



Institute for
Leadership Advancement
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SPRING 2023 ILA NEWSLETTER

As another school year winds down, we wanted to highlight some of our offerings and student successes.

We also wanted to extend a special thank you to those of you who have given back to ILA this year. We are able to develop values-based, impact-driven leaders **BECAUSE OF YOU.**

A SNAPSHOT OF OUR YEAR

1
Corporate Site Visit

5
Executive of the Day
Meetings

41
Leadership Dawgs
Graduates

19
Alumni of the Day
Meetings

54
non-profits helped through
Service-Learning and
Community Impact Projects

\$10,000
awarded to Georgia-based
non-profits

LEADERSHIP DAWGS MAKE AN IMPACT

This spring, we graduated the inaugural cohort of Leadership Dawgs, awarding them Professional Certificates in Personal and Organizational Leadership.

The Leadership Dawgs program is a 12-month symposium bookended by two in-person weekend meetings that engage participants in active leadership development. The curriculum challenges business professionals to uncover their leadership potential to advance their careers, optimize their team's performance and cultivate a diverse professional network.



The Community Impact Project (CIP) is an important element of the symposium. Leadership Dawgs partner with a nonprofit for one year to impact the organization's mission positively. The stakes were higher than just completing the CIP – the three groups who made the most impact were awarded grants to help fund future initiatives.



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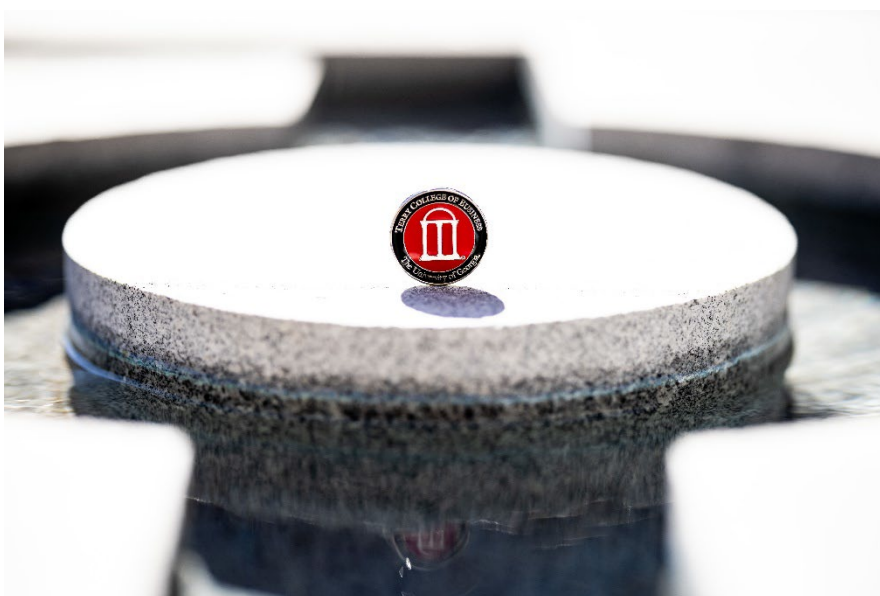
After a tough deliberation, a panel of faculty awarded \$5,000 to the first-place team -- Heads Up for Harry (HU4H), an organization founded in 2017 after the death of young UGA alumni, Harrison. HU4H raises awareness of mental illness in young adults and provides resources and education to help family members support loved ones facing mental health challenges. The team of Leadership Dawgs executed a 5k fundraising campaign, connected HU4H with on-campus student organizations, and single-handedly led the way for sourcing and securing HU4H's first-ever successful grant submission.

"I can't speak highly enough of the leadership and grit this group showed throughout our time together. They surpassed every challenge we put in front of them," raved Spencer Mitchell, Chair of the Board, Co-Founder, and friend of Harrison.

"To me, leadership involves taking on hard things, a leader has to show grit and willingness to do the hard work, and that's what this group did. I hope they take pride in what they accomplished not just this year but in the fruits of the efforts that their impact will make in the years to come. I can't thank UGA enough for involving us with The Leadership Dawgs program."

We are proud and excited about the impact of the Class of 2023 Leadership Dawgs and the immense influence on the community that will come with future classes of Leadership Dawgs.

Is there someone in your network with untapped leadership potential? We are filling seats for the next class of Leadership Dawgs. Send an email to tcblead@uga.edu to nominate someone today!



LIVE THE COIN

Hopefully, you're familiar with that phrase. Whether you remember it from your coin ceremony or you've seen the hashtag on social media, we want to remind you what it means to **#LivetheCoin**.

It represents the work our students put into discovering themselves while in ILA and the continuous focus on living true to their values. We'd love to see all the places our students (and your coin) have gone. **Share your picture on social media with the hashtag #LivetheCoin.**



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THE TERRY LEADERSHIP SPEAKER SERIES

Marty Flanagan, President and CEO, Invesco

"They say the grass is always greener on the other side, but that's not true. It's brown on both sides."



THE MASON PUBLIC LEADERSHIP LECTURE

Shan Cooper, Founder and CEO, Journey Forward Strategies, LLC

"You can't fulfill the mission without the right people, in the right jobs, at the right time, doing the right things."

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION LECTURE SERIES



Korryn Williamson
Director of DE&I, Insight Global

"Just keep an open mind, find the things that scare you a little bit and go for them."



Col. Monica Navarro Smith, Head of Digital Governance and Language Preference, Truist

"Be the person who takes on the job no one else steps up for, and then excel in it."



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WELCOME OUR NEW COHORTS



The Class of 2025 Leonard Leadership Scholars



The 2023 Fall Leadership Fellows

STUDENT HONORS AND AWARDS

New Blue Key National Honor Society Admits

Leonard Leadership Scholars

Ben Brown, 2024 LLS

Catherine Kight, 2023 LLS

Ashley LaPrade, 2024 LLS

Buhusuru Ranasinghe, 2024 LSS

Leadership Fellows

Shelly Chummar, 2022 Fall-Fellow

Aaron Dino, 2022 Fall-Fellow

Emilio Ferrara, 2023 Spring-Fellow

Esther Kim, 2022 Spring-Fellow

Tiffany Li, 2021 Fall-Fellow

George Moore, 2022 Fall-Fellow

Laura Neely, 2023 Spring-Fellow

Olivia Paul, 2021 Fall-Fellow

Saanvikha Saravanan, 2023 Fall-Fellow

Mary Sladewski, 2022 Spring-Fellow

Dawson Templin, 2022 Spring-Fellow

Kate Winters, 2022 Spring-Fellow

Goldwater Scholar*

Emilio Ferrara, 2023 Spring-Fellow

**For the second year in a row, an ILA student has been named a Goldwater Scholar. The scholarship, created in 1986 in honor of the late Arizona Senator Barry Goldwater, is considered one of the most prestigious scholarships available to undergraduate students studying natural science, engineering or mathematics.*

2023 Sea Island Scholars

Isha Naidu, 2022 Spring-Fellow

Meritt Parker, 2023 LLS

Savannah Sommer, 2022 Spring-Fellow

Ashley LaPrade, 2024 LLS

Spring 2023 Deer Run Fellows

Elise Karinshak, 2022 Spring-Fellow

Chance Lacey, 2023 LLS

Jake Mitchell, 2022 Fall-Fellow



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