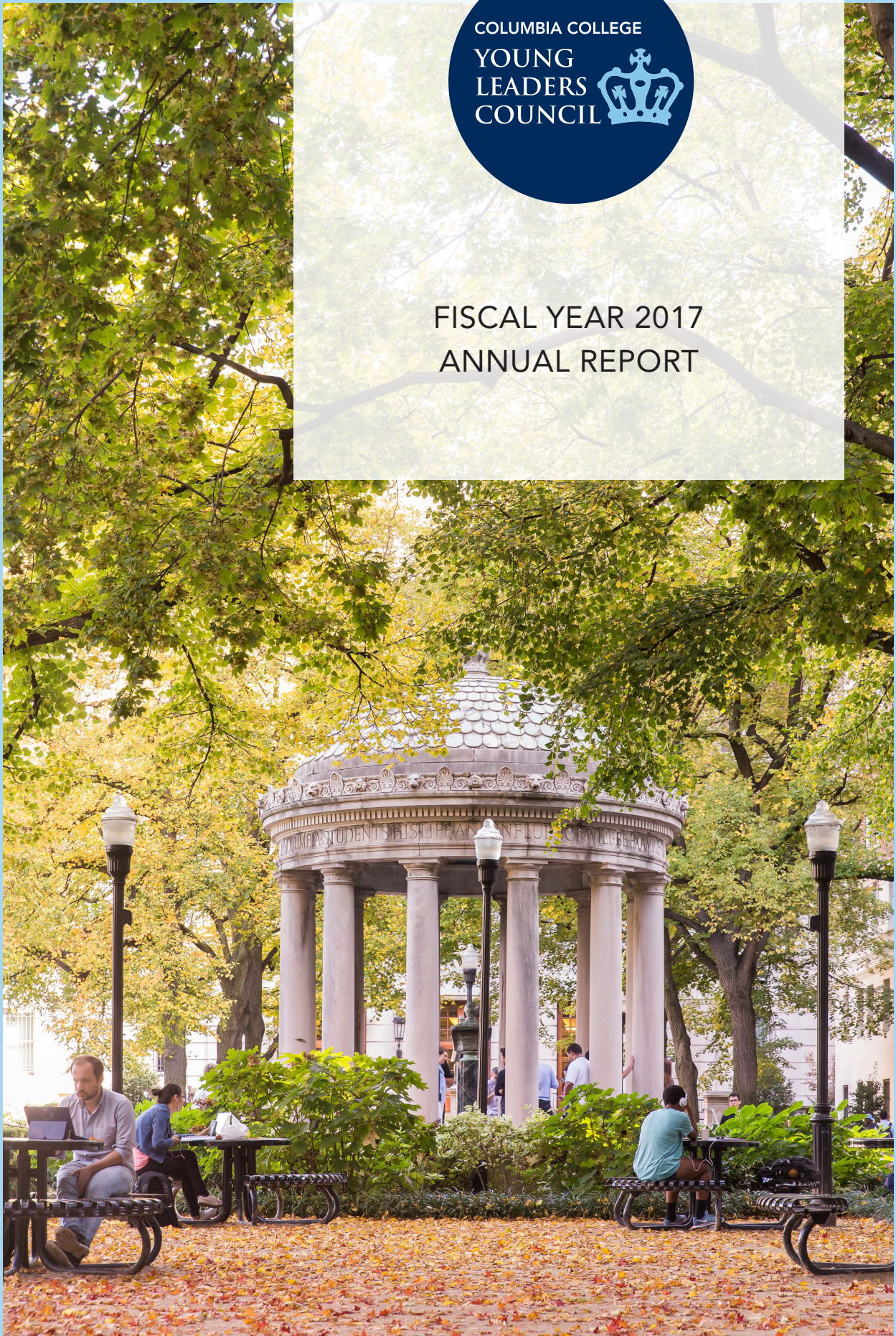


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FISCAL YEAR 2017  
ANNUAL REPORT



# TO OUR SUPPORTERS

**Thank you for making Fiscal Year 2017 another remarkable year for the Columbia College Young Leaders Council.**

This year marked our fourth year in existence, and we continue to make strides in building the council and supporting Columbia College. Our dedicated staff has done an incredible job of expanding our outreach while strengthening our programs.

Your gifts this year have helped Columbia College in ways you might not expect. Young Leaders Council dollars have funded internship stipends, supported financial aid programs, reinforced the Core Curriculum and helped build bridges within student services. We closed the year with more than \$170,000 raised for the Columbia College Fund, which represents roughly 14 percent of the total recent alumni population (1–20 years out) dollars raised. At 37 members strong and growing, we continue to host events and programs that bring together powerful, unique and interesting voices from within the College network to our recent alumni population.

Sincerely,

**Tyler Boyd '06**, *YLC Board Co-Chair*

**Alisa Wood '01**, *YLC Board Co-Chair Emeritus*

**Michael Brown '06**, *YLC Board Chair*



# OUR IMPACT

## WHERE COLUMBIA COLLEGE FUND DOLLARS GO

**56%**  
FINANCIAL  
AID

AVERAGE **FINANCIAL  
AID** PACKAGE: \$52K

50% OF STUDENTS  
RECEIVE **FINANCIAL AID**

**29%**  
STUDENT  
LIFE

**STUDENT LIFE  
SUPPORTS AREAS LIKE**

- » residence hall events
- » study breaks
- » orientation programming

**14%**  
CORE  
CURRICULUM

**SUPPORT FOR  
THE CORE**

- » funds field trips to New York City cultural institutions
- » helps maintain small class sizes
- » brings keynote speakers

**1%**  
STIPENDS FOR  
INTERNSHIPS

**SUPPORT FOR  
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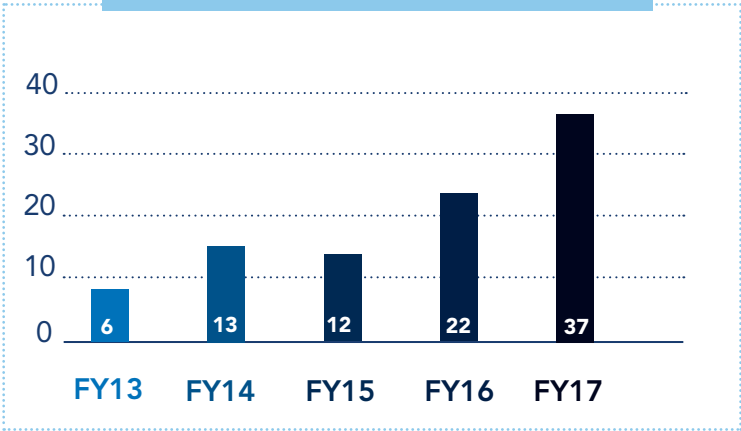
- » unpaid internships
- » overseas experiences
- » research opportunities

*"Thanks to support from the Columbia College community, I lived in Switzerland for three months and did research with one of the best known catalysis researchers in the world. It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience I will never forget."*

— Eric Riesel '19

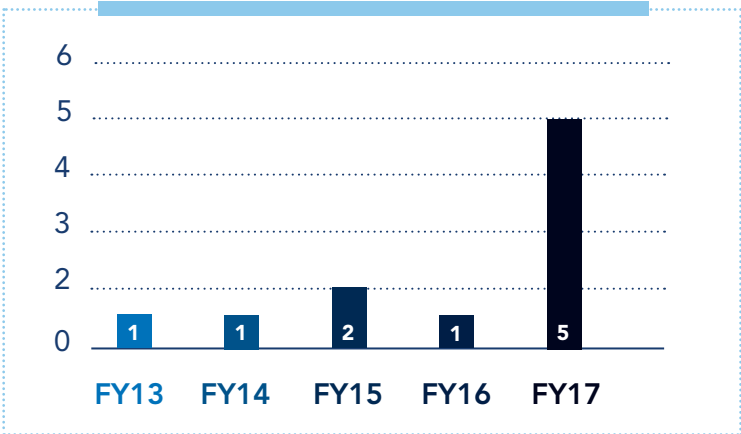
# PROGRAM AND RESULTS

## Members



**The Young Leaders Council grew to 37 Members at the close of FY17.** This 68 percent increase from FY16 is a direct result of the hard work by Alumni Office, and the Young Leaders Council Board of Directors to increase membership and educate additional recent alumni about the council. We continue to cultivate relationships and expect an even greater increase in FY18.

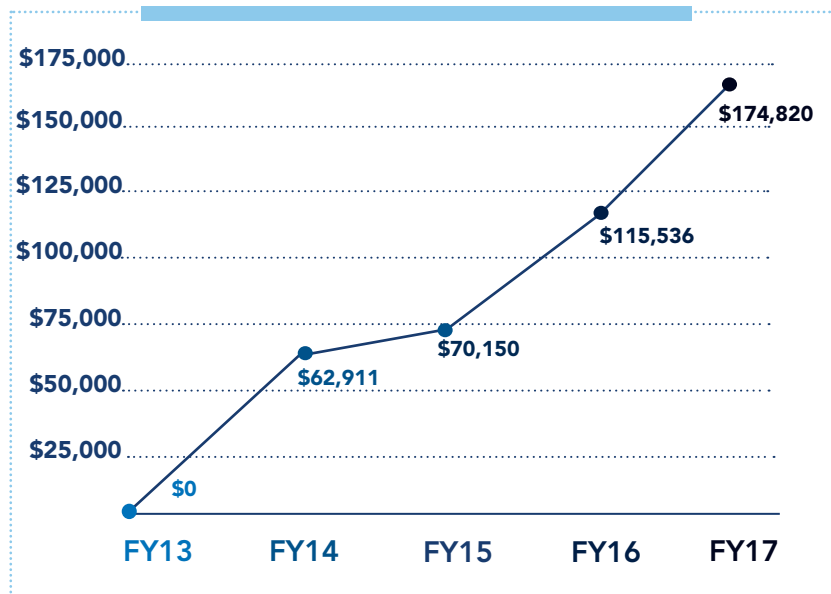
## Events



**The Young Leaders Council hosted five events in New York City in FY17, bringing together more than 80 alumni.** Among the highlights this year were our election-focused panel “The Presidential Election and the Future of American Politics” featuring Alex Castellanos from Purple Strategies and Jennifer Hanley of Tusk Ventures as well as our breakfast event “The Future of the Cannabis Industry” with Nicholas Vita ‘95 of Columbia Care.

# PROGRAM AND RESULTS

## Dollars Raised



The Young Leaders Council raised **\$174,820 in FY17**. The \$174,820 figure represents roughly 14 percent of the \$1.23 million total recent alumni dollars raised in FY17.

As the group continues to grow into 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 FY17 and are excited for the future.

# THE TEAM

AS OF JUNE 30, 2017\*

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Randy Berkowitz '04  
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Avram Drori '04  
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Lisa Heffner '06  
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Thomas Meister '09  
Vijay Mohan '01  
Sumana Rao '08  
Geoffrey Williams '03  
Alastair Wood '01  
Iain Wood '03

## COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ram Ahluwalia '01  
Mariele Dunn '11  
Andrew Heinrich '13  
Keith Hernandez '07  
Oleg Ilichev '04  
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Venkat Kausik '13  
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David Morgan '12  
Daniel Moss '03  
Nathania Nisonson '03  
Azhar Quader '02  
David Seidman '06  
David Toledano '05  
John Zaro '05

## STAFF

Alison Hillier Hayes '08  
*Senior Associate Director, Recent  
Alumni and Student Giving*

Amanda Lasker  
*Director of Development Initiatives*

\* For a full list of current members and to see upcoming events, go to [college.columbia.edu/alumni/ylc](http://college.columbia.edu/alumni/ylc).



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