

# 2024 GAACC LEADERSHIP ACCELERATOR



## Join a dynamic group of young professionals leading the way for the next generation.



### BUILD AND GROW

For over a decade, the Greater Austin Asian Chamber of Commerce (GAACC) has convened multi-cultural business professionals from all levels – C-suite to young professionals – to tackle meaningful topics that include broader conversations. The GAACC Leadership Accelerator will establish an intentional and managed path to expose high-potential AAPI leaders to those topics and introduce them to key organizations, stakeholders, and critical mentors in the Central Texas region.

**Build your network and grow your leadership!**

### WHAT IS IT?

The GAACC Leadership Accelerator is an immersive nine-month program focused on empowering high-potential AAPI business and civic leaders in Austin.

Six to nine leaders will be selected to:

- Engage with the Greater Austin ecosystem
- Strengthen individual leadership skills
- Complete a project designed to impact the community.

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

Invitation to participate in this group is managed through a straightforward nomination and application process. Qualified applicants will be invited to interview with the Leadership Accelerator committee.

Once selected as a member of the Leadership Accelerator, participants will connect with regional business leaders and city officials to network and develop their leadership skills.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY?

We are looking for those who:

- Are extremely passionate about global Asian-American initiatives
- Have a leadership mindset with an impressive professional history and performance
- Have the ability to lead dialogue to enable positive, impactful change
- Have 10-15 years of professional experience
- Willingness to commit 3-5 hours per month

# LEVEL UP YOUR LEADERSHIP. BUILD YOUR NETWORK. INSPIRE YOUR COMMUNITY.

## What you gain by participating:

### GROWTH

Improve your personal effectiveness and contribute to regional economic growth, technological growth, and innovation by completing a capstone project together with your cohort.

Our goal is to create a dynamic leadership activation program that equips high-potential AAPI business and civic leaders in Central Texas. We will encourage and empower these individuals to help shape the future of our region.

The nine-month program consists of engagements with leaders from Fortune 500 companies and civic institutions through leadership classes, mentoring sessions, networking dinners, and a capstone project.

**Participation in the GAACC Leadership Accelerator is free.**

### LEADERSHIP

Enhance your personal and professional abilities in empathetic and inclusive leadership while engaging with seasoned professionals from sectors across the economy.

### MENTORSHIP

Connect with and learn from key business, community, and civic leaders. Grow your leadership network across the Central Texas region.

## MEET THE TEAM



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