

CLA CIVIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

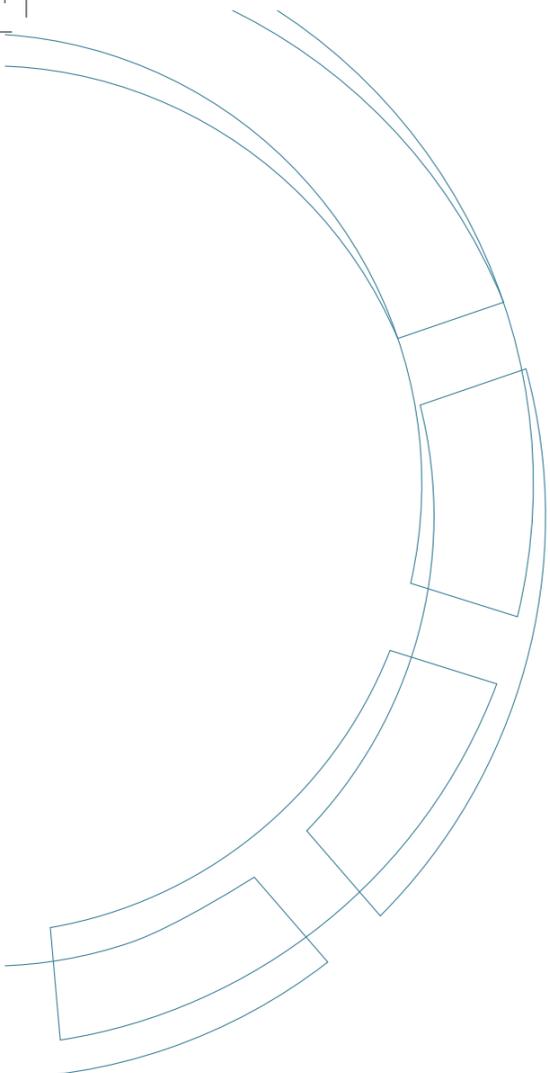
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

A powerful six-month interdisciplinary leadership development program



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CHICAGO

Office of Civic
Engagement



“CLA put us in the mix with thoughtful instructors who provided tools, insights, case studies, and interactive exercises that deepened my understanding of what it means to lead and foster leadership in the context of our dynamic city. CLA was a truly unique and enlightening experience.”

Erica Staley, CLA'18
Director of Operations, Manufacturing Renaissance

Program Benefits

Robert S. Rivkin, Deputy Mayor, City of Chicago



Provides Essential Leadership Knowledge and Skills

Taught by world class faculty from the University of Chicago's professional schools, fellows engage in a six-month interdisciplinary curriculum that exposes them to essential leadership frameworks and applications.



Builds Network of Civic Leaders

Specifically designed to strengthen connections between Chicago nonprofit and government leaders, the Civic Leadership Academy provides opportunities for its fellows to create links for future impact. Alumni programming allows fellows across cohorts to continuously expand their networks and continue learning.



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ALUMNI AND COUNTING

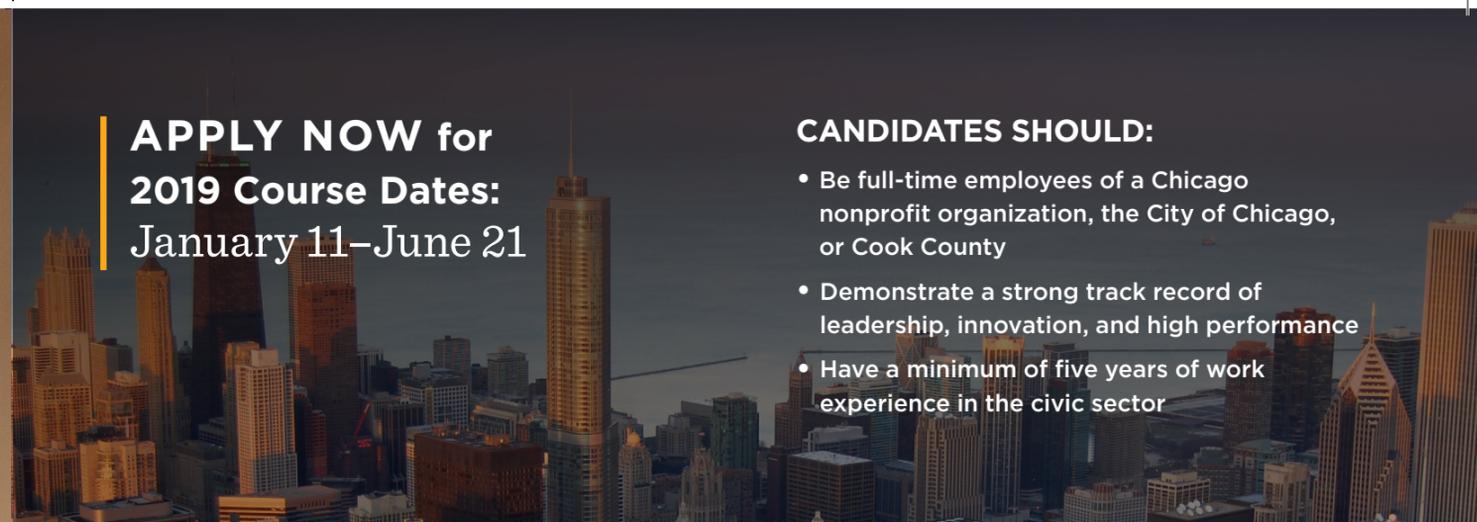
“The courses were focused, detailed, and taught by amazing professors. The international component was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to grow personally and professionally.”

Brendan Daley, CLA'15
Director of Strategy & Sustainability, Chicago Park District





Toni Preckwinkle, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners



**APPLY NOW for
2019 Course Dates:
January 11–June 21**

CANDIDATES SHOULD:

- Be full-time employees of a Chicago nonprofit organization, the City of Chicago, or Cook County
- Demonstrate a strong track record of leadership, innovation, and high performance
- Have a minimum of five years of work experience in the civic sector



Delivers Distinctive and Chicago-based Programming

In addition to courses taught by world class UChicago faculty and civic practitioners, the CLA curriculum includes original Chicago-based case studies to uncover core lessons about civic leadership in an applied setting.



Develops Perspective Through Local and Global Experimentation and Observation

Fellows hone leadership skills by traveling abroad to learn how leaders in a different context overcome obstacles.

130

HOURS OF CURRICULUM

20+

FACULTY MEMBERS



Fosters Learning and Encourages Curiosity

In addition to receiving a Certificate in Civic Leadership from Harris Public Policy, each fellow's organization receives a \$2,000 stipend to take an additional course at the University of Chicago. CLA fellows also have access to Harris' global alumni community, offering unique, lifelong networking opportunities.

Successful Civic Leadership Academy

fellows are intellectually curious, reflective, ambitious and innovative, open and flexible, and committed to positive change.

Job titles for nonprofit candidates

could include chief executive officer, chief operating officer, executive director, senior administrator, associate director, deputy director, senior program manager, and regional director.

Job titles for government candidates

could include deputy commissioner, assistant commissioner, director, budget director, and chief of staff.

Apply by October 10

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Completed online application
- Supervisor nomination
- Letter of recommendation

Cost: \$8,000

» Financial aid is available.

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“The opportunity to travel as a cohort to India with CLA transformed our understanding of civic leadership. We analyzed the dynamics of the government and non-profit worlds and were inspired daily by civic leaders, all while navigating pivotal new relationships with each other and the city of Delhi.”

Christine Rolan, CLA'18
Deputy Commissioner,
Chicago Department of Family and Support Services



Faculty



William Howell, Faculty Director, CLA; Chair, Department of Political Science; Sydney Stein Professor of American Politics, Harris Public Policy

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Chris Berry
William J. and Alicia Townsend Friedman Professor, Harris Public Policy; Academic Director, Center for Municipal Finance



Heather Caruso
Adjunct Associate Professor of Behavioral Science, Chicago Booth



Kerwin Charles
Former Interim Dean, Harris Public Policy; Edwin and Betty L. Bergman Distinguished Service Professor



Cathy Cohen
David and Mary Winton Green Professor of Political Science



Harry L. Davis
Roger L. and Rachel M. Goetz Distinguished Service Professor of Creative Management, Chicago Booth



Daniel Diermeier
Provost, The University of Chicago



Adam Green
Associate Professor of American History and the College; Faculty Affiliate, Center for the Study of Race, Politics, and Culture



Will Howell
Faculty Director, CLA; Chair, Department of Political Science; Sydney Stein Professor of American Politics, Harris Public Policy



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Associate Vice President, Office of Civic Engagement



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John P. and Lillian A. Gould Professor of Behavioral Science, Chicago Booth

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Chicago Historian



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Director, Civic Engagement, Microsoft Chicago



Toni Preckwinkle
President, Cook County Board of Commissioners



Julia Stasch
President, MacArthur Foundation



Eric Weinheimer
President and CEO, Forefront

The Civic Leadership Academy meets on Fridays, every other week for six months from January to June. Additionally, the program includes a one-week global practicum and a civic practitioner leadership series.

CURRICULUM

The CLA core curriculum is organized around four modules of leadership:

I. Foundations

Classes: Discovering Leadership Capacity; Defining Civic Leadership; Understanding Victimhood and the Ethics of Leadership

II. Goals

Classes: When is Change Possible?; Using Data to Advance Policy Objectives; Defining Goals in Government and Nonprofit Sectors; Recovering Goals (and Mission) During Times of Crisis

III. Strategy & Tactics

Classes: Disrupting and Keeping Power and Negotiation

IV. Communication

Classes: Commitment, Persuasion, and Active Listening; Communicating Across Difference; Performance and Storytelling

CIVIC PRACTITIONER LEADERSHIP SERIES

Through the monthly Civic Practitioner Leadership Series, fellows and CLA alumni learn from leading civic practitioners in Chicago. These sessions are an opportunity to explore practical applications to the themes of leadership established in the classroom.

GLOBAL PRACTICUM

Fellows travel abroad to meet and learn from civic practitioners from the government and non-profit sectors. During this week, Fellows are asked to collect data on the core themes of leadership: what it is, what it isn't, and what it requires. Fellows recognize leadership challenges and strategies, and learn how to translate lessons learned to Chicago.

PARTNERS

University of Chicago

- Office of Civic Engagement
- School of Social Service Administration
- Chicago Booth School of Business
- University of Chicago Law School
- Institute of Politics
- Graham School of Continuing Liberal and Professional Studies

Nonprofit and Government

- LISC Chicago
- Civic Consulting Alliance
- City of Chicago
- Cook County

FUNDERS

- Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust
- Microsoft
- JPMorgan Chase
- Robert R. McCormick Foundation

“The Civic Leadership Academy has shown me powerful ways to become a more informed, resilient and creative civic leader. As fellows, we explored complex problems and collaborated to build incredible professional and personal relationships to achieve what’s best for the future of Chicago.”

Abin Kuriakose, CLA’18

Program Manager, ChicagoNEXT, World Business Chicago

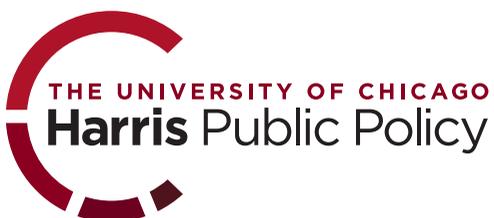


“At a time when people need to think creatively about social change, the Civic Leadership Academy distills the very best of the University and City of Chicago. While analytical in focus, CLA fosters open and honest communication across the government and non-profit sectors. While attentive to the conceptual and theoretical underpinnings of leadership, CLA pushes scholars, civic practitioners, and the fellows themselves to think critically about practical applications. In the crowded space of leadership training initiatives, there simply is nothing like CLA.”

William Howell

CLA Faculty Director, Sydney Stein Professor in American Politics at the Harris School of Public Policy, and Chair of the Department of Political Science at the University of Chicago

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