



Senior Policy Fellowship

Colorado Succeeds is a non-profit, non-partisan coalition of business leaders committed to transforming the state's public education system. We believe that every student in Colorado deserves access to high-performing schools that prepare them to succeed in a competitive global economy. Our work provides the policy, advocacy and accountability supports necessary to make this ambitious goal a reality.

Senior Policy Fellowship:

The senior fellowship provides an important opportunity to work closely with major stakeholders to impact state education policy. The fellowship offers diverse and challenging responsibilities, including:

- **Policy Research & Analysis.** A successful candidate should have demonstrated higher education policy experience and can perform high-quality policy research and write clearly and convincingly about these topics. Research tasks will include assessing current higher education laws and policies, and identification of opportunities to make the higher education system more agile and more aligned with workforce demands. Other areas of research may include: statutes and proposed legislation; national and Colorado-specific policy reports; Colorado Department of Higher Education research and data.
- **Conducting Informant Interviews and supporting policy feedback sessions.** To inform research, the fellow will assist in conducting key informant interviews with local and national leaders. The fellow will be responsible for communicating directly with local stakeholder organizations on behalf of Colorado Succeeds to accomplish these responsibilities. The fellow will also support staff in executing feedback sessions where policy prototypes will be refined with key partners.

Qualifications

- Previous professional experience related to higher education policy. Specific policy experience and interest in addressing systemic barriers and opportunities around funding, incentives, accreditation, stackability, prior learning, transfer of credit, and overall equity issues within the system is a plus.
- Passionate about improving Colorado's higher education system
- Strong communication (written and verbal) and critical thinking skills – able to express ideas in a logical, coherent manner to a variety of audiences
- Resourceful, detail-oriented, and hard-working – able to apply creativity and thoughtfulness into projects with minimal guidance
- Self-starter that works well independently and in teams in an often fast-paced work environment

Details

We are looking for someone who can commit to a minimum of 15 hours a week for at least three months. The position pays a competitive monthly stipend.

To Apply

Interviews will be offered on a rolling basis. Colorado Succeeds is an equal opportunity employer. Interested applicants should submit a brief cover letter and resume to: kcaufield@coloradosucceeds.org Please indicate "Senior Policy Fellow" in the subject line.