

The **HACU Institute for Professional Development and Leadership** offers the *Enlace* Mid-Level Leadership Program to help prepare the next generation of leaders at Hispanic-Serving Institutions and other higher education institutions. Research studies have shown the importance of providing more support and individually tailored training for today's middle managers to become highly effective senior leaders of tomorrow.

The *Enlace* Mid-Level Leadership Program is a six-month leadership development program deisgned for college and university professional personnel. Applications and nominations to the program are accepted each spring. The program begins in the fall and workshops are held in conjunction with the HACU Annual Conference, the program concludes the following spring during the Capitol Forum.

Who Should Apply/Nominations

Mid-level leaders are defined as academic or non-academic support personnel within the structure of higher education organizations. Examples include academic department chairpersons, education program directors, student support directors, coordinators, team leaders, etc.

Main Topics Areas

Several topics will be covered during the six-month program. They include academic and student affairs management, regional institutional accreditation, effective data utilization, and higher education advocacy. Participants will also interact with professional search firm partners.

Timeline

July 31, 2025 Extended Application/nomination deadline

August 15 Application review/selection

August 15 Final selection and notification of

program participants

August 30 Program participant payment deadline

September 1 - 30 Program orientation and distribution of

program materials



For more information and cost, scan the QR code or visit hacu.net.

Program Format

The scheduling format is structured as follows:

- Seminar 1 is held prior to the HACU Annual Conference on Nov. 1, 2025. Participants attend the conference as part of the program requirements. They also will complete eight, one-hour online sessions in November, December, February, March, and April.
- Participants complete the last in-person session and attend the National Capitol Forum on Hispanic Higher Education held in Washington, D.C. in the spring of April 2026.
- Participants earn a certificate upon completion. A graduation ceremony will take place at the final session.

Participant Selection Criteria

Professional Experience: At least five years of full-time higher education experience.

Educational Background: Completion of at least a bachelor's degree.

Supervisory Experience: Currently serving in a supervisory position or two years of previous supervisory experience.

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