

Leadership

Bloomington - Monroe County

2011-2012



Leadership Through Action



Indiana University Bloomington Continuing Studies
and The Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce



What is Leadership Bloomington - Monroe County?

We envision the future we want and find ways to make it happen.

Leadership Bloomington - Monroe County (LBMC) builds a stronger community by identifying a diverse cross-section of emerging leaders and preparing them for roles in shaping our future. Each year, people who are broadly representative of Bloomington and Monroe County participate in this leadership program to prepare for greater involvement in community life. To date, more than 750 local leaders have participated in this program.

What will I learn?

You will learn leadership skills directly applicable to both your career and your community involvement as you interact with local experts and your classmates. The “classroom” is the community itself and the instructors are business, not-for-profit, and government leaders who place local issues into context. Through interactive learning you will acquire specific leadership skills, such as effective listening, problem solving, team building, and networking. Each session takes place at a site related to the day’s topic. Topics focus on aspects of community life: economic foundations, education, government, healthcare, and media communication, among others.

How is the program organized?

LBMC is a seven-month program that begins in October and ends in April. The program begins with an orientation and an alumni-hosted reception, and closes with group project presentations.

Thirteen sessions are scheduled on alternate Thursday mornings from 8 a.m. to noon at various community locations. You will enjoy a special graduation/recognition dinner at the conclusion of the program.

In addition to attending the regular Thursday sessions, you will work with four or five classmates to develop a project that addresses a group-selected community concern. Each community project group meets outside the regularly scheduled sessions to explore a current issue in depth, and to plan and implement a course of action. The community projects segment of the program is a significant exercise in the team-building process.

You will earn seven continuing education units (CEUs) when you complete the program.

What is my responsibility as a participant?

You are expected to participate fully by attending each session. You must:

- Attend the orientation, project planning meeting, and final presentations.
- Attend a minimum of nine of the remaining 11 sessions held two Thursdays a month from 8 a.m. to noon; be on time and stay for the entire session.
- Actively participate in your community project group, which will need to meet on a weekly or bi-weekly basis.

If you cannot currently meet the program’s time commitment, we encourage you to wait to apply until your schedule is more flexible.

How do I apply?

The enrollment fee is \$1,050, which includes all sessions, instructional materials, refreshments, application fee, and the graduation dinner.

Complete the attached application form or visit continue.indiana.edu. Mail it,



along with a \$50 application fee (make check payable to Indiana University) to Leadership Bloomington - Monroe County, Indiana University, Fountain Square Mall, 101 W. Kirkwood Avenue, Suite 103, Bloomington, IN 47404. You may also pay your application fee online at continue.indiana.edu; follow the link to LBMC.

Your application must be received by September 15, 2011. We will notify you of your admission status by e-mail after September 24, 2011.

The balance of \$1,000 is due upon acceptance to the program. Since the number of participants in the program is limited to 35, applicants who are not selected are encouraged to reapply in subsequent years.

Is tuition assistance available?

Several partial tuition awards are available to people who would not otherwise be able to participate in the program. Call the LBMC office at 855-1182 to request an application. Tuition assistance requests are due with your application.

Programs of this type often qualify for fee reimbursement from employers. Check with your employer concerning partial or full reimbursement. Financial assistance may also be available from other community sources.

For more information, call 855-1182, fax 855-0977, or e-mail Kyla Cox at knblanke@indiana.edu. In addition, please visit our Web site at continue.indiana.edu and follow the link to Leadership Bloomington - Monroe County.



Program Schedule 2011–2012

Friday, October 7*

Orientation and Alumni Reception (8 a.m.–5 p.m.)

This all-day session will include an orientation to LBMC and an introduction to the study of leadership. The LBMC Alumni Association will host a reception for our new class and alumni from 5 to 7 p.m.

Thursday, October 13

Rediscover Your Community

Explore historical, cultural, and economic aspects of our community—by bus!

Thursday, October 27*

Group Project Planning

Develop community projects and form teams to accomplish goals.

Thursday, November 10

Group Dynamics and Effective Meetings

Build a foundation for group success, and gain skills for your future endeavors as an employee, volunteer, and leader.

Thursday, December 1

Collaboration: Building Partnerships

Learn how to be more effective through collaboration and forming strategic partnerships.

Thursday, December 15

Diversity

Focus on the impact of race, gender, disability, culture of origin, and sexual orientation on effective leadership practices.

Thursday, January 5

Community Communications

Learn how to use various media to communicate your organization's message.

Thursday, January 19

Educating a Community

Focus on education delivery in our community, from preschool through adult education opportunities.

Thursday, February 2

Economic Foundations

Explore our local economy from an international, national, and regional perspective.

Thursday, February 16

Health and Welfare

Examine local healthcare delivery, the impact of insurance, and new medical services initiatives.

Thursday, March 1

Our Local Government

Engage local government officials in dialogue about important issues facing our community.

Thursday, March 8

Social Service Networks

Discover how our social service network functions, and examine the role of the leader in volunteer organizations.

Thursday, March 29

Visioning and Planning

Look to the future through an examination and discussion of past, current, and upcoming projects slated for Bloomington and Monroe County

Thursday, April 5

Built-In Snow Day

This session will only be held if we need to make up a session due to inclement weather or other unforeseen reasons during the program.

Thursday, April 12*

Group Project Presentations

Project groups give final presentations.

Wednesday, April 25

Graduation/Recognition Dinner (6–9 p.m.)

Enjoy the graduation of the Class of 2012 and celebration of LBMC Distinguished Alumni Award recipient.

For more information:

Kyla Cox

855-1182 or knblanke@indiana.edu

Or visit our Web site: continue.indiana.edu

Envision the Future and Help Make It Happen!

2011–12 Leadership Bloomington - Monroe County Application

(Please answer all questions. Attach another sheet if you need additional space. Application deadline: September 15, 2011)

Name _____ Male Female

Employer _____ Position _____

Work Address _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Home Address _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

E-mail Address _____ Fax _____ Birth Date _____

Length of time in your current position? _____ How long have you worked/lived in the Bloomington area? _____

How long do you plan to work/live in the Bloomington area? _____

Who will pay your tuition? (If combination, indicate percentages.)

Personal means Employer LBMC Scholarship Other (specify) _____

A limited number of awards to partially cover tuition are available to people who would not otherwise be able to participate in the program. Visit continue.indiana.edu or call 855-1182 for an LBMC scholarship application.

Education

Begin with most recent.

School Name and Location	From–To	Degree	Major
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Employment

Begin with position prior to your current position.

Employer Name and Location	From–To	Position
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Organizations

In order of importance to you, list up to three civic/professional/community organizations in which you have been actively involved.

Organization	From–To	Responsibilities
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

(Over)

YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION FORM—PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR RÉSUMÉ

1. What do you hope to gain from your participation in Leadership Bloomington - Monroe County?

2. What community goal do you want to accomplish as a result of your participation?

3. Describe a personal accomplishment. What made it significant to you?

4. Have you been as active as you would like to be in civic/professional/community activities? Yes No
If yes, what has been your most rewarding accomplishment? If no, what conditions have changed that now enable you to be more active?

5. What two qualities are most important for future leaders of Bloomington and Monroe County?

- a. _____
b. _____

How do you rate yourself on these two qualities?

6. Please provide the contact information for two personal or professional references (include their names, titles, and daytime phone numbers).

7. Please check the factor(s) that influenced your decision to apply for Leadership Bloomington - Monroe County.

- Recommendation of a friend or colleague Referred by LBMC graduate Brochure
 Employer Chamber of Commerce Newspaper
 Other _____

My \$50 application fee is enclosed (check made payable to **Indiana University**). Balance is due upon acceptance into the program.
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I will be able to fulfill the required time commitment. If I am selected as a participant, LBMC may release my name and photo in publicity materials, including but not limited to the brochure, Web site, and/or news releases.

Signature _____ Date _____

Selection Criteria: Participants must be able to attend the required sessions. Please review the section, "What is my responsibility as a participant?" They must be concerned about the future of Bloomington and Monroe County, must be committed to personal involvement in shaping the community's future, and must have the potential for longevity in the community. Selected participants will represent a cross-section of the community.

Send Application To

IU Bloomington Continuing Studies
Office of the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education
Fountain Square Mall
101 W. Kirkwood Avenue, Suite 103
Bloomington, IN 47404

**Application Deadline
September 15, 2011**

For More Information

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LBMC Class of 2011

Leadership Bloomington-Monroe County is a partnership between Indiana University Bloomington Continuing Studies and The Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce.

What people are saying about the LBMC experience:

I have learned a great deal, gained wonderful new (and I believe life-long) friends and colleagues, and discovered more about myself than I could have imagined. I am honored to now be a part of the prestigious alumni of this amazing organization.

Amy Jackson, development director, Stone Belt ARC, Inc., LBMC graduate 2009

I met people outside of any social circles I would naturally run in, which expanded my network of helpful, friendly faces around town. I learned all I need to know about how things are run and how I can get involved.

Lily Kleinlein, community volunteer, LBMC graduate 2011

LBMC was a wonderful class. It was a great way to become more connected with a community that I love.

Michael Fox, general manager, Lennie's, LBMC graduate 2009

What an amazing opportunity! Being new to Bloomington and starting a new business, I wanted to learn about the structure and history of my new community as well as make connections. It would have taken me years to achieve this goal if it were not for LBMC. The course was challenging, engaging, and a great deal of fun! I recommend LBMC to people almost every day.

Matthew Cole, Realtor and associate broker, RE/MAX Acclaimed Properties, LBMC graduate 2009

I love LBMC because of the diversity of people and their willingness to work together.

Tim Clougher, assistant director, Community Kitchen of Monroe County, LBMC graduate 2008

Going into the program I expected it to be a touchy-feely affair but it thoroughly exceeded my expectations and has changed the way I see our community, our nation, and our planet. I can't overstate that point—it has literally changed my life. It's an experience that is worth every cent, minute, and drop of sweat invested.

T.J. Deckard, assistant vice president and director of information technology, United Commerce Bank, LBMC graduate 2008

Everyone considering applying for LBMC will go through the stage of 'I don't have the time to devote to this.' I know I did and several others I know in our class had similar doubts. But I can honestly say there has been nothing more gratifying to me from a community connection standpoint since I relocated to Bloomington in 1992. I have learned so much about so many aspects of our community and I've made the most glorious friends, both professionally and personally. I can not endorse this program highly enough—the time spent is stimulating, invigorating, and energizing! I feel so much better able to appreciate the benefits of my community and able to discern how I can help serve the needs.

Jan Grant, The Lawler Center for Dental Wellness, LBMC graduate 2008
