



Connect Florida's Statewide Leadership Institute

The mission of Connect Florida is to be an active network of young leaders seeking to develop personally and professionally, while impacting and connecting with each other, their communities and the State of Florida.



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A program of Leadership Florida, Connect Florida is working to accomplish its mission through the establishment of the Connect Florida Statewide Leadership Institute. The Institute targets young professionals between the ages of 21 and 35 who have already demonstrated their leadership skills in their chosen profession and community. Participants will be chosen following a highly competitive application process.

The Statewide Leadership Institute is comprised of three sessions over an 8-month period. Participants must attend all three sessions to graduate. The Institute will be offered once per year, and sessions will take place at various locations throughout Florida.



"Connect Florida is blazing a trail for the future of Florida. The Connect Florida Statewide Leadership Institute will give the next generation of leaders the tools they need to act now to facilitate change for years to come and make Florida a better place to live, work, and play."

**Jon Levinson, Chairman
Leadership Florida**

**Connect Florida strives
to cultivate the
next generation of leaders
for the State of Florida**

**Applications for Class I
are available at
connectflorida.org/institute**

**Cost to participate:
\$2,500**

**All applications must be
postmarked by
May 7, 2010**

SESSION I

Putting Leadership Theory into Action

October 1-3, 2010

Host: *Jacksonville University, Jacksonville*

Program includes a comprehensive 360 degree in-depth analysis using integrated technology and a one-on-one professional evaluation assessment.

- Development of a Personalized Leadership Plan (PLP) to realize your strengths as a leader
- Implementation of your PLP, "How to achieve more"
- Tools to integrate your PLP into business and industry to achieve measurable results, as you set individual short and long term 1 – 10 year goals

SESSION III

Making an Impact

May 20-22, 2011

Host: *Barry University, Miami*

Participants will learn how to impact their organizations, communities and our state, and how to create a change model to achieve a desired result. They will also learn about the importance of servant leadership.

- **Board Service** - Explore the roles and responsibilities of a non-profit board of directors. Participants will be matched with participating organizations and encouraged to serve in open positions.
- **Get Active** - Elected officials will discuss how everyday citizens participate in the legislative process, with emphasis at the grassroots level.
- **Presenting Yourself** - Learn the art of "Becoming an Approachable Leader, Making and Creating Change and Talking the Talk - Public Speaking".

SESSION II

Know Your State

February 11-13, 2011

TBD, Tampa

Statewide experts will engage participants on issues affecting Florida including, but not limited to:

- Economy
- Transportation
- Energy
- Growth Management
- History/Culture
- Business Opportunities
- Affordable Housing
- Taxes
- Government
- Environment
- Agriculture

Graduates will be able to make informed decisions about the issues affecting Florida and use the information to improve their businesses and communities.

Apply for the Connect Florida Statewide Leadership Institute and create history. Connect Florida is the first statewide young professionals program in the nation, and similarly, the Statewide Leadership Institute is the only program of its kind. The purpose of the Statewide Leadership Institute is to help prepare Florida's next generation of leaders by providing them with the tools they will need to be effective leaders in their communities and in our state.

Participate in the inaugural class, and generations of Florida's young leaders will continue in the program you were instrumental in founding.

As a young leader and professional, your impact is significant in determining the future of our State, and Connect Florida is committed to investing in you.



For inquiries or information about the Connect Florida Statewide Institute program please contact Sara Bennett at sbennett@leadershipflorida.org or toll free at (877) 352-5323.

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