“Next Generation 2.0 was a game changer for my career. It delivered everything promised, and so much more.”

“Next Gen 2.0 was a great opportunity to see beyond what was going on in my own neck of the woods... furthermore, I had the opportunity to learn how IUPUI really functions.”

“I found the Next Gen 2.0 Leadership program to be so invigorating to my professional development. I greatly appreciate the chance to engage in an honest, thoughtful, and directed program that builds leadership at all levels.”

These are comments from the alums of the IUPUI Next Generation 2.0 leadership program, a nine-month training that seeks to prepare them to step into and/or create leadership opportunities in their units and schools.

Next Generation 2.0 supports mid-career faculty and professional staff at IUPUI who are women and/or members of underrepresented populations who are interested in seeking leadership opportunities at IUPUI or professional development to enhance their current roles. The program seeks to address the need for a more diverse pool of leadership talent at IUPUI in the ranks of mid-level and upper administration.

Through the program, participants engage with subject matter experts drawn from IUPUI, IU, and national academic institutions to learn about topics such as the contemporary higher education environment, planning and leading change, managing strategic resources, diversity and cultural competency, higher education finance, conflict management and negotiation, and ethical leadership. Participants also have the opportunity to identify, plan, and implement a capstone project either individually or in groups that responds to an identified need of their department, the IUPUI campus, or the Indianapolis community.

Application for the 2020-21 cohort can now be made online at the program website, [here](#). Selected participants should expect to attend a two-hour orientation session in May 2019 and attend the program one Friday of the month between September 2020 and May 2021 (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.) on the IUPUI campus. Fees for the institute are paid by the unit with a match from the Office of Academic Affairs.

The deadline for submission of applications is March 15. Applications will be reviewed by the advisory board and announced the week of April 27.