

Leaders in Equitable Evaluation and Diversity (LEEAD) Program: Scholar Applications to be Released in March

LEEAD is a premier program of the Expanding the Bench® initiative led by The Annie E. Casey Foundation's Research, Evaluation, Evidence and Data (REED) Unit. Expanding the Bench aims to increase the number of underrepresented racial and ethnic minority researchers in the evaluation field.

The evaluation pipeline-training program will be welcoming a new cohort of 20 LEEAD Scholars. Application information for the second class of 2017/18 LEEAD Scholars will be released in early March 2017. LEEAD Scholars will start the program in August 2017.

The program aims to develop talented, diverse thinkers and leaders to improve our knowledge base and contribute to better science and social innovation in the field of evaluation. It involves three essential components:

- Ongoing mentorship from senior experts and peers in evaluation
- Online-based evaluation coursework, including a core professional development course
- A residency at a research organization, think tank, foundation or private firm=

We are seeking underrepresented minority scholars who have 4-8 years of experience in research and/or evaluation in criminal justice, psychology, public policy, public health, mental health, social psychology, sociology, economics, social work or related fields, with at least 3 years of that experience occurring post-doc.

Full eligibility requirements and application process information will be shared via our Expanding the Bench Listserv and on the [Casey website](#). Please share widely with your network; if you know of someone who would like to join the listserv please contact Ji Won Shon at JShon@aecf.org.