

TO OUR SUPPORTERS

Thank you for making Fiscal Year 2018* the most successful year to date for Columbia College's Young Leaders Council.

We have come a long way since our inception in 2012 when we began our efforts with only six dedicated members. At the close of FY18, we are happy to report our growth to 71 members on both coasts. This fiscal year marked the launch of our Bay Area Chapter in September 2017 with our inaugural kickoff event hosted by Heather Meyerdirk CC'06. Throughout the year we held a total of seven events in both California and New York. Our capacity for expansion is the direct result of your participation and generosity.

Your gifts have gone to support important Columbia College programs including providing generous financial aid packages, expanding student services, enhancing the Core Curriculum and creating stipends for student internships. YLC giving reached a record \$300,000 for the Columbia College Fund which represents roughly 18 percent of the total recent alumni population (1-20 years out) giving.

The close of FY18 signified a new chapter for the YLC as **Kevin Galligan '05** and **Thomas Meister '09** were elected as the co-chairs following the successful tenure of **Tyler Boyd '06** and **Michael Brown '06**. We will continue to build upon past efforts as we look forward to expanding to even more cities with a member goal of more than 100 in FY19. Thank you for all you do for the Young Leaders Council and Columbia College.

With Gratitude.

Kevin Galligan '05, YLC Board Co-Chair

Thomas Meister '09, YLC Board Co-Chair

Tyler Boyd '06, YLC Board Co-Chair Emeritus

Michael Brown '06, YLC Board Chair Emeritus

FISCAL YEAR 2018 HIGHLIGHTS







September 2017 marked the launch of the Bay Area Chapter of the Young Leaders Council. This began with a kickoff event in San Francisco (pictured above) which attracted eight new council members. Since then, we have welcomed 19 total members to the Bay Area Chapter.

The Young Leaders Council hosted seven events in 2018 in California and New York. One highlight was the Sports Media Industry panel hosted at the Penn Club in New York featuring three female leaders in the industry and attracted 35 guests.



Marie Donoghue CC'87, LW'91 Vice President of Sports Video, Amazon



Leslie Gittess Brodsky CC'88, P'23 Founder of Blue Sky Media NYC

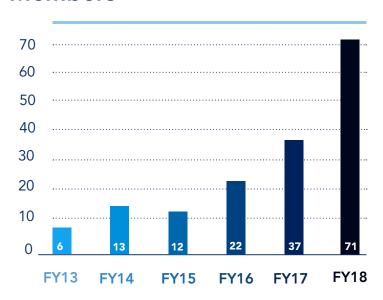


Danielle Maged CC'89, BU'97

Executive Vice President of
Global Partnerships, Fox Network Group

PROGRAM AND RESULTS

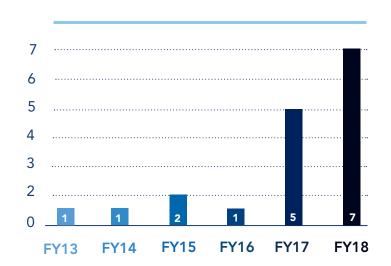
Members



The Young Leaders Council grew to 71 Members at the close of FY18.

This 92 percent increase from FY17 is a direct result of the hard work by the Young Leaders Council Board of Directors and the Office of Alumni and Development to increase membership and educate additional recent alumni about the council. We continue to cultivate relationships and expect an even greater increase in FY19.

Events



The Young Leaders Council hosted five events in New York City in FY18 and two events in the Bay Area marking the first expansion to the west coast. The events brought together more than 148 alumni and seven distinguished guest speakers. Among the highlights this year were our inaugural Bay Area Kickoff Event and a Discussion with Doug Cifu CC'87, LW'90 co-founder and CEO of Virtu Financial.

PROGRAM AND RESULTS

Dollars Raised



The Young Leaders Council raised \$300,584 in FY18 which represents roughly 18 percent of the \$1.64 million total recent alumni dollars raised in FY18.

As the group continues to grow in areas like San Francisco, we anticipate this number to increase. None of this success would be possible without the support of Columbia College Young Leaders Council donors and staff. We are thrilled with our results in FY18 and are excited for the future.

OUR IMPACT

WHERE COLUMBIA COLLEGE FUND DOLLARS GO

55% FINANCIAL AID 30% STUDENT SERVICES

14% CORE CURRICULUM 1% STIPENDS FOR INTERNSHIPS

SUPPORT FOR FINANCIAL AID

- y full need financial aid policy
- » need-blind admissions policy
- » current-use financial aid scholarships

SUPPORT FOR STUDENT LIFE

- » community-building activities in residence halls
- » stress-relief programming during midterms
- » leadership retreats for students

SUPPORT FOR THE CORE

- class outings and offcampus programming
- » travel funds for student research
- » core faculty training and workshops

SUPPORT FOR INTERNSHIPS

- » professional development training
- housing support for unpaid interns
- industry exploration experiences

"The fact that I am even able to dream this high is due to the generosity of donors. When I received my acceptance letter, and then later my financial aid package, it was the first time that I let myself see my dream as a possibility. It is because of donors like you that I am able to continue to pursue my dreams at the school that I always hoped, but never thought that I would be able to attend."

- Hannah Adeoye CC'20

THE TEAM AS OF JUNE 30, 2018*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tyler Boyd '06 **Co-Chair** Michael Brown '06 **Co-Chair** Alisa Wood '01 **Chair Emeritus**

Eric Allbin '01

Randy Berkowitz '04

Ganesh Betanabhatla '06

Francesca Bodini '06

Caitlin Brodie '06

Zecki Dossal '02

Avram Drori '04

Kevin Galligan '05

Andrew Heinrich '13

Megan Lundy '08

Thomas Meister '09

Heather Meyerdirk '06

Vijay Mohan '01

Sumana Rao '08

Lisa Heffner Scolnik '06

Geoff Williams '03

Alastair Wood '01

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STAFF

Alison Hillier Hayes '08

Senior Associate Director, Recent

Alumni and Student Giving

Amanda Lasker

Director of Development Initiatives

COUNCIL MEMBERS

7ila Acosta-Grimes '11

Ram Ahluwalia '01

Tala Akhavan '13

Jeremy Banon '13

Matt Barsamian '07

Katie Day Benevenuto '03

Christian Capasso '07

Sarah Coleman '15

Carlos Cuevas '05

Adrian Demko '07

Stephanie Davis Demko '09

Ravi Desai '05

Erica Dorfman '11

Mariele Dunn '11

Tommy Enright '03

Samantha Feingold-Criss '07

Sarah Gitlin '13

Thomas Gorman '04

Brian Grimes '11

Stephanie Hagio '06

Lauren Heller '01

Keith Hernandez '07

Sonia Hirdaramani '02

Adria Hou '02

Oleg Ilichev '04

Janice Mok Ince '01

lan Jay '05

Mallory Jensen '05

Christopher Jones '07

Arvind Kadaba '07

Arjun Kapoor '09

Venkat Kausik '13

Jon Keehner '00

John Kenney '13

Michelle Klein '02

Scott Koonin '02

Kevin Lawi '00

David Matteini '01

Rob Meyerhoff '06

David Morgan '12

Dan Moss '03

Nathania Nisonson '03

Susan Phan '12

Preston Pohl '03

Azhar Quader '02

Carter Reum '03

Adam Rozencwają '06

Diana Benton Schechter '05

David Seidman '06

Dan Shapiro '07

Tao Tan '07

David Toledano '05

Miklos Vasarhelyi '04

Paul Wang '12

Charlotte Evans Will '03

John Zaro '05

Kevin Zhang '14

^{*} For a full list of current members and to see upcoming events, go to college.columbia.edu/alumni/ylc.

