



White House Leadership Development Program: How to Apply to the Program

Video Transcript

The White House Leadership Development Program presents: An overview on how to apply to the program.

So, what is the White House Leadership Program, otherwise known as WHLDP? It's a one-year placement program sponsored by the Executive Office of the President. The program provides:

1. A broad federal perspective on high-priority challenges and access to senior decision-makers
2. Enterprise leadership development sessions, and
3. Skill development through a cross-agency lens

Today, we'll meet Anderson and follow along her journey through the WHLDP application process. Anderson would like to apply to the White House Leadership Development Program because...

She's looking for:

1. Experience working on projects outside her career field at the Office of Management and Budget or General Services Administration
2. Development opportunities – WHLDP offers development sessions focusing on building enterprise leadership
3. Impact – through the WHLDP, you can play an active role in cross-cutting initiatives such as Cross-Agency Priority Goals and Center of Government Initiatives. And,
4. Networking – you can build a community of leaders across government

So, does Anderson qualify?

- ✓ Anderson is a GS-15, or equivalent
- ✓ Anderson receives all exceeds expectations or higher in her annual ratings, or equivalent
- ✓ And finally, Anderson was nominated by her agency

You might be wondering, what makes a successful candidate? Someone who is a:

- Network builder
- Skilled communicator
- Solution developer
- Strategic planner
- And a team player

Plus, someone who's:

- Resilient
- Motivated
- Self-aware

- Collaborative
- And, agile

Here, you can take a look at the projected application timeline. Call for nominations typically begin in February. Agency nominations are due in May. After Fellows are selected, onboarding for the program begins in October.

For more information on the White House Leadership Development Program, visit pic.gov/whldp, or email whldp@gsa.gov. To apply, contact your agency's leadership development program team.