

AUCD LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Shaping the future of disability

The Association of University Centers on Disabilities and
the Center for Leadership in Disability at Georgia State University
announce the third annual **AUCD LEADERSHIP ACADEMY**

June 21st to 26th, 2020 in Atlanta, Georgia.



ABOUT THE AUCD LEADERSHIP ACADEMY at Georgia State University

The AUCD Leadership Academy is seeking 24 participants from UCEDDs, LENDs, and their disability partners to join its fourth cohort for a year of exploration. The academy is grounded by a week together of study, shared experiences, self-reflection, and skill development. While the cohort will meet in Atlanta, the in-person experience will be guided by activities completed in advance. Participants will also continue to engage with their cohort, academy staff, local coaches, and national allies in the year following the experience.



WHAT IS THE FOCUS OF THE AUCD LEADERSHIP ACADEMY?

The goal of the AUCD Leadership Academy is to enhance the skills of current and emerging leaders from the disability network to build coalitions and improve systems of supports and services. Some highlights include:

- A focus on shared values and commitments to civil and human rights;
- Assessment of personal and organizational strengths;
- Building partnerships to achieve collective impact;
- Support for participants' resilience and integrity in sustaining their commitments to solving complex social issues; and
- Creation of a community of leaders and advocates that recognizes and honors differences and diversity.

The 2019 Academy included 24 emerging leaders with and without disabilities from 17 states and territories, representing UCEDDs, LENDs, and disability organizations

"One of the most supportive learning environments that I have experienced...and by creating this environment, bringing out the best in me...and most likely others...THANK YOU."

"The week was powerful. I am glad that the conversations that were begun during the week did not end there."

"My commitment has been renewed, I have more courage to lead, I now accept that my work is personal, and I feel very connected to a bigger movement. I wish everyone could have this experience."

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Online applications available on November 1, 2019
Application deadline is March 2, 2020
Notification by March 31, 2020