

# WILLIAM R. GIANELLI WATER LEADERS CLASS

WATER EDUCATION FOUNDATION



## Criteria for Acceptance

- Commitment to understanding water issues
- Interest in seeking leadership roles on public boards and commissions, or key staff positions within own organization
- Commitment to the community through volunteer activities

*Designed as a program for working professionals, participation involves a **time commitment** from both the class member and the employer.*

## Class members are required to

- Attend a special one-day class orientation on January 23, 2020 at the Foundation's office
- Attend two Foundation water tours (the Bay-Delta Tour in June is mandatory)
- Attend the Foundation's Water 101 Workshop on February 20, 2020 in Sacramento and other events throughout the year as required
- Participate in the Water Leaders Auction (which requires soliciting items of value to be auctioned off)
- Spend a day "shadowing" assigned mentor--a major water leader (from government, urban, agriculture, environmental organizations, private business or public interest group)
- Interview the mentor about the topic selected for the class
- Attend at least three mandatory special work-group meetings in Sacramento (and optional work-group meetings scheduled by class coordinator, as needed) to develop a class presentation and written report about the assigned water topic
- Attend the Foundation's November 30, 2020 Board Meeting in Indian Wells, CA to make a presentation and to graduate

**Tuition is \$4,250 for the yearlong program. Program includes attendance at Foundation events (such as the Water Summit) and on two tours. All meals and hotel costs are covered. Transportation to and from events is not covered.**

## 2020 APPLICATION

To apply, send completed application package to the Water Education Foundation's office or to [kchong@watereducation.org](mailto:kchong@watereducation.org). **The completed application must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 9, 2019.**

The package must contain:

1. **Completed application form**
2. **One-page statement describing why you are interested in participating in the class**
3. **Résumé**
4. **Letter of support from employer acknowledging time commitment**
5. **Nonrefundable application fee of \$35**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Job title \_\_\_\_\_

Please use the space below to provide a brief job description:

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

- Are you applying for a scholarship?\*    Yes    No
- Are you applying for the John P. Fraser fellowship?\* (Your organization must be an ACWA member)    Yes    No

**\*If you are applying for a scholarship or fellowship, please submit a statement of need with your application.**



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