



2023 Leadership Institute Application

Please note that this PDF version of the 2023 Leadership Institute Application is for reference only. Please submit your responses through the [online form on the Fellowship survey platform](#).

1. Are you applying as a... *

- Mandela Washington Fellow
- Leadership Institute Partner

[If "Mandela Washington Fellow" is selected] Please note that this application form is for **U.S.-based** post-secondary educational institutions, including accredited colleges and universities, as well as non-governmental organizations, that are applying to host Fellows during the 2023 Mandela Washington Fellowship. If you wish to apply to be a 2023 Fellow, more information is available on the [Mandela Washington Fellowship website](#).

Section 1: Institute Themes

2. Please Indicate which Leadership Institute track you are applying to host. *

- Leadership in Business
- Leadership in Civic Engagement
- Leadership in Public Management

3. The U.S. Department of State and IREX will place Fellows at Institutes based on Fellow interests in the sectors below. The goal is to place each Fellow at an educational institution that has particular expertise/resources that match their interests. For this purpose, please select up to five subthemes from the list below in which your institution has expert faculty or strong campus/community resources. * *[Checkboxes limited to 5 selections]*

- Agriculture/Rural Development
- Architecture/Real Estate
- Arts/Music/Culture/Fashion
- Business & Entrepreneurship
- Civic Education
- Civil/Human Rights
- Climate Change
- Community Development
- Countering Violent Extremism
- Democracy and Governance
- Disability Rights/Issues
- Education



- Energy
- Engineering
- Environment/Conservation
- Gender-Based Violence
- Government
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Journalism
- Legal Practice/Justice
- LGBTQI Issues
- Manufacturing
- Marketing/Advertising
- Micro-Finance and Micro-Lending
- Nutrition
- Peacebuilding/Conflict Resolution
- Policy Advocacy
- Public Health
- Public Works (Utilities/Water/Waste Management)
- Religion
- Technology
- Transportation
- Vocational Training and Workforce Development
- Women's and Girls' Issues
- Youth

Section 2: Proposal Contact Information

4. Institutional Information.

If you are submitting a joint application with another institution/organization, please designate one official entity as the lead administrator of the subaward and list that institution's information here.

*Then click "Add Another" to enter the required information for the secondary applicant. **

- Name of Institution/Organization: * [Text Box]
- Name of Primary Contact: * [Text Box]
- Title: * [Text Box]
- Department: * [Text Box]
- Telephone: * [Text Box]
- Email: * [Text Box]
- Alternate Email: [Text Box]
- Mailing Address:
 - Address Line 1: * [Text Box]
 - Address Line 2: [Text Box]
 - City: * [Text Box]

State: * [Text Box]

ZIP Code: * [Text Box]

How would you describe your institution's campus setting? *

If you need help choosing from the options below, please visit the [National Center for Education Statistics searchable database](#) to look up your institution.

- Urban
- Suburban
- Town
- Rural

Please select your institution type: *

- Public educational institution (non-land-grant)
- Public educational institution (land-grant)
- Private educational institution
- Community college
- Non-governmental organization
- Non-profit
- Other: (please specify)

What type of degree does your institution provide? *

- 2-year degree
- 4-year degree
- Non-degree granting organization
- Other [Textbox]

Is your institution recognized as any of the following types of minority-serving institutions (MSIs)? (check all that apply): * [checkboxes, unlimited]

- Historically Black college or university (HBCU)
- Hispanic-serving institution (HSI)
- Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU)
- Asian American and Pacific Islander-serving institution (AANAPISI)
- Tribal college or university (TCU)
- American Indian and Alaskan Native-serving institution (AIANSI)
- Religiously affiliated organization
- Women's college or university
- Does not identify as an MSI
- Other (please specify) [Text Box]

[“Add another” action]

If you are submitting a joint application with another institution/organization, please click “Add Another” and enter the required information for the other applicant.

5. Name and Title of Academic Director: * [Text Box]

Email of Academic Director: * [Text Box]

Please upload the resume/CV for your proposed Academic Director. * [File upload]

File uploads may not work on some mobile devices.

Will the responsibilities of this position be shared with a Co-Academic Director? *

Yes

No

5a. *[If “Yes” was selected above]*

Name and Title of Co-Academic Director: * [Text Box]

Email of Co-Academic Director: * [Text Box]

Please upload the resume/CV for your proposed Co-Academic Director. *

[File upload]

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6. Name and Title of Administrative Director: * [Text Box]

Email of Administrative Director: * [Text Box]

Please upload resume/CV for your proposed Administrative Director. * [File upload]

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Will the responsibilities of this position be shared with a Co-Administrative Director? *

Yes

No

6a. *[If “Yes” was selected above]*

Name and Title of Co-Administrative Director: * [Text Box]

Email of Co-Administrative Director: * [Text Box]

Please upload the resume/CV for your proposed Co-Administrative Director. *

[File upload]

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7. Name and Title of Leadership Manager: * [Text Box]

Email of Leadership Manager: * [Text Box]

Please upload resume/CV for your proposed Leadership Manager. *

[File upload]

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8. How did you hear about the Mandela Washington Fellowship's 2023 Request for Leadership Institute Applications? * [multiselect checkboxes]

- The Mandela Washington Fellowship website
- My organization previously served as a Mandela Washington Fellowship Institute Partner
- My organization was previously involved with the Mandela Washington Fellowship in a different way (please specify) [Text Box]
- Other [Text Box]

Section 3: Institute Support and Logistics

Please make sure to reference university faculty, industry experts, community partners, and other local resources specific to your thematic track where relevant.

9. Institute Staffing Plan:

*Describe institutional support that will be present for the implementation of the 2023 Mandela Washington Fellowship.**

- Faculty/staff from the primary organizing department [Text Box]
- Faculty/staff from other institutional departments [Text Box]
- Senior administrators [Text Box]
- Community leaders, local businesses, local non-profit organizations [Text Box]
- Campus/student organizations [Text Box]
- Other [Text Box]
- What supporting staff will be able to assist the Institute Directors and Fellows?
[Essay: 250-word limit]

Applicants should plan to include a broad range of faculty/staff and invited guests to offer Fellows Institute programming that incorporates a diverse range of U.S. perspectives on U.S.-Africa strategic topics and demonstrates diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) and access throughout the Leadership Institute.

10. Please attach a letter of support from your university or organization's senior leadership. *

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[File upload]

11. Institute Transportation: *

Select the proposed transportation options that will be utilized for Institute programming. Please also include information on how transportation is accessible to Fellows with disabilities. [Multi-select check box]

In order to meet the stated priorities regarding inclusive programming for all Fellows, transportation should be able to meet a wide range of needs, including Fellows who require ADA-compliant transportation needs.

- Public transportation (e.g., bus, metro) [Text Box]
- Campus transportation (e.g., campus bus system) [Text Box]
- University or college-sponsored fleet (i.e., buses or vans that can be rented from your institution) [Text Box]
- Chartered buses (i.e., buses rented from an external vendor) [Text Box]
- Taxis/Ubers/Lyft [Text Box]
- Other [Text Box]

Select the transportation options that will be available to Fellows in their free time. Please indicate the ease with which Fellows can access areas of interest and shopping. Please also include information on how transportation is accessible to Fellows with disabilities. [Multi-select check box]

- Public transportation (e.g., bus, metro) [Text Box]
- Campus transportation (e.g., campus bus system) [Text Box]
- University or college-sponsored fleet (i.e., buses or vans that can be rented from your institution) [Text Box]
- Chartered buses (i.e., buses rented from an external vendor) [Text Box]
- Taxis/Ubers/Lyft [Text Box]
- Other [Text Box]

Please confirm that your transportation budget includes all airport transfers (from the nearest international airport when Fellows arrive and to the airport when Fellows depart for the Summit) and all transportation to and from site visits, cultural activities, and any other required program activities. *

- Confirmed

12. Institute Housing: *

Select the proposed housing option for Fellows. Given that Fellows are mid-career professionals and due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, single rooms for Fellows (defined as an individual bedroom with a door) are recommended for public health reasons but not required. Private or shared bathrooms and common spaces are permissible. Should conditions change and compromise Fellows' health and safety, single rooms may be required. Single rooms must be available for Fellows in isolation.

- Single dorm-style rooms with private bathrooms [Text Box]
- Single dorm-style rooms with shared bathrooms. Indicate the total number of Fellows and other users that will share each bathroom. [Text Box]

- Private room/single bedroom in apartment/suite-style housing with one bathroom. Indicate the number of Fellows housed in each apartment/suite. [Text Box]
- Private room in apartment/suite-style housing with multiple bathrooms. Indicate the number of Fellows housed in each apartment/suite and the number of Fellows that will share each bathroom. [Text Box]
- Single hotel room [Text Box]
- Other [Text Box]

If your institution is unable to offer single room housing, please indicate how you will accommodate Fellows in isolation. *

[Essay]

Describe shared common spaces, provisions for laundry and cleaning, and any other relevant housing features or amenities. *

In order to meet the stated priorities regarding inclusive programming for all Fellows, housing should be able to meet a wide range of needs, including Fellows who require ADA-compliant housing and Fellows who identify as non-binary.

[Essay]

Please confirm that you will be able to provide all necessary bedding, towels, and basic sundries within your budget. *

- Confirmed

13. Institute Meals: *

Select the proposed meal options proposed for Fellows and describe how each option will fit into the overall plan (for example, approximately half of the meals will be provided through a campus meal plan). Meals are typically provided through a combination of various means including campus meal cards, group meals, and monies provided directly to support grocery shopping or eating in local restaurants (either through the institution or via an IREX-provided debit card).*

[multi-select check box]

- Campus dining halls, accessible with a campus meal card [Text Box]
- Catered/group meals [Text Box]
- Stipend for groceries and local restaurants [Text Box]
- Other [Text Box]

Describe the kitchen facilities Fellows will be able to access, if applicable. *

- Fully equipped kitchen, including cooking and eating utensils, in a common area.
- Limited kitchen in a common area. Describe the appliances and utensils that are available:
[Text Box]
- Fully equipped kitchen, including cooking and eating utensils, in an apartment/suite.
- Limited kitchen in an apartment/suite. Describe the appliances and utensils that are available:
[Text Box]

- Kitchen facilities are not available.

13a. [If “Fully equipped kitchen, including cooking and eating utensils, in a common area” or “Limited kitchen in a common area” are selected above.] Will other groups (who are not Mandela Washington Fellows) have access to the kitchen?*

- Yes
 No

Please provide any additional information about kitchen facilities. If your institution plans to house Fellows in different locations throughout the Institute, please provide details on where kitchen facilities are available in each housing location.

[Essay]

Describe how Fellows will be able to get to a grocery store

[Essay]

14. Fellow Health*

Mandela Washington Fellows are covered under the U.S. Department of State’s Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges (ASPE) (<http://usdos.sevencorners.com/>), but a university health insurance or benefits plan to supplement ASPE may be included in the budget as an allowable cost (ASPE is considered secondary insurance if other benefits apply).

Will Fellows be covered by a university health insurance plan or university health services? *

- Yes
 No

Please describe your staffing plan and your Institute’s ability to support Fellow health issues and medical emergencies. *

[Essay]

Please confirm your willingness to support Fellow physical and mental health issues and medical emergencies, and adjust plans as needed should the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic or other emergency affect programming. *

- Confirmed

15. The Mandela Washington Fellowship strongly promotes the inclusion of Fellows with disabilities and seeks partner organizations that are committed to ensuring a high quality, inclusive program that will allow for a full and engaging experience for all Fellows. Please discuss your team's experience and capacity to provide accommodations for Fellows with disabilities during your Institute. Please also explain the support your institution can provide to your team to fully integrate individuals with disabilities into your programming, campus, and community. Direct program costs associated with disability accommodations will be paid directly by IREX and are not expected to be included in subaward budget,

although cost share is allowable and strongly encouraged. IREX will coordinate and pay directly for any accommodation needs during the Summit. *

[Essay]

Section 4: Institutional Resources and Past Experience

16. Does your institution have experience designing and implementing short-term customized academic programs focused on experiential learning for adult learners? *

- Yes
 No

16a. *[If "Yes" was selected above]* Which of the following programs has your institution implemented? (select all that apply) *

- Community Solutions Program
 Fulbright Programs
 International Visitor Leadership (IVLP) Program
 Mandela Washington Fellowship
 Study of the United States Institutes (SUSI) Program
 Young Leaders of the Americas Initiative (YLAI) Program
 Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) Program
 Other [Text Box]

16b. *[If "Yes" was selected above]* Describe how your institution will use this experience to implement a Mandela Washington Fellowship Leadership Institute. *

[Essay: 250-word limit]

16c. *[If "No" was selected above]* Describe other relevant experience your institution will use to implement a Mandela Washington Fellowship Leadership Institute. *

[Essay: 500-word limit]

17. Do you plan to host another short-term academic exchange in summer 2023? (if status is unconfirmed, respond yes.) *

- Yes
 No

17a. *[if "Yes" was selected above]* What program(s) and approximate dates? *

[Text Box]

18. While it is anticipated that Fellows will learn from their hosts, it is also important that hosts learn from the Fellows. Please indicate how you anticipate your campus and community would benefit from hosting these leaders. *

[Essay: 500-word limit]

Section 5: Acknowledgement and Commitment to Collaborative Programming Development

19. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, selected Institute Partners must demonstrate the flexibility and responsiveness to adjust planning and programming as necessary to meet the needs of the Fellowship and individual Fellows. If selected as an Institute Partner, please confirm your institution's willingness to remain flexible and responsive as outlined above? *

Confirmed

Section 6: Other Required Documents

20. Please upload the following documents:

- Institute Narrative * [File upload]

Please remember to use the required template. File uploads may not work on some mobile devices. Max file size: 50 MB.

- Budget Worksheet as an Excel file (.xls or .xlsx) * [File upload]

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- Budget Narrative * [File upload]

Please remember to use the required template. File uploads may not work on some mobile devices. Max file size: 50 MB.

- NICRA (if applicable) [File upload]

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21. Please note any other relevant information regarding your application that was not addressed above for consideration by the review panel.

[Essay: 250-word limit]

[Submit Form]

Thank You Page

Thank You!

Thank you for completing the 2023 Mandela Washington Fellowship Institute Partner application. All complete applications submitted by October 12, 2022, will be considered. IREX anticipates communicating with applicants about their application status the week of November 14, 2022, from the MWF2023@irex.org email address.

Please review your responses and download the PDF below for your records.

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