



2019 Nonprofit Fellows Schedule

KICK OFF & OPENING RECEPTION

Thursday, February 28, 3:30 – 5:30 pm, United Way of the Piedmont

Kick off your Nonprofit Fellows experience by getting to know your classmates and learning more about what to expect from the program. We'll also review what a nonprofit organization is and does. Following our session, we will move to the SMC Studio to network with each other and past Fellows Alumni.

SESSION 1 – Leadership of Self

Tuesday, March 5, 8:30 – 11:30 am

Our first session will focus on learning more about your personal values and examining how you can bring those values to board service.

SESSION 2 – Governance Essentials

Tuesday, March 19, 8:30 – 11:30 am

What is the role of a nonprofit Board of Directors? We'll explore the basics of governance, discuss the board's role in setting vision and directing strategy, and examine how meetings can be more effective.

SESSION 3 - The Power of Partnerships

Tuesday, April 2, 8:30 – 11:30 am

Partnerships are essential in the nonprofit sector. They enable organizations to expand services, accomplish more, and drive lasting change. Examine the role of the board in building and monitoring partnerships and learn about successful local partnerships.

SESSION 4 – Experience Impact

Tuesday, April 16, 8:30 am – 1:00 pm

How do nonprofits measure their success? In impact. Learn more about what "impact" looks like and metrics of success through a hands-on experience. Please note that this class has an extended schedule. Lunch will be provided.

SESSION 5 – Organizational Sustainability

Tuesday, April 30, 8:30 – 11:30 am

How do you build a nonprofit that can stand the test of time? We'll discuss the board's legal and fiscal oversight responsibilities and how they partner with the CEO/Executive Director to ensure sustainability.

SESSION 6 – Inclusion and Representation

Tuesday, May 14, 8:30 – 11:30 am

Should a board be composed of individuals who represent the community? Discuss the impact of board composition and the importance of diversity and inclusion at the board level.



SESSION 7 – The Next Steps

Tuesday, June 4, 8:30 am – 1:00 pm

Be a board member who makes impact through your service! Learn about the three pillars of influence you can bring to your organization: Give, Advocate, & Volunteer. Then, explore nonprofits who are seeking board members and identify where your skills and passions best fit through Nonprofit Speed Dating. Please note that this class has an extended schedule. Lunch will be provided.

SESSION 8 – The End and The Beginning

Tuesday, June 11, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Hear from Fellows participants about local community challenges and their proposed plan to improve them. A graduation ceremony and reception will follow.