

2022-2023 STATE AFFILIATE MENTOR REQUIREMENTS

NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION ORGANIZING FELLOW ACADEMY

- Must be willing to commit to a one-year mentoring assignment with a fellow selected from the state.
- Must be in good standing with management, peers, leaders, and members in the state affiliate in which the fellow is assigned.
- Must have proven experience engaging with diverse members, staff, and leaders to promote trust, collaboration, and partnership.
- Must be skilled practitioners in the practice of self-awareness and ability to assess their impact on others.
- Must be familiar with and proficient in the [UniServ Core Competencies](#).
- Must be aware of and sensitive to issues of diversity and potential impacts based on those differences.
- Must engage in ongoing learning and practice of social justice and race equity issues, legislation, and proven practices needed to navigate policies for social change as well as connect with others.
- Must engage in crucial conversations about the challenges facing people holding marginalized identities in the real situations staff can encounter.
- Must be able to provide the fellow with feedback in real time on performance that will allow the fellow to learn and grow throughout the program.
- Must support the fellow in the development, implementation, and adjustment of an individual organizing work plan to be submitted to NEA.
- Must provide opportunities for the fellow to engage in organizing campaigns and field experiences in alignment with the program's training content.
- Must identify and ensure access to in-state training opportunities to support the fellow's growth and development relevant to state affiliate priorities.
- Must participate in an initial 2-to-3-day training session on the best practices of mentoring hosted by NEA. In addition, mentors must be available for all other trainings and experiences throughout the program as needed.
- Must participate in regularly scheduled check-ins with the NEA coach that will be assigned to each state affiliate.
- Must complete a midterm and an end of program report of recommendations for program improvement, fellow's progress and support needs and any other information as requested by the program's administrative team.
- Must attend the end of program debrief with the mentee hosted by NEA.