

## 2027 Voyagers Program Application

### Voyagers Program Description:

The ACT-IAC Voyagers Program is a leadership development program for mid-level professionals in government and industry with high potential for future advancement. The program's goal is to develop leadership skills of government and industry leaders in their roles.

### The successful Voyager will:

- Have 7-14 years of total professional experience including in other industries or career fields.
- Be able to dedicate an average of 10-15 hours per month for Voyager activities throughout the program year.
- Be dedicated to improving their professional skills and knowledge
- Attend all required sessions. See attached program calendar for required dates and format, virtual or in-person.

### For government applicants:

- Candidates should be between GS-11 and GS-13. Newly-promoted GS-14s will also be considered.
- Applicants must be employed by a federal agency for a minimum of 1 year prior to application.
- Agencies may submit more than one employee application for consideration.

### For industry applicants:

- Applicants must be employed by a private industry company for a minimum of 1 year prior to application.
- Companies can only submit one employee application for consideration.

## **PART 1 - APPLICANT INFORMATION**

### 1. Applicant Information

- First Name:
- Last Name:
- Title:
- Company/Agency:
- City & State of residence:
- Phone: (List a phone number you can be easily reached on)
- E-mail:

2. Have you graduated from the Associates program? If yes, what year did you graduate?  
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3. Have you applied to an ACT-IAC professional development program in the past? If yes, which program? \_\_\_\_\_ Which year? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Position & Years of Experience: Which best describes your current position? PICK ONE
  - Acquisition
  - Business Development/Sales
  - Finance
  - Human Capital/Human Resources
  - Marketing
  - Operations
  - Policy/Strategy
  - Program/Project Management
  - Technical IT Management
5. Total Years of Professional Work Experience – If applicable, please include years of military experience and work experience in other careers. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Government Applicants Only. Series/Grade \_\_\_\_\_

**Education:**

7. List completed degrees, certifications and year(s) completed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer Activities:**

8. List of your volunteer activities at ACT-IAC and/or other volunteer organizations (200 word limit)
9. List your **leadership positions** at ACT-IAC and/or other volunteer organizations (200 word limit)

**PART 2 - APPLICANT QUESTIONNAIRE**

10. What is the next step in your career progression? How do you believe this professional development program will help you achieve your career goals? What do you believe you will contribute to the program? (300 word limit)
11. In looking back at your career, briefly describe some of your accomplishments and how you have been a part of leading change or leading people. (300 word limit)

12. Briefly describe what business issues are currently driving your company or agency and how you, personally, are delivering results against these challenges. (300 word limit)
13. Within your professional career, identify one experience that you would describe as a failure or disappointment as it relates to being a leader. Detail what you have learned from that experience and how you apply that knowledge to your current work. (300 word limit)
14. Briefly describe your leadership style and what skills you would like to refine through your participation in this program. (300 word limit)

### **PART 3 - SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS & SPONSOR INFORMATION**

Upload and attach the following documents. These documents are not scored and serve to provide additional information.

\_\_\_ Attach your current resume, including your education/training and employment history

\_\_\_ Attach a signed copy of the provided Sponsor Letter of Agreement. The signing sponsor must be a direct supervisor or above, who has full authority to commit your time and meet the financial obligation for the program.

\_\_\_ Attach a signed copy of the provided ACT-IAC Professional Development Code of Conduct.

#### **Sponsor Information**

- Name:
- Title:
- Phone:
- E-mail:

### **PART 4 - CONFIRMATIONS**

#### **Calendar Confirmation**

\_\_\_ I have reviewed the 2027 Voyagers calendar and certified that I am able to attend all scheduled events.

\_\_\_ I have reviewed the 2027 Voyagers calendar and **will not** be able to attend all scheduled events.

If you are not able to attend all scheduled events, please list which ones and the reasons why you cannot attend.

### **ACT-IAC Member Confirmation**

Select ONE option below:

- I am employed by a government agency
- My company is an ACT-IAC member in good standing
- My company is not an ACT-IAC member in good standing. I understand my acceptance will be conditional until good standing has been established by the beginning of the Voyagers program.

**All Applications and attachments must be submitted online by 5pm EST on August 6, 2026.**

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