

Goodman Nonprofit Fellowship Program Application - Board Member Portion



Goodman Nonprofit Center Fellowship Program Expectations

The Goodman Nonprofit Center is committed to providing a high-quality educational experience that delivers practical knowledge nonprofit leaders can implement in their work. We also committed to creating a safe, creative, and positive learning environment that allows fellows to connect meaningfully with other leaders and have access to resources that will be valuable to them during the fellowship and beyond. We will also be providing opportunities for fellows to continue to engage as an alumnus of the program.

We expect fellows to commit an average of 12 hours a month - 9 hours of in-person formal course work and 3 hours outside - for a total of 120 hours over the course of the fellowship program (September 2026 - June 2027).

The cost will be \$1,000 per person. We also expect fellows are actively contributing to building a positive learning community for themselves and other cohort members by committing to the following:

- Being present and prepared for all scheduled sessions
- Approaching the experience with curiosity, openness, respect and generosity for each other's expertise, wisdom, lived experience, and humanity.
- Making space and taking space by being mindful of how much you speak and the role power and privilege play in our interactions
- Being open to growth and discomfort and allowing each other to make mistakes without judgment or defensiveness.
- Honor confidentiality by ensuring what is said stays with the group but what's learned leaves.

2026-2027 Program Session Dates:

1. Program Orientation and Being a Leader 9/23 - 9/24
2. Crafting a Powerful Value Proposition for your nonprofit and programs to match 10/14 - 10/15
3. Governance and Board Management 11/18 -11/19
4. Financial Management 12/9-12/10
5. Marketing and Communications 1/13 -1/14
6. Fundraising and Resourcing the Mission 2/10 - 2/11
7. Human Resources and Organizational Culture 3/10 - 3/11
8. Advocacy and collective impact 4/14 - 4/15
9. Strategy and Evaluation 5/12- 5/13
10. Reflection and Celebration 6/16 - 6/17

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1. First and Last Name*

2. Email*

3. Phone Number*

4. Name, Organization and Title of the Candidate you are supporting for admittance to the program*

5. Taking into account both leadership and administrative skills, what are your candidate's greatest strengths right now? *

6. What are your candidate's greatest challenges in their leadership role? *

7. What kind of impact do you think this program could have on your organization?*

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8. First and Last Name*

9. Today's Date*

10. Final Signature*

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