# NEW Leadership Nevada

## Frequently Asked Questions

### I’m not interested in politics!

**Why should I apply?**

While some of us hate to think about politics, we are all part of the political process in one way or another. If you worry about tuition increases, care about the environment, or volunteer at a local shelter, then politics and government affect you! Every day, important decisions are made that have an impact on your life and your future. And those decisions don’t just happen in the halls of government. Politics is in your local community center, on your campus, in your neighborhood, within organizations you belong to, and lots of other places. At NEW Leadership Nevada, you will get a chance to meet all kinds of women involved in politics, women just like you who are making a difference. And, you will develop the skills you need to join them.

### Am I eligible?

Any college student enrolled in a Nevada college or university is eligible to apply, including students who graduated at the end of the 2019 fall semester or in spring 2020. Nevada residents attending a school outside Nevada are also eligible to apply. You do not need to be a political science major or be involved in formal political roles (e.g., student government) to be considered. We encourage students with a variety of interests and backgrounds to apply because we believe that everyone who attends benefits in some way; academic and cultural diversity make NEW Leadership Nevada an even more enriching and impactful program.

### How do I apply?

Online applications run between October through February. Students will be notified of their acceptance in late March. Early application is recommended. All NEW Leadership Nevada students are required to stay at UNLV for the duration of the program. We recognize that this program conflicts with some summer classes and family responsibilities; however, you must be able to commit to attending all of the sessions during the week. Because each day includes a full day of sessions, you will not be able to attend a class during this week. WRIN is interested in students who have been involved in a wide range of activities that are not necessarily “political” in the traditional sense. We have found that the students who seem to benefit most are those students who have either just recently become involved in leadership activities or those who are looking for a way to get involved.

### What’s in it for me?

Participating in NEW Leadership Nevada will be a part of your professional development, a credential you can put on your resume. This award-winning program is nationally recognized. A time to develop new skills, or work on ones you have already been exercising. Time to apply those skills to do something about an issue or problem you’ve been concerned about on your campus or in your community. Time to work and have fun with a small group of young women from across the state. An opportunity to meet women leaders from a variety of fields and ask questions in an informal atmosphere. A chance to find a mentor, internships, and future employment!

### How much does it cost?

Nothing!

NEW Leadership Nevada only requires the investment of your time and commitment. Thanks to the generosity of our Community Partners, WRIN covers the costs of your meals, housing, and program materials. We want this experience to be available to every student who can benefit from it and we don’t want cost to be a factor.

### What if I have more questions?

If you’re still not convinced NEW Leadership Nevada is for you, or if you have other questions about the program or the application process, contact Program Manager Jean Munson at (702) 895-2902 or by email at newleunlv.edu.