

Delta Leadership Institute (DLI) Executive Academy



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A Program of the
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EXECUTIVE ACADEMY

WHAT IS THE DELTA LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE EXECUTIVE ACADEMY?

The Delta Leadership Institute Executive Academy was created to empower a corps of leaders with the tools, experiences, and networks to address challenges facing the local and regional economic development. The DLI Executive Academy trains leaders from diverse backgrounds, sectors, and industries to improve the economic competitiveness and social viability of the Mississippi River Delta and Alabama Black Belt.

TOOLS

Expand skills and knowledge in policy areas relevant to economic and community development that enhance your ability to improve your community.

EXPERIENCES

Visit Delta communities and learn the strategies that are helping to grow local economies in diverse cities and towns throughout the Region.

NETWORKS

Build network with fellow community leaders, practitioners, and experts to develop a strong network for regional collaboration, information sharing, and continued learning.

SESSIONS COVER POLICY AREAS AND SKILLS SUCH AS:

Regionalism Infrastructure
Public-Private
Partnerships Public
Health

Transportation Grassroots
Organizing Entrepreneurship
Place-based Development

Public Policy & Governance
Culture & Tourism
Workforce Development
Coalition Building

WHO MAY APPLY FOR THIS PROGRAM?

Applicants for the Executive Academy must live or work in the 252 counties and parishes of the Mississippi River Delta and Alabama Black Belt Regions, as designated by Congress. The DLI Executive Academy continuously seeks applicants that serve in either traditional or non-traditional leadership roles within organizations, companies, or communities. It is expected that DLI Executive Academy Fellows have previously worked on community-based projects that support economic and community development efforts on the local, regional, or state level.

HOW ARE EXECUTIVE ACADEMY FELLOWS SELECTED?

The DLI Executive Academy participants are selected by the applicants' state Governor or DRA's Federal Co-Chairman. DRA and the Governors will evaluate and make selections from the completed applications submitted by the application deadline. For more information on applying, visit our website and FAQ's at dra.gov/leadership.



Delta Leadership Institute (DLI) Alumni Network



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ALUMNI NETWORK

WHAT IS THE DELTA LEADERSHIP NETWORK?

The Delta Leadership Network (DLN) comprises all alumni of the Delta Leadership Executive Academy. Alumni may continue their engagement and support of the region through this network. DLN is currently 600 members strong.

WHO CAN ANSWER QUESTIONS?

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