

# The ANCOR Foundation's Leadership Academy

## Why Apply?



The Leadership Academy was instrumental in my professional growth and development. Not only did I gain knowledge in a variety of areas, I was able to connect with fellow ANCOR members, and I found a home for myself on ANCOR's Government Relations Committee. The Leadership Academy is structured, but still provides flexibility and encourages participants to identify and pursue areas they are passionate about. I would recommend this to anyone looking to develop leadership skills or kickstart their leadership journey.

—Nikki Storebo, Senior Program Director, Mt. Olivet Rolling Acres & 2020 Leadership Academy Graduate

## What is the Leadership Academy?

Building on its previous leadership development programs, the ANCOR Foundation launched the Leadership Academy in 2017 to nurture emerging leaders who are building their careers in services and supports for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD).

Over the course of two years, the Foundation provides training and mentoring opportunities to support mid-career professionals in cultivating their areas of expertise and thought leadership to build influence and reputation in the national I/DD community as the next generation of leaders.



*Leadership Academy participants at the 2019 ANCOR Annual Conference in Portland, OR*

## Who is It For?

The Leadership Academy is best suited for individuals who have at least five years of experience in the field (with at least one year of supervisory experience) and are looking to pursue (or are new to) executive and management positions in organizations that supports people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

## How Much Does It Cost to Participate?

If accepted, fees for the two-year program are \$1,500 per participant.

Because of the significant value for the program, the Leadership Academy is only available to ANCOR members at this time.

## What Do I Get by Participating?

OPPORTUNITY	VALUE
Six (6) bi-monthly ANCOR Foundation-hosted 60-90 minute webinars led by subject matter experts	\$834
Up to two rounds of Mentoring Circles: small group mentoring over six-month period with discussion facilitated by industry leaders	\$600-1,200
Option to participate in two complimentary Renee L. Pietrangelo Leadership Forum	\$500
Option to participate in a capstone research project in support of an ANCOR-led initiative in Year 2 (your byline on ANCOR white paper or research brief)	Priceless
Four complimentary registrations for any ANCOR-hosted webinars (in addition to Academy webinars described above)	\$556
Dedicated peer support group + access to Academy coaches	Priceless

## How Can I Apply?

We will begin accepting applications for our third cohort on October 1, 2021. Applications for this cohort will be due no later than 11:59 pm PST on December 15, 2021.

Applicants who are accepted into the program will be notified in February 2022. The program will begin with an orientation in March 2022 and participants in the third cohort will be celebrated during a graduation ceremony at the 2024 ANCOR Annual Conference.

**[To begin your application, visit the Leadership Academy application form today.](#)**

## Where Can I Direct Questions?

If you have questions about the ANCOR Foundation's Leadership Academy not addressed in this document, please email Gabrielle Sedor, ANCOR Foundation Director, at [gshedor@ancor.org](mailto:gshedor@ancor.org).