

Joseph Alessi, a non-profit management professional with a focus on educational programming, will lead the Congressional App Challenge (CAC) as the program prepares for its first competition under the 116th Congress. Mr. Alessi joins the Internet Education Foundation (IEF), the CAC's official coordinator, as Program Director. The CAC is a congressional initiative to encourage student engagement in coding and computer science through an annual series of concurrent contests hosted by Members of Congress.

Mr. Alessi is a career non-profit management professional, transforming the educational initiatives of educational foundations, trade associations, and political advocacy organizations. He joins IEF from the Zeta Psi Educational Foundation, where he recast their Leadership Training Program into a multi-platform membership development program serving all stages of the undergraduate lifecycle.

Mr. Alessi, a 2011 graduate of the University of Maryland's College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, holds a degree in Government and Politics with a supporting sequence in Sociology. He resides in the District of Columbia.

