

CAREER ACCELERATOR

OVERVIEW

- **WHO:** 10 undergraduate NCNW members.
- **WHAT:** A multifaceted program intentionally designed to kick-start and advance careers—increasing the number of Black women excelling across industries, professions, and sectors.
- **WHERE:** Hybrid—**eleven virtual two-hour** workshops **AND** **two in-person multi-day** sessions
- **WHEN:** August 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025.
- **HOW:** Rising changemakers will receive the following access and opportunities at absolutely no cost:
 - **COMMUNITY:** Opportunities to connect, engage with, and gain support from a diverse pool of Black women professionals. Including one-to-one guidance, inspiration, and motivation, from a strategically paired mentor.
 - **FUNDING:** A \$5,000 stipend to support the advancement of their career journey.
 - **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:** Training through experiential and interactive learning intentionally designed to cultivate critical competencies, in theory and in practice. Coupled with access and exposure to various potential professional opportunities including employment, fellowships, and internships.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicants must satisfy the following:

- **AGE:** 18-years-old by August 1, 2024.
- **UNDERGRADUATE:** Our initial cohort is designed for 2024-25 college students, including rising freshman, seniors graduating December 2024, **AND** non-traditional students—applicants must attend an accredited U.S. institution, full- **OR** part-time status. This includes community colleges, colleges, **AND** universities. There is no minimum GPA requirement.
- **MEMBERSHIP:** Current national headquarters dues paying member of NCNW. You can join NCNW at any time by paying dues, here. NOTE: Applicants are **NOT** required to pay section level dues **AND** do **NOT** have to attend a school with a NCNW section.

REQUIREMENTS

Program requirements include, but are not limited to:

- **AMBASSADOR:** Promoting and sharing personal experiences via digital platforms and participating in no more than **three** in-person and/or virtual engagements to amplify awareness about BHCP.
- **ASSIGNMENTS:** Thoughtfully and thoroughly completing individual assignments in accordance with set instructions and deadlines.
- **GROUP PROJECT:** Actively engaging in, substantively contributing to, and effectively collaborating with fellow Rising Changemakers in completing a group project.
- **MENTORSHIP:** Actively engaging with your assigned mentor in accordance with set guidelines, including but not limited to meeting at least **one hour per month**, in-person **OR** virtual.
- **PROGRAMMING:**
 - **IN-PERSON:** Attending and actively engaging in the entirety of all in-person convenings in **D.C. and Maryland**, tentative dates, **subject to change**, are **October 9-13, 2024 AND April 2-6, 2025** travel related expenses will be paid for by NCNW.
 - **VIRTUAL:** Attending and actively engaging, **on camera**, in **at least ten (10) or eleven (11) virtual two-hour** workshops, **August–April**. NOTE: The exact days and times will be determined after the cohort is selected, based on majority availability—tentatively, **Tuesdays OR Wednesdays**.

Due: Monday, June 17, 2024, 11:30 PM EST

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