

The Minnesota Educational Policy Fellowship Program

In partnership with the

Institute of Educational Leadership
Washington, D.C.

EPFP FELLOWS:

Past Minnesota participants have included:

- PK-12 superintendents, principals, deans, program directors, managers and curriculum consultants
- Higher education leadership and senior level administrative staff
- Higher education faculty
- State of Minnesota legislative staff
- MN Department of Human Service directors
- Attorneys
- Research associates
- Education consultants
- Higher education doctoral students



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PROGRAM MISSION AND DESCRIPTION

The Educational Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) is a dynamic eight month experience dedicated to enhancing participant leadership skills for working in diverse organizations in a variety of sectors, developing greater knowledge of policy processes while providing multiple opportunities to discuss relevant current policy issues. The program also provides an opportunity for building expanded local, state and national networks of support and information.

The EPFP in Minnesota is located within the College of Education and Human Development's Department of Educational Policy and Administration at the University of Minnesota and includes strong support from Hamline University and the association of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. Nationally, EPFP is sponsored by the Institute for Educational Leadership (IEL) in Washington D.C. The IEL EPFP program consists of an extensive network of state programs, which since its inception in 1964, have produced more than 6,000 alumni. Minnesota EPFP recently began its fourth decade of operation and has a network of more than 360 alumni representing a wide variety of public and private organizations, agencies and institutions.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The Minnesota EPFP has several program components including an opening retreat, two dinner seminars held each month to discuss an array of education and human services policy issues with subject experts, expanded sessions on topics and issues which provide more in-depth discussion and analysis, a day at the state capital, and ---new this year--- two "Policy Breakfast" sessions sponsored by the College of Education and Human Development and participation in the Minnesota Policy Analysis Conference. Fellows also attend two national meetings sponsored by IEL- a fall Leadership Forum which will be held in Scottsdale, AZ, and a spring Washington D.C. Policy Conference. The national conferences provide opportunities for EPFP fellows to meet and interact with participants from other EPFP sites located throughout the U.S.

This year Minnesota's EPFP program begins on October 8, 2008 and concludes May, 2009. Our program theme is "*The World is Here: Cross Currents for Leadership and Policy in a Global Society*".

PROGRAM COSTS:

The program costs to sponsoring agencies are \$2700 plus travel, lodging, and any further related costs for the two national meetings in Scottsdale and Washington D.C. The program fee covers all local programming activities, including the opening retreat, dinner seminars, extended sessions, two College of Education and Human Development sponsored Policy Breakfasts, and the registration costs for the two national meetings.

PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS:

Application Deadline: September 15, 2008

Application requirements and access to a program application form are available through our website at <http://www.education.umn.edu/EDPA/EPFP/html>

Basic requirements for program participants are an earned bachelor's degree, full-time professional employment, leadership experience, and the endorsement and financial support of the applicant's employer organization. Completed applications should be mailed to:

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