



NNAAC Transformative Leaders Fellowship Application 2023-2024

Please read the description of the program closely. If you have any questions, please email Mariam Bazzi at mbazzi@accesscommunity.org. Answer the questions as thoroughly as possible, and to the best of your ability. Please complete your application by July 17th, 2023 at 11:59 PM.

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About the NNAAC Transformative Leaders Fellowship Program

The NNAAC Fellowship program is a leadership development training program that has been developed through the National Network for Arab American Communities. The program is designed for Arab American undergraduate juniors or seniors or graduate level college students, or recent graduates. Fellows will be expected to work 16 hours per week in an Arab American human services/arts & culture organization, and will be given opportunities to learn about all aspects of a non-profit organization, including administration, grant writing, fundraising, communications, community engagement, and service delivery, among other things. Fellows will be supervised on the ground at their host organization, as well as have a NNAAC Supervisor (Mariam Bazzi) who will oversee fellows for orientation, monthly curriculum meetings and deliverables, Leadership Days in DC, and more. The Fellowship program will run from September, 2023 – June, 2024, and each fellow will receive a \$6,000 stipend throughout their service in three installments.

Fellows will be required to attend an orientation for the program in Dearborn, Michigan during September/October 2023, date TBD, as well as Arab American Leadership Days in D.C. in May/June 2024. In addition, Fellows will be required to participate in regular monthly trainings offered electronically by NNAAC with their NNAAC supervisor (different than their supervisor at their chosen organization). Fellows will also be required to work with their host organization on developing a professional development plan during their fellowship, obtaining additional training opportunities, and receiving important professional support for them to achieve their goals. Fellows are required to develop a signature project to address a community need by the completion of their fellowship.

Primary Outcomes:

1. To develop an interest in, knowledge of and commitment to working in the non-profit sector while gaining access to the tools and skills pertinent in becoming successful leaders
2. To develop competencies surrounding the social and cultural issues facing Arab American communities
3. To provide service and administrative support to the host organization

If you are interested in becoming a Fellow, please complete this Fellowship application thoroughly.

Additionally, please include a resume and one letter of recommendation from a past or present faculty, staff, or community member, have them email the letter to Mariam Bazzi at mbazzi@accesscommunity.org by the application deadline. Email your resume to Mariam at mbazzi@accesscommunity.org as well.