

The Errin J Vuley Fellows Program (EVFP) is a leadership development program launched by **Feminist Women's Health Center (FWHC)** in 2017. Errin J. Vuley was the first Community Engagement Coordinator (1997-1999) at FWHC. **EVFP** uses a reproductive justice framework to strengthen and build leadership skills and knowledge and especially honors Errin's passions – abortion access, trans justice, and racial justice.

<https://www.feministcenter.org/errin-j-vuley-fellows-program/>

Monthly Events

Fellows meet monthly for interactive workshops that progress from expanding their knowledge and skills to opportunities to apply what they've learned and showcase their collaborative work.

Social Justice Networking

Local organizers, community leaders, and staff from social justice organizations guest facilitate, helping to expand the fellows' network.

Launch Forward Awards

Fellows receive a modest "starter kit" with small funding or tools to complete a project or launch a social justice initiative.



APPLY EVFP 2019

Click here for an online application form.

An ideal participant...

- seeks to expand their experience in reproductive justice.
- wants to strengthen their knowledge and skills and hopes to contribute their knowledge and skills to the growth of their co-fellows.
- expresses an interest in expanding their contribution to social justice.

**Extensive previous experience and knowledge of reproductive justice is not required; however, a fellow should be comfortable with FWHC's values and initiatives promoting reproductive justice.*

Program Contact:

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Leadership Development Coordinator

Program Dates:

- **Application Period:**
Jan. 14, 2019 – Feb. 18, 2019
- *Any interviews will be scheduled on a rolling basis throughout the application period.*
- Saturday, March 9, 2019; 2:00pm-5:00pm
- Saturday, April 27, 2019; 2:00pm-5:00pm
- Saturday, May 18, 2019; 2:00pm-5:00pm
- Retreat: Saturday, June 8 to Sunday, June 9
- Saturday, July 13; 2:00pm-5:00pm
- Saturday, August 8; 2:00pm-5:00pm
- Saturday, September 14; 2:00pm-5:00pm
- October: Individual Check-ins, no monthly event.
- November: Date to be determined
- Saturday, December 7; 2:00pm-5:00pm

Attendance Policy:

Please review all program dates prior to applying.

- Attendance is strongly encouraged and preferred for all monthly events to the benefit of all participants and guest facilitators.
- Only one absence is acceptable prior to the June retreat. Attendance is mandatory for a two day (not overnight) retreat in June.
- Absences may affect fellowship status and culminating Launch Forward Award.

#VulleyFellows

**2019 Application
Errin J. Vuley Fellows Program**

“By weaving our passions and pieces of ourselves, we could see how we could come together as a group to accomplish our goals.” #VuleyFellows

1. Name:

2. Email:

3. Phone number:

4. Are you currently employed?

Yes

No

Seeking Employment

5. If employed, what is the name of your employer?

6. Are you currently in school?

Yes

No

Intend to enroll by Fall 2019

7. If you are in school, what school and degree program?

STORYTELLING

1. What is your preferred storytelling medium for (e.g., music, prose, visual art, poetry, play, movie, dance, comics, etc.) ...
a. telling stories?

b. receiving stories?

2. Imagine you are a museum curator and you are curating exhibits for a reproductive justice exhibit.

(a) Step one: come up with an essential message you would want visitors to take away from your exhibit.

(b) Step two: Describe three elements (e.g, photographs, quotes, videos, newspaper articles, etc.) you will incorporate in your exhibit to tell your story and convey your exhibit's message.

YOUR STORY

1. Choose one word to represent each:

(a) your past:

(b) your present:

(c) your future:

Source: Stephanie Y. Evans for Purple Pens Poetry Workshop (2015), youthSpark.

2. How does reproductive justice connect with your identities? Use the following prompt to explore and convey how reproductive justice connects with your identities:

“I am from a body that...”

Source: Western States Center's, We are BRAVE Toolkit: A manual for Organizations of Color to
Champion Abortion Coverage and Reproductive Justice

Example:

“Zakia Williams: Thank you for having us here today. I am from a body that ate beans and rice growing up when my parents couldn't make rent, I am a first generation college student who will be receiving a master's degree next year. People assume that because I am a black women that I am angry, people assume that I grew up in the hood and that I am a stereotype, people assume that because I am educated that I am no longer engaged in the struggle. You can learn from me, that person that is terrified of public speaking can be speaking in front of you today. You can learn from me that being quiet doesn't mean that I can't speak volumes. You can learn from me that sharing your story can be the most powerful tool in healing. I am Zakia I stand for black lives all black lives, lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer and Trans black lives.”

Source: A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Portland, Oregon was held this 20th day of April, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.from recorded minutes.

USING YOUR STORY TO LEAD

1. What do you believe is the relationship between storytelling and leadership?

COMMITMENTS

1. I have read and understand the attendance policy.

I agree with the above statement.

I disagree with the above statement.

2. I understand, affirm, and stand behind Feminist Women's Health Center's values and initiatives promoting reproductive justice.

I agree with the above statement.

I disagree with the above statement.

NEXT STEPS

Submit your

- (1) Application
- (2) Resume and
- (3) Contact information for one reference

Via email to Leigh Bond at leighb@feministcenter.org. Email any questions or concerns too.

All requested materials will be reviewed as received. There are a limited number of spots available for participation in EVFP. Feminist Women's Health Center does not discriminate on the basis of gender identification, gender expression, race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or disease, marital status, height, or weight.

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