NEW Leadership™ New Jersey Application

NEW Leadership™ New Jersey is a program hosted by the Center for American Women and Politics (CAWP) at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey to educate, empower, and encourage college women to become politically active and to take on leadership roles.

The NEW Leadership™ summer institute is a non-partisan, six-day residential program that will take place June 9-14, 2016 at the Eagleton Institute of Politics in New Brunswick, New Jersey. During the summer institute, students meet women leaders, learn about women in American politics, and develop and practice leadership skills through panel discussions, workshops, and hands-on projects. After the summer institute, participants are encouraged to continue to develop their leadership skills. NEW Leadership™ alumnae will be invited to return to CAWP for special events and programs.

Cost
NEW Leadership™ is supported by donations from corporate sponsors and individuals that cover some of the program costs. Each participating college and university is asked to pay a $500 program fee per student. Housing, food, and all program materials are provided for the full six days of the program. There is no direct cost to the students.

Applicants are required to provide contact information for a faculty or staff member at their school who will agree to assist them in obtaining funding for the NEW Leadership™ program fee. A limited number of scholarships will be available to students who are unable to obtain sponsorship from their schools.

Eligibility
NEW Leadership™ New Jersey is open to undergraduate students enrolled for the 2015-2016 academic year in any New Jersey college or university, as well as New Jersey residents enrolled in out-of-state schools. CAWP is committed to including women from diverse socioeconomic, ethnic and racial backgrounds in each NEW Leadership™ program. We strongly encourage women of color, nontraditional college women, and students majoring in fields outside political science to apply.

Commitment
NEW Leadership™ New Jersey participants are expected to attend all summer institute sessions and live on campus during the entire program June 9-14, 2016. If you are accepted you will be required to acknowledge and agree to meet these requirements.

Accepted students are required to confirm their intention to attend, at which point the school will be billed for the $500 program fee. Rutgers University cannot offer a refund in the event that a student does not attend the program.

Applications must be received by Wednesday March 30, 2016
Applications by mail may be sent to:
Sasha Patterson, NEW Leadership™ Project Director
Center for American Women and Politics
191 Ryders Lane
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08901
or
e-mail the application in .pdf or .doc format to sashap@eagleton.rutgers.edu
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Please print neatly and answer each question completely

Name: ___________________________________________________________

College/university: ____________________________________________________

Permanent address: ____________________________________________________

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Campus address (if different from your permanent address):

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Notification should be sent to: ___CAMPUS address  ____PERMANENT address

Home phone: _______________________   Cell phone: _________________________

E-mail address: ________________________       2nd email:____________________________

Class year:  ____________________________________

Major/minor: __________________________________________________________________

Academic areas of interest: ______________________________________________________

Personal Background:  (Note: Completing this section is voluntary.)

Age:
[ ] 18-25       [ ] 26-35       [ ] 36 - 45       [ ] over 45

Ethnicity:
[ ] African American     [ ] Asian     [ ] Caucasian     [ ] Latina     [ ] Other

List any political science or women’s studies courses that you have taken. Include the semesters during which classes were taken (ex: Fall ’15).
List any honors or awards received, as well as leadership positions attained.

**Essay questions** (attach additional pages if necessary)

1. Describe the political or community activities and/or organizations you have been involved with. Which is the most important to you and why?

2. Why do you wish to participate in NEW Leadership™ New Jersey? What do you expect to get out of participating in this program?
References
Provide the names, titles, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses for three references.
(At least one reference must be a college faculty or staff member.)

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Please provide the contact information for a faculty or staff member who has agreed to sponsor you or assist you in obtaining funding for the program fee:

____ The following individual has agreed to assist me in obtaining funding to cover the $500 NEW Leadership™ program fee.

Name of faculty contact________________________________________________________

Title _______________________________________________________________________

Phone number________________________________ email__________________________

____ I have not been able to obtain a commitment for funding. I would like to be considered for a NEW Leadership™ scholarship in the event that I am accepted to the program.

So that we can improve our program outreach, please tell us where you heard about NEW Leadership™.

NEW Leadership™ New Jersey participants are expected to attend all summer institute sessions and live in the residence halls during the entire program June 9-14, 2016. In completing this application, you acknowledge that you are aware of these requirements and agree, if accepted, to make every effort to meet this commitment.

Applicant’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: