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1	Sept. 20, 21, 22, 23, 2015 Sun/Mon/Tue/ Wed	<b>Guelph</b>	<b>Leadership – Theory &amp; Application</b> The case for leadership and developing a positive awareness of yourself as a leader in your community and behaviours for success
2	Nov. 20, 21, 22, 2015 Fri. evening/ Sat/ Sun	<b>Peterborough</b> (Partners/ Spouses/ Significant others to attend)	<b>Personality, Self-Understanding and Development</b> Understanding yourself and others to work together effectively for the benefit of the individual, the family and the community
3	Jan. 17, 18, 19, 2016 / (Optional Jan 20) Sun/Mon/Tue/ Optional Wed	<b>Chatham</b>	<b>Shaping the Future, Dynamics of Change - Decision Making and Responsibility</b> Vision and strategic planning for the future of agriculture & food industries and the rural community; Forces of change in society; understanding and managing change and how it influences decision making and the responsibilities of leadership
4	Feb. 28, 29, March 1, 2, 2016 Sun/Mon/Tue/ Wed	<b>Ottawa</b>	<b>Federal Government; Globalization &amp; Trade</b> Canadian government: People, Policies, Programs; Globalization & Trade: New and Emerging Realities
5	Apr. 17, 18, 19, 2016 (Optional April 20) Sun/Mon/Tue/ Optional Wed	<b>Elk Lake</b>	<b>Examining &amp; Dealing with the Issues</b> Strategies for analyzing and dealing with issues facing society - ethically, locally, nationally and internationally
	Jul. 4 – 14, 2016	Study Travel (8 to 14 days in length) <i>Destination to be determined</i>	<b>Understanding Canadian/American Relations</b> Varying approaches to agriculture, trade, policy development, rural development, resource and social policies ( <b>Destination: TBD</b> )
6	Oct. 23, 24, 25, 2016 / (Optional Oct. 26) Sun/Mon/Tue/ Optional Wed	<b>Toronto</b> (With LEAD NY)	<b>Provincial / State Political Processes, Urban Society &amp; Media</b> Provincial government & US State government, agricultural policies, urban issues and working effectively with the media
7	Jan. 15, 16, 17, 2017 Sun/Mon/Tue	<b>Niagara Falls</b>	<b>Making Your Case &amp; Modeling Leadership</b> Issue Analysis presentations and exploration of leadership styles and lessons of experience
	Feb. 15 – Mar 1, 2017	Study Travel (8 to 14 days in length) <i>Destination to be determined</i>	<b>Political, Economic and Cultural Comparisons</b> Global awareness; understanding our own society and others. ( <b>Destination: TBD</b> )
8	April 6, 7, 8, 2017 *Thurs. evening, April 6: Stewart Lecture Fri/Sat	<b>London</b>	<b>A Look Ahead</b> Graduation; How will you use the knowledge and skills you have acquired through your experience in AALP? <i>Participants will be involved in the organization and delivery of this seminar.</i>

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**NOTES:**

- Slight modifications may be made on dates, locations and themes as may be necessary
- Participants' spouses or life partners are invited and encouraged to participate in Seminar #2 and Seminar #8
- Some seminars include a "Grad Day" - a professional development opportunity for all AALP Grads

**B) Webinars/Distance Learning Modules**

Seven or more one hour webinars will be offered/ coordinated/ promoted during the class program outside of seminars. While not mandatory class members are strongly encouraged to participate.

The program also involves participation in various web-based and/ or email assignments for seminar & study tour preparation and follow-up, discussion forums, conversations, project and activity planning with classmates, ROI office, curriculum team and LEAD New York participants.

**C) Self-Directed Class Project**

The self-directed class project(s) will provide participants with the opportunity to sharpen your analytical, problem solving, research, critical thinking, communications and planning skills while working on a project of importance to you and your AALP class members and to the agricultural, agri-food and rural community in Ontario.

**D) As an AALP Graduate – You get a lifetime of quality leadership opportunities**

As an AALP graduate, you will have access to a variety of opportunities. Your investment pays back dividends both while in the program and for the rest of your life. These opportunities include:

- Invitation to attend and participate in a variety of educational leadership opportunities and professional development sessions.
- Invitation to social functions in association with AALP fund raising activities and seminars.
- Ability to use the AALP Logo on your business cards
- Participation in a variety of current class activities such as the Curriculum Team, Dream Auction Committee, the Rural Ontario Institute Board of Directors, Recruitment and Marketing Teams.
- Periodical professional leadership updates by email
- Credit and advance standing of 2 MA / MBA elective courses through the University of Guelph College of Management and Economics

**An OAC Alumni Membership and More.....**

Advanced Agricultural Leadership Program graduates are presented with a University of Guelph certificate from the Office of Open Learning, an Award of Achievement from the Rural Ontario Institute and are eligible for membership in the Ontario Agricultural College (OAC) Alumni Association.

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