

UWIL UMass Women into Leadership

2019 Workshop Schedule

Friday, March 22, 2019

All sessions in the Multipurpose Room of the Old Chapel, unless noted

12:45 PM – 1:00 PM **Check in and Welcome**

1:00 PM – 1:45 PM **Business Etiquette**

There is no way around it, first impressions matter. This session will help you understand what expectations exist in a professional setting and help you manage interactions with prospective colleagues, supervisors, interviewers, and others who can influence your own career.

- **Kaylee Johnson**, UWIL Graduate Assistant

2:00 PM – 3:15 PM **Jumping In: Serving on Boards and Commissions**

Joining a board or commission can be a great first step into politics and policy. This panel will discuss how to identify opportunities, what is it like to serve on a board or commission, what skills participation on these boards or commissions can teach you, and what voices are commonly missing from boards and commissions.

- **Samalid Hogan '03**, Member, Governor's Latino Advisory Commission and Regional Director, MA Small Business Development Center
- **Vanessa Otero '09G**, Member, Governor's Latino Advisory Commission and Springfield Water and Sewer Commission, and Chief Operating Officer, Partners for Community
- **Arlene Rodriguez '04PhD**, Former Commissioner, Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls and Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs at Cape Cod Community College
- **Azanda Seymour '03**, Member, Governor's Black Advisory Commission and Director, Urban Education, Westfield State University
- Moderator: **Karen Maher '05**, Director, Capital Plan Management, New York City School Construction Authority

3:15 PM – 3:30 PM **Break**

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM Priming the Pipeline: “First” Women in Politics

In celebration of UWIL’s 5th anniversary, we have brought together a panel of women who are the first to hold an office, win an election, or make a significant impact on politics and policy. These political leaders will reflect on their experiences in politics and offer advice for the next generation of political leaders.

- **Mehreen Butt**, Councilor, Wakefield, MA and 1st American Muslim woman elected to a Municipality in Massachusetts
- **Madeleine Kunin ’56**, 1st female Governor of Vermont and 1st Jewish Governor in the US
- **Beth Lindstrom**, Former candidate MA Senate; 1st Woman to be Executive Director of the MA State Lottery; 1st Woman to be Executive Director of the MA Republican Party
- **Therese Murray**, President and CEO, Massignite and 1st Woman Elected MA Senate President
- **Rachael Rollins ’94**, District Attorney, Suffolk County; 1st Woman to be DA in Suffolk County; 1st Woman of Color to be DA in MA; 1st woman and person of color to be Chief Legal Counsel of the MA Port Authority; 1st female General Counsel at MBTA
- **Lisa Wong**, Town Manager, Winchester, MA and 1st Asian American Woman Elected Mayor in MA
- Moderator: **Lindsay E. Higgins ’07**, Alderman, Woburn City Council

5:00 PM – 5:30 PM Break

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM Women in Public Leadership Dinner - Networking Reception
Location: Marriott Center, 11th Floor Campus Center

6:30 PM – 7:00 PM Women in Public Leadership Dinner - Speaking Program
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- Welcome: **Michelle Goncalves ’06G**, Executive Director
- Welcome: **Kumble R. Subbaswamy**, Chancellor, UMass Amherst
- Student Speaker: **Hannah Dudley-Youngs ’19**, UWIL 2018 Alumna
- Featured Speaker: **Madeleine Kunin ’56**, 77th Governor of Vermont, former US Ambassador to Switzerland, and former US Deputy Secretary of Education

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM Women in Public Leadership Dinner - Dinner, Dessert Buffet, and Networking
Location: Marriott Center, 11th Floor Campus Center

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