

2019

SCHOOL DESIGN FELLOWSHIP



CityBridge is looking for people—either individuals or groups, from the D.C. region and across the country—who want to design **innovative and intentionally equitable schools** in D.C. With CityBridge’s coaching and support, fellows will build out their visions for schools that will enable students to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. Workshops on design and prototyping, the history and landscape of D.C. education, and the science of how people learn—plus trips to see **inspiring schools** in D.C. and other cities—will provide fellows with the tools necessary to achieve their visions. Participants will remain in their current jobs during the course of the fellowship. At the end of the fellowship in June 2020, some will be invited to join CityBridge’s Incubator to launch their schools in D.C.

WHAT WE PROVIDE

- » Personalized coaching
- » Training in equity-centered school design
- » In-depth introduction to learning science
- » Four multi-day workshops throughout the year
- » Visits to innovative schools across the country
- » Stipend for prototyping

KEY DATES

Application Deadline . . . **April 12, 2019**

Decisions . . . **Rolling beginning in May**

WHAT FELLOWS WILL BUILD

The work of the fellows will position them to establish or redesign a school that will undo inequity and provide deep, personal learning experiences for students. At the end of the fellowship, each participant will have completed:

- » A series of **prototypes** and a pilot to test key assumptions of their model
- » A **blueprint** of the learning experiences students will have in the school, as well as a **theory of change** explaining how those experiences will translate into a wide array of important outcomes
- » An **implementation plan** laying out what the founding group will do over the next several years to realize the design of their school

CONTACT US //

To learn more, go to:
citybridge.org/apply

Reach out to us at:
contactus@citybridge.org

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- » School leaders at an **assistant principal level or above** (If applying as a group, only one member need be at this level.)
- » Individuals or groups with a clear **understanding of an important set of problems** that students face and a passion for creating new solutions
- » People committed to **challenging our country's ongoing narrative of disinheritance** for some children based on their race, class, or story
- » People who can devote a **minimum of 3 hours per week** to Fellowship work during the year

WE'RE LOOKING FOR

- » People who want to **found new charter schools** in D.C.
- » Leaders of D.C. **charter management organizations** who want to launch schools in their network based on a fundamentally **different design**



ABOUT CITYBRIDGE EDUCATION

CityBridge Education is a Washington, D.C.-based non-profit whose mission is to **advance equity and opportunity for children**. We do that by reimagining public education—starting with the creation of innovative public schools, right here in the nation's capital. Our work is bringing to market the next generation of innovative public schools for the city. By adding excellent new schools that appeal to families across racial, socioeconomic, and neighborhood lines, we can help the city capitalize on a golden opportunity to address the race- and class-based separation prevalent in our current public education system.