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### RETURN TO SCHOOL THIS AUTUMN

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The signs are all there: Summer is sliding into back-to-school season. School supplies fill store shelves. School busses are rolling. And students of all ages are returning to the classroom, engaging with classmates and committing to new learning.

Brookings Executive Education's [Master of Science in Leadership](#) (MSL) program prepares professionals to excel as public leaders. The program combines the Brookings Institution's command of government and policy with Washington University in St. Louis' proficiency in leadership, management and strategy. No other graduate degree delivers the same combination of expertise.

The [MSL curriculum](#) serves as a springboard to the Senior Executive Service or other senior-level positions. Courses focus on the U.S. Office of Personnel Management's Executive Core Qualifications, a solid framework for development. Students acquire tools to streamline their agency operations, improve individual and organizational performance, and build employee commitment.

"My MSL degree will amplify my other academic degrees," said Dr. Kathleen Hartman, aquaculture program leader for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Veterinary Services. "Now, I'm able to get people to move with me on strategic objectives and to actually accomplish what we set out to do. We're solving wicked problems for our stakeholders. In the case of my organization, that means producing healthy animals and creating a competitive edge for global trade."

MSL students may be eligible to receive class credit from Brookings Executive Education [leadership](#) and [policy courses](#) they have already taken. Interested individuals can contact MSL Program Manager Morgan Kaminski at [MKaminski@brookings.edu](mailto:MKaminski@brookings.edu) or 202-797-4396 for information on program requirements.

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## A DECADE OF SUCCESS

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Since 2008, Brookings Executive Education's [Women's Leadership Network](#) program has created a supportive learning and development environment for women in government, along with a venue for sharing knowledge, experiences and resources.

Participants learn how to lead personal and organizational change; to craft and communicate their messages; and to achieve results through influence and negotiation.

All while becoming part of a career-long network of female government leaders.

Valerie Keyes, director of personnel security and identity management for Canada's Department of National Defence, took her first Women's Leadership class in 2011. "I was looking for confidence building as well as leadership development," she said. "Brookings Executive Education was exactly what I wanted and needed.

"Equally important, these courses reaffirmed how satisfying it is to be a leader. Effective leaders help their employees grow and rejoice in their employees' success."

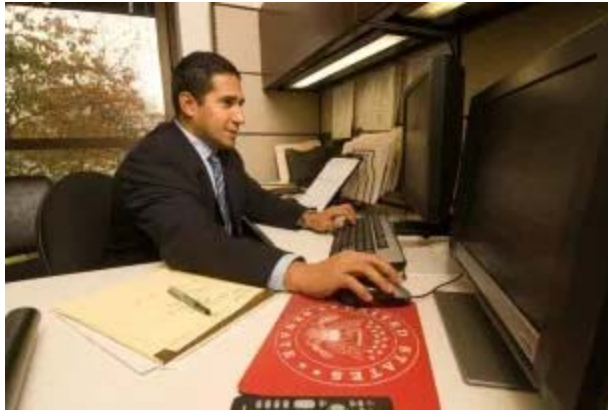
"Having a program that's strictly for women is great," another former participant said. "It offers us an opportunity to discuss our strengths and weaknesses with other women who understand the challenges. The network also provides valuable advice that advances our careers."

To register for the Women's Leadership Network, click [here](#). Please contact [registrar@brookings.edu](mailto:registrar@brookings.edu) for more information.

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## SERVE ON CAPITOL HILL

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The 116th Congress will convene Jan. 3, 2019, and begin to debate its legislative agenda. LEGIS fellows will be at the center of the action, supporting the efforts of lawmakers on both sides of the aisle.

For more than 20 years, the Brookings Executive Education [LEGIS Fellowship](#) program has been the gold standard for Capitol Hill experience. Fellows serve as subject-matter experts for legislators and their staffs, participate in committee hearings, brief members of Congress, draft legislation, and handle constituent issues. Fellows also interact with key decision makers and become part of a network of policy entrepreneurs.

“Fellows dive deeply into specific areas of interest and receive an invaluable education,” said Executive in Residence and former congressman Charles Boustany Jr. (R-LA). “At the same time, they mentor young staff members, which is a tremendous help to short-staffed, underbudgeted congressional offices that don’t have the funds for senior-level employees.

“Equally important, after they complete the program, fellows educate their agencies on matters that affect their ability to achieve objectives. Realistic, implementable policy is a two-way street. It comes from informed interactions between the executive and legislative branches of government.”

The [LEGIS Fellowship](#) program attracts professionals from government, business and nonprofit organizations. Admission is competitive. Fellows choose either a seven- or 12-month format. Both options begin with an in-depth, eight-day orientation that explains legislative mechanics and includes a job fair for Capitol Hill assignments.

For more information, contact Assistant Dean Ian Dubin at [idubin@brookings.edu](mailto:idubin@brookings.edu) or 202-797-6319.

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## ON THE HORIZON

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### [Executive Fellowship Program:](#)

- [Application](#) Deadline – August 31, 2018 (Extended Date)

### LEGIS Fellowship:

- Early [Application](#) Deadline – September 7, 2018
- Regular [Application](#) Deadline – October 26, 2018

### Women's Leadership Network:

- [Registration](#) Deadline - September 28, 2018\*
- This program is based upon space availability and may fill up before the listed date.

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