

ASPIRE - Student Leadership Program

“Accelerating Student Participation in the Rural Economy”



COMMUNITY COLLEGE ALLIANCE
FOR AGRICULTURE ADVANCEMENT



Whether it be through volunteer opportunities or public service career opportunities, we want to participants to:

- Engage with real-world issues in your rural community, focusing on local perspectives and challenges.
- Work with a community leader/mentor.
- Network with other college students across the Midwest.
- Develop leadership skills and advocate for agriculture.
- Expand your network by engaging with mentors, industry leaders, and policymakers while enhancing communication for effective advocacy.

What'll you do?

- Attend C2A3 Conference (Sept. 14-16, 2025 in Wausau, WI).
- Participate in USDA Outlook Forum and network with federal officials and issues of importance in agriculture and rural America (Feb. 2026 in Washington, D.C.).
- Join two 1-hour webinars on community and economic development issues.
- Participate in a community based project and submit a report or portfolio showcasing your work.
- Meet at least twice with a local community mentor for support and feedback.

“Empowering Rural Leaders for Tomorrow’s Challenges”

Apply Today!



Spots are limited.



Participation is September 2025 through February 2026.



Each college is expected to support 4-5 students as part of this experience for a total of 40 students across the Midwest.

Your Leadership. Your Community. Your Impact.
For more information and to apply:
<https://agalliance.net/projects/aspire-student-leadership-program/>



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