PROGRAM

Executive Leadership Institute
A Professional Development Program
for Senior-Level Public Servants

ELI provides candidates with the unique opportunity to interact with prominent individuals from public and private sectors. Past executive roundtable leaders include mayors, city and county managers, public administration faculty, NFBPA Board members and past presidents, and other highly respected black public, corporate, and civic leaders.

TUITION COSTS

Tuition for the Executive Leadership Institute is $11,000 which covers the cost for instruction, venues, and registration fees for NFBPA’s annual conference (FORUM). The total transportation and lodging costs for all program sessions and the annual conference are not included in the above fees. Tuition costs must be paid by December 1st.

Past ELI graduates have employed various strategies for securing sponsorship for participation in the program. The overwhelming majority of participants are sponsored by their local and state government employers. Others successfully supported their participation in the Institute through a combination of corporate, foundation, and personal funds. If accepted, NFBPA staff is available to provide.

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Complete an application here or visit www.nfbpa.org for more information.
ABOUT ELI
Understanding the array of critical problems faced by cities, counties, and states — the need for talented, energetic, creative, resourceful, and capable executives from diverse backgrounds is increasingly present. ELI was established to sharpen the skills and capabilities of an elite core of managers and administrators who have already demonstrated superior achievement in their careers as assistant city managers, department heads, bureau/division chiefs, and the like.

This program is one of the few training institutes in the United States that offers a curriculum mixed with both academic-based theory and practitioner-based experience through partnerships with universities and cities throughout the country. The ability to compare urban development, transportation policy, economic development strategies and other public policies in both a classroom setting and on-site experiences is unique through on-site experiences is unique.

ABOUT GEORGETOWN
Georgetown University’s School of Continuing Studies (SCS) offers graduate programs in professional and liberal studies, more than 30 professional certificate programs, custom and corporate training and education, summer programs, and more than 30 professional certificate programs, and the University’s only part-time bachelor’s program.

The Executive Leadership Institute was established in 1987 as a program dedicated to developing African American managers for the rigorous of executive positions in public service organizations.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?
The Executive Leadership Institute is designed for leaders upon whom elected and appointed officials rely on to carry out policies, implement programs, and solve problems. The program has been developed for middle and senior managers with particular preference on selecting persons who intend to pursue the position of city/county manager or agency chief.

About the Executives Leadership Institute

Program Expectations

Upon selection, ELI candidates attend five Georgetown-run instructional sessions and two Kettering Foundation Learning Exchanges, scheduled over a five-month period. Successful completion of the ELI curriculum requires attendance at all sessions. Most sessions will occur virtually, but applicants are expected to travel twice over the duration of the program: once to NFBPA’s Annual Conference (FORUM) and once for an in-person session at Georgetown University in Washington, DC.

Program Expectations

*A Health and Wellness: All participants must agree to follow all Health and Wellness Guidelines during any in-person sessions. Individuals will need to comply with any health and safety rules set by NFBPA, Georgetown, Local Venues, and State and Local Governments. NFBPA will follow applicable federal, state and local laws, adapting program plans accordingly and sharing updates.

THE ELI ELITE
A highly selective annual search is conducted to identify candidates with

- Strong academic training including a bachelor’s degree (required) and a master’s degree (preferred)
- Professional experience
- Strong written and analytic skills
- Demonstrated leadership experience
- Commitment to social responsibility
- Active membership within NFBPA is preferred.

THE CURRICULUM
Developed with the advice and counsel of current and former senior public administrators as well as faculty at one of the nation’s most prestigious schools of public administration, the Institute curriculum is divided into major and minor tracks around core competency areas within the public administration profession.

Care Curriculum areas may include:

- Resource Allocation & Financial Management
- Economic Development & Planning
- Public Policy Development & Analysis
- Organizational Development
- Civic Engagement
- Data Analytics & Technology
- Leadership

Program Expectations

Upon completion of the program, ELI candidates will receive a Professional Certificate in State and Local Government Leadership - from the Georgetown University School of Continuing Studies.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

| September 15 | Application Deadline |
| October | Candidates Notified |
| December 1 | Tuition Costs Due |
| December | Virtual Orientation |
| January – March | Virtual Modules 1-3 |
| April | In-Person NFBPA Conference (FORUM) and Module #4 |
| May | In-Person Module #5 and Graduation at Georgetown University, Washington, DC |