



Leadership Laurentian

Presented by the Laurentian Chamber of Commerce

The Laurentian Chamber of Commerce introduces Leadership Laurentian, a brand-new leadership development program launching in October 2025. This immersive, nine-month experience is designed to cultivate personal leadership growth while exploring the challenges, opportunities, and future of the Iron Range.

With original curriculum surrounding the 7 Pillars of Influence, modeled after executive coach Justin Thompson's 7 Pillars of Leadership, Leadership Laurentian equips participants with the tools to lead with character, courage, confidence, communication, culture, competence, and coaching. Each monthly session blends leadership training with real-world perspectives from across our region's business, government, nonprofit, and community sectors.

Who Should Attend

- Business owners, managers, and civic leaders
- Emerging leaders and high-potential employees
- Individuals committed to long-term leadership and stewardship of the region

Program Snapshot

Participants will:

- Build lasting relationships with peers across industries
- Gain behind-the-scenes access to Iron Range institutions and employers
- Develop leadership practices grounded in values, communication, and confidence
- Explore how leaders shape culture, inspire teams, and leave a lasting legacy

Sessions are held once a month from October 28, 2025 through June 2026.

Commitment

Leadership Laurentian requires full participation in each monthly session. Please review your schedule before applying. Only one absence is permitted.

Investment

The inaugural program rate is just \$999 per participant. This includes all course materials, assessments, meals, guest speakers, and facilitated sessions.

Why It Matters

Leadership programs strengthen more than individuals—they strengthen communities. By investing in leadership development, we invest in a stronger workforce, more resilient businesses, and a more vibrant Iron Range.

Cohort 1 Class Dates

Date	Focus Area
October 28–29	Kickoff • Human Services & Nonprofits
November 18	Tourism, Arts & Culture
January 20	Business & Economic Development
February 17	Health & Wellness
March 17	Education
April 21	Government
May 19	Mining & Manufacturing
June 16	Project Presentation & Graduation

More information can be found at <https://www.laurentianchamber.org/leadership-laurentian/>

SUBMIT YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO: president@laurentianchamber.org

APPLICATION DEADLINE: October 21, 2025

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