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## Education Pioneers Plans to Grow Analyst Fellowship by Over 40 Percent to Meet Data Demand in Education

*National nonprofit to select and place largest cohort to date to provide critical data and analysis capacity to leading education organizations*

**Oakland, Calif.—** Education Pioneers, a national nonprofit with a bold vision to transform education into the best led and managed sector in the U.S., announced today that it will grow its 2014 [Analyst Fellowship](#) by over 40 percent this year to meet demand in the education sector for more data experts. The organization is seeking more than 120 top emerging leaders with strong analytical skills for the prestigious leadership development program.

A 2013 Education Pioneers report, [The Invisible Lever: A Profile of Leadership and Management Talent in Education](#), found that nearly 60 percent of Education Pioneers Alumni working full-time in the education sector described their roles as analytically focused. Nearly half of their data analysis focuses on academic performance, such as student achievement, teacher effectiveness, and college readiness; and half focuses on core business data such as finance, human resources, and operations.

In addition, Education Pioneers has seen a significant increase in requests for talented data experts from its Partner education organizations. To provide more education organizations with critical analytical capacity to make data-informed decisions, Education Pioneers is growing the 2014 cohort significantly.

“Education Pioneers launched the Analyst Fellowship in 2010 in response to the education sector’s acute need for analytic leaders, and demand has increased significantly since then,” said Scott Morgan, Founder and CEO of Education Pioneers. “As we work to provide leading education organizations with the talented people they need to advance teaching and learning results, increasing the number of analytical experts who can help make data-informed decisions is a top priority.”

[Applications](#) for the 10-month, paid 2014 Analyst Fellowship (September 2014 – July 2015) opened in early December; interested candidates may attend [local receptions in January](#) or [numerous recruiting webinars](#) to learn more about the program, and [apply via the Education Pioneers website](#) before the priority round deadline on February 14, 2014.

Results from the most recent cohort of Analyst Fellows demonstrate that Education Pioneers is successfully helping emerging leaders from diverse personal and professional backgrounds who have robust analytical skills find their path in education while they make an immediate impact in the field.

Of Fellows who completed the program in 2013, nearly all (98 percent) reported that they are more prepared for a high-impact career in education as a result of their Education Pioneers Fellowship, and 93 percent rated their overall Fellowship experience as excellent or good. All Fellows (100 percent) reported that they are aware of different career paths

in education as a result of the Fellowship, a 37 percent increase from pre-Fellowship reporting.

Fellowship project supervisors also reported high satisfaction rates: 92 percent reported that their Analyst Fellow worked on a high value data project; 84 percent stated that their Fellow increased the effectiveness or efficiency of their program or department; and 85 percent agreed that hiring their Analyst Fellow was well worth the financial investment.

Since Education Pioneers' founding, more than 2,000 of the organization's Fellows have brought their unique skill sets to more than 180 education organizations nationwide through Education Pioneers' education leadership development programs, including the Analyst Fellowship and the Graduate School Fellowship. During their Fellowships, Fellows work outside of the classroom to advance or complete mission-critical initiatives that support teaching and learning results.

Beyond their Fellowships, more than 70 percent of the organization's Alumni in the workforce have remained in the education sector, representing a significant and forward-thinking segment of emerging educational leaders and managers who guide the work of school districts, charter school networks, and other education organizations.

### **About Education Pioneers**

Education Pioneers mobilizes and prepares a national network of talented leaders and managers to accelerate excellence in education and transform our educational systems to equip all students with the skills they need to thrive in college, career and life. Through the organization's Fellowship and Alumni programs, Education Pioneers increases the talent supply of top leaders in education to improve the leadership capacity in key education organizations—such as school districts, charter school organizations, and nonprofits—and to advance our goal to make education the best led and managed sector in the U.S. To fuel this vision, Education Pioneers plans to build a network of 10,000 leaders in education by 2023, and connect the leaders in its network with high-impact leadership roles in key organizations across the education sector.

More information about Education Pioneers can be found at [www.educationpioneers.org](http://www.educationpioneers.org)

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