Education Pioneers Seeks Third Cohort of Analytic and Management Talent for Social Impact Fellowship

Nonprofit now recruiting rising leaders to apply data and strategy skills to improve educational outcomes.

BOSTON (PRWEB) January 22, 2020 -- Education Pioneers (EP), a national nonprofit that is building and catalyzing the leadership needed to drive transformative change across the K-12 public education sector, announced today that applications are open for the 2020 Education Pioneers Impact Fellowship.

The organization is seeking talented professionals who are eager to use their data analysis and strategic project management skills to help translate visionary education strategies into effective and equitable policies that improve outcomes for children. The third cohort of the 10-month leadership development program is scheduled to begin in Fall 2020.

Launched in January 2018 and designed to attract strategic and analytic implementation capacity to the education sector in service of advancing equity and excellence in U.S. schools, Education Pioneers’ Impact Fellowship catalyzes high-potential future leaders while adding critical capacity to school districts, charter school organizations, and other education support organizations nationwide. In an increasingly data-rich and connected world, these organizations need access to in-demand professionals who can navigate complex information and data sets quickly and make findings accessible to decision-makers.

“The education sector is incredibly complex and must both perform and improve in order to equitably serve all students and schools. Education Pioneers is unique in building a pipeline of general management talent with the skills and mindsets necessary to implement transformative change,” said Melissa Wu, CEO of Education Pioneers. “Our Impact Fellowship offers partners access to professionals with sought-after and necessary skills in data analysis and strategic project management, while also investing in the career advancement of future education leaders.”

During the program, Impact Fellows complete a 10-month paid work placement with a leading education organization, where they apply their data and strategic project management experience to support organizational initiatives. Simultaneously, Fellows engage in cohort-based professional development where they gain K-12 education knowledge and practice leadership skills. Fellows become part of Education Pioneers’ nationwide network of education leaders, which includes 4,300 Alumni at all stages of their careers – 70% of whom continue to work in education following their EP Fellowship and 50% of whom self-identify as leaders of color.

Twenty-eight rising leaders are currently participating in the Impact Fellowship’s second class of Fellows. “EP has shown me a whole world of professions within the education space that I was not aware of previously. I feel much more confident about building a high impact career while also ensuring my own success and well being,” said Ali Jaffery, a 2019 Impact Fellow at Memphis Education Fund and former health care associate. Over 40% of Impact Fellows are new to the education sector; 55% of Impact Fellows identify as leaders of color.

“The education sector is facing unprecedented challenges to progress, making it even more difficult to implement the promising lessons learned over the last 10 years,” said Tracy Session, Vice President of Program at Education Pioneers. “The EP Impact Fellowship provides talented professionals with an opportunity to gain
experience and develop a deeper understanding of the education sector so that they’re equipped to tackle the complex challenges of the sector now and in the future.”

Professionals interested in the Impact Fellowship can learn more on Education Pioneers’ website at www.educationpioneers.org/ImpactFellowship. Candidates who have at least two years of work experience in strategy, data analysis, or project management, a track record of professional success, and a commitment to Education Pioneers’ core values and mission that all students receive a high-quality education can apply at www.educationpioneers.org/apply. The priority deadline is April 1, 2020.

Education Pioneers is also accepting applications for the 10-week Education Pioneers Summer Fellowship, scheduled to begin in June 2020.

Organizations who would like to host a 2020 Education Pioneers Summer Fellow or Impact Fellow may indicate interest at www.educationpioneers.org/partner.

About Education Pioneers

Education Pioneers builds the pipeline of leaders outside the classroom who enable teachers and students to be successful inside the classroom. Since 2003, Education Pioneers has recruited and trained over 4,300 leaders in partnership with more than 750 education organizations nationwide.

Of the organization’s Alumni in the workforce, more than 70 percent serve in education and lead or contribute to work that impacts public school students in major cities across the nation, most of whom are students of color and growing up in underserved areas. Learn more: www.educationpioneers.org/our-impact.
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