



# 2025-2026 Application

The Leadership Foundry program helps participants develop the core competencies needed to successfully serve on a corporate board. The ten-month program includes the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) Accelerate™ training, a six-month virtual training curriculum, as well as support for NACD certification study group sessions, training and networking events to make meaningful connections and build trusted relationships throughout the program.

**Application Fee: \$100.00 (due with application)**

**The application deadline is 11:59 pm ET on Friday, June 20, 2025.**

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## Part 1: Personal Information

Your Full Name\* \_\_\_\_\_

Title\* \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address\* \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Best Contact Phone Number\* \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address\* \_\_\_\_\_

## **Part 2: Application Questions**

**1. Describe your three most significant leadership positions. Indicate the scope of responsibility in terms of company/organization goals, staff, and budget. \***

200 Words Max

**2. What significant change initiatives have you led? Describe how you removed obstacles or gained support to achieve an important objective. \***

200 Words Max

**3. What specific skills/knowledge/expertise do you have that would be particularly attractive to a corporate board?**

**(Examples include but are not limited to: experience presenting to a board or other executive forum, functional experience in technology, finance, legal, human resources, or marketing.)**

**If those skills are likely to be especially attractive to a particular industry or type of company, explain why. \***

200 Words Max

**4. Why do you want to serve on a corporate board, and why now? \***

200 Words Max

**5. What is your desired timeframe for securing a corporate board seat? \***

Within 1 year

1 to 3 years

3 to 5 years

Unknown or Undecided

**6. Have you served on a board before? Check all that apply**

Yes, on a publicly traded corporate board

Yes, on a private company board

Yes, on a non-profit board

No, I have never served on a board

**LinkedIn or Corporate Website Profile\* :**

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**Include your Resume (Optional)**

*Some companies may be restrictive on what executives may share on their LinkedIn profile. You may attach a resume or CV that includes your career path, and a section for any current or past board service, including non-profit or community boards.*

## **Part 3: TLF Requirements and Refund Policy**

The Leadership Foundry Program has a limited number of spaces available for qualified candidates for each program year. The application process is competitive. Admission decisions are handled by an independent panel of senior leadership that includes corporate or non-profit board experience. The panel will review the information submitted in the application and will use established scoring criteria to evaluate responses.

If selected, the cohort of individuals will participate in the virtual Accelerate™ program of 15 self-paced modules provided by the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) during the first six months. In addition, The Leadership Foundry will offer in-person educational and networking events as well as in-person and virtual certification exam study group sessions scheduled over the course of the ten-month program.

All application fees are non-refundable. All successful program applicants will be notified in writing at completion of judging of acceptance of their application for admission into this year's cohort.

It is WIT's goal to ensure that all interested and qualified candidates have an opportunity to benefit from this valuable program, supplementing board education with in person and virtual events to connect with each other and other alumnae.

Upon notification of selection and offer of admission into the program, successful applicants must notify the WIT Office, in writing, of their acceptance and submit payment in full of the program fees by the payment deadline. If acceptance and payment are not received by the WIT Office by the advertised payment deadline, the participant cannot be guaranteed admission. All program fees must be paid in full and are nonrefundable.

Please type your name below to acknowledge you have read the requirements and refund policy terms and conditions and agree to them.

**Your Name**

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