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**AMERICAN HOME FURNISHINGS HALL OF FAME OPENS REGISTRATION FOR THE  
HOME FURNISHINGS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE AT HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY: FEBRUARY 20 - 24, 2022**

**HIGH POINT, N.C., Sept. 15, 2021** – The American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame has opened nominations for its inaugural American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Leadership Institute at High Point University on February 20 to 24, 2022. Nominations close on Oct. 31, 2021.

Candidates must be under 40 years of age and should be viewed as a proven leader, an innovator, a focused achiever and committed to the home furnishings industry as a career.

Fashioned after the prestigious Harvard Business School Seminar for the Young President’s Organization and Chief Executives Organization – attended by many leaders in our industry – the Leadership Institute is founded on the power and impact of peer learning gained through focused tutorial seminars. It is designed for serious emerging leaders across the industry who aspire to greater achievement and who want to be exposed to new ways of thinking and problem solving.

The Leadership Institute will focus on the four pillars of leadership skills as agents of change: vision, communication, execution and culture. Select faculty from the Earl N. Phillips School of Business and the Nido R. Qubein School of Communications will lead a combination of lectures and discussions. In addition, the Institute will build on the legacy of our inducted members of the Hall of Fame by connecting them in classes with the industry’s finest emerging leaders. Participants who attend three institutes will be honored as an American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Leadership Institute Fellow and will be awarded a graduation certificate and digital badge.

Tuition for the Leadership Institute is \$6,000, which includes room, board and materials. Classes and discussion groups will utilize the new state-of-the-art Nido and Mariana Qubein Arena and Conference Center and the adjoining Jana and Ken Kahn Hotel on the HPU campus. Twenty-five emerging leaders will be selected from a nominated pool of candidates for a challenging seminar of peer learning based on the practice of successful home furnishings leadership.

To nominate a candidate, visit:

<https://www.homefurnishingshalloffame.com/homefurnishingsleadershipinstitute>

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**About High Point University:**

At High Point University, every student receives an extraordinary education in an inspiring environment with caring people.® HPU, located in the Piedmont Triad region of North Carolina, is a liberal arts institution with 5,600 undergraduate and graduate students. It is ranked No. 1 by U.S. News and

World Report for Best Regional Colleges in the South and No. 1 for Most Innovative Regional Colleges in the South. The Princeton Review named HPU in the 2021 edition of “The Best 386 Colleges” and on the Best Southeastern Colleges “2021 Best Colleges: Region by Region” list. HPU was recognized as a Great School for Business Majors and a Great School for Communication Majors. HPU was also recognized for Best College Dorms (No. 1), Most Beautiful Campus (No. 9), Best Career Services (No. 19) and Most Active Student Government (No. 19). For 10 years in a row, HPU has been named a College of Distinction with special recognition for career development, business and education programs, and The National Council on Teacher Quality ranks HPU’s elementary education program as one of the best in the nation. The university has 60 undergraduate majors, 63 undergraduate minors and 14 graduate degree programs. It is a member of the NCAA, Division I and the Big South Conference. Visit High Point University on the web at [highpoint.edu](http://highpoint.edu).

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**About the Hall of Fame:**

The American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc., is an industry-wide organization founded to preserve its history, to celebrate exceptional individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to the U.S. home furnishings industry, and to inspire a new class of innovation and leadership. Membership includes eligibility to nominate candidates for consideration by the Selection Committee, and the opportunity to help preserve the history and heritage of the industry. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, funds support our history and leadership programming. The organization currently is based in High Point, North Carolina, at 202 Neal Place, Suite 101, and can be reached at 336.882.5900. Watch for ongoing developments and details about the grand opening of a new permanent home, which is targeted for 2023.

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