MISSION STATEMENT
We empower young global citizens from all sectors of society to be lifelong leaders of positive change.

OUR VISION
We envision a global community where individuals embrace their unique colorful stories and cultures as they design and implement solutions to global issues that transcend social, economic and political boundaries.

We yearn for a more peaceful and stable world of tomorrow, founded on the universal acceptance of shared fundamental values and a common denominator: that we are all human.

We prize and celebrate innovative thinking, individual initiative, scholarship, religious plurality, cultural diversity, and environmental sustainability.

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LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT AND FOUNDER

As I reflect on the past five years, I view 2018 as a milestone year for Global Citizens Initiative (GCI). What began as just an idea encapsulated in my 2014 research paper has blossomed into a fully-fledged, global nonprofit social enterprise with one vision: to nurture compassionate and ethical young global leaders who will make the world a better place. Today, GCI boasts 132 Ambassadors (alumni) from over 70 schools globally. I am truly humbled by their tremendous dedication and am in awe of the amazing support provided by the entire GCI community.

Our flagship GCI Fellowship embraces students from diverse socioeconomic, ethnic, and geographic backgrounds with the aim of promoting globally-conscious citizens. This past year has seen significant crystallization of our curriculum, the GCI Method (details on p. 13). Additionally, students now focus their service projects on one of the United Nations’ 17 Sustainable Development Goals and we have engaged the Harvard Graduate School of Education to conduct formal research to assist us in continually improving our program.

In 2018, we launched the Professional Development Seminar for secondary school educators, to further disseminate the GCI Method. This program seeks to “train the trainer,” so that GCI may exponentially extend its reach by way of competent and passionate teachers as they weave their learnings into their classrooms.

We celebrated GCI’s five year anniversary with our first formal GCI Reunion, held at the United Nations and other venues around New York City in 2018 where over 30 Ambassadors from around the globe rekindled old friendships, made new ones, and shared their stories. GCI is here to support our Ambassadors as they navigate their lives from secondary school to top universities to careers as productive and ethical working professionals.

The past year marked our first forays into larger scale fundraising and increasing our exposure in our home community with the Champion a Champion golf fundraiser and a Social Impact Video Competition in conjunction with the Greenwich International Film Festival. We will always assess the impact of such initiatives and move forward accordingly.

Looking ahead, we are full of hope and excitement after launching our programs internationally for the first time. Tokyo, Japan played host over the summer of 2019 which is personally significant for me as “coming full circle.” (A quick snapshot is found on p. 16.)

In the years to come, we will strategically navigate how to scale our impact in order to empower more young leaders as ethical, open-minded, collaborative and tolerant global citizens who can positively change an increasingly interdependent world from the bottom up. We look forward to building out our eco-system and community and to engaging you in this process.

Respectfully yours,

Yumi Kuwana

“I feel inspired to think about small acts that I can do to be more considerate and sensitive to other cultures and to help people around the world.”

- Phillip, Fellow 2016
CELEBRATING FIVE YEARS
We are proud to share that GCI has empowered 132 global citizens since the first Summit was held in 2014. Most of our very first Fellows graduated from college this spring although a handful previously received their diplomas and have entered the workforce. Many of our Ambassadors (our name for Fellows who complete our nine-month Fellowship) remain engaged with GCI and continue to inspire us with their devotion to making a positive impact in their community and beyond.

Our Fellows come from around the world. They bring diverse backgrounds – across cultures, socioeconomic strata, religious and political beliefs, sexual orientation, and more. We embrace everyone’s unique differences and believe that they lead to richer conversations, the broadening of mindsets and the bubbling up of innovative ideas.

AGENTS OF POSITIVE CHANGE

David (Fellow 2016) is the son of Mexican immigrant parents who grew up in South Central Los Angeles, CA. He was the Seed Funding Grant winner in 2017 and used the funds on his initiative to install showers for the homeless in his community. He currently attends Georgetown University and spent last summer at Oxford University.

Karishma (Fellow 2014) was born and raised in Kenya where she has worked tirelessly to bring affordable water purification units to her community and beyond, founding Matone De Chiwit, meaning ‘Drops of Life’. A recent graduate of New York University, Karishma will be a Production Assistant at the prestigious Sundance Institute during the summer of 2019.

Takunda (Fellow 2015) grew up in Zimbabwe and South Africa, attending many different schools. He started a club which morphed into a youth-led leadership organization called Circle of Influence Project Society with the help of his Mentors at GCI. Takunda is now enrolled at Notre Dame University as a Hesburgh-Yusko Scholar and is studying Business Analytics and Political Science. He will be interning at Goldman Sachs this summer.

Krisay (Fellow 2014) was raised in both Massachusetts and New Hampshire, USA and while in high school founded Solar For Our Superheroes, a nonprofit to bridge the information gap between solar providers and consumers. She is now the President of a non-profit called Honoring Our Mother Earth, Inc. A recent graduate of Clark University, Krisay will be a Teaching Assistant at the GCI Summit 2019 and she looks forward to being a social entrepreneur.

Jawed (Fellow 2014) hails from the suburbs of Kabul, Afghanistan and used multi-media production to capture living stories on his travels around the world with the focus on helping to create a more peaceful and cohesive world as his project at GCI. Jawed recently graduated from Georgetown University with a B.S. degree in Foreign Service (International Political Economy major) and now works at the International Monetary Fund in Washington D.C.

Ghada (Fellow 2014) joined us from Jordan and shared her passion for helping refugees. She currently attends Harvard University where she has extended her work with refugees, co-founding Tanweer, an education initiative that developed a summer enrichment curriculum for refugee children in the Middle East. Ghada also founded a political action committee and works with Members of Parliament in Jordan. She is an aspiring lawyer.
In the summer of 2018, we greeted a new group of 28 Fellows and welcomed them to the 5th Annual Global Citizens Youth Summit, hosted at the Harvard Faculty Club in MA, USA. This group of Fellows represents 22 cultural heritages.

The Fellows quickly met the challenge to begin breaking down barriers and embracing one another’s differences with the help of the Outward Bound team building program they participated in on the first day on Thompson Island.

The ten days in Cambridge were packed with highlights for the Fellows who:

- Worked through a case study on the success and leadership at Chobani with Harvard Business School Professor Joshua Margolis.
- Participated in an interactive workshop on Design Thinking which had Fellows brainstorming creative solutions “ideating” with the end user in mind with Professor Eugene Korsunskiy from Dartmouth College.
- Visited with Jack Meyer, CEO, Senior Managing Partner and Co-Founder of Convexity Capital Management, at his office in Boston to learn about philanthropy.
- Individually presented their GSP plans to the GCI community.
- Celebrated their accomplishments at a dinner featuring keynote speaker Dr. Linda Hill, Harvard Business School Professor.

Collectively, the 28 Fellows are focusing their impact on seven of the UN’s sustainable development goals.

**SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES**

Pratika is working to establish an upcycling workshop to encourage young school children in South Bombay, India to live more sustainable lives by using recycled items in new and valuable ways.

**GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**

Maile hopes to bring better health care support to the outer islands of Hawaii, especially for low income women.

**REDUCED INEQUALITIES**

Alqaim is teaching families with children who have cancer in Tanzania how to create and sell crafts to help fund medical treatments. GCI was thrilled to support his project by purchasing bags for all of our reunion attendees.

**QUALITY EDUCATION**

Vivian is working to organize an academic mentorship program in Hong Kong that brings together students across multiple social classes to spur social awareness and help disadvantaged students receive more educational support.

**DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH**

Zaid is setting up a program called Zoor to link tourists visiting his home town in Jordan to local guides who will introduce visitors to less popular cultural sites and aspects of the community, creating new jobs while sharing local insights. Zaid has already started to build a website and has received support from a local hotel.

**GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**

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Each year, GCI awards a grant to an Ambassador who has established a well-scoped and thoughtful plan to kick-start their Global Service Project and become an agent of positive change. This year, due to the number of robust submissions, GCI awarded two Seed Funding Grants.

First Place Winner: Sydney received a $1,000 grant to support his initiative, Affordable and Accessible Sanitation For Women (AASW).

Sydney’s GSP aims to improve the poor menstrual sanitation available to young girls in his community in Mombasa, Kenya. He helped to start a school-based service group, currently 23 members strong, at Aga Khan Academy where he attended secondary school. (Sydney completed his freshman year at Wesleyan University in CT, USA.) The group fundraises, tests prototypes and recently began working with a rural girls’ school to provide them with eco-friendly, cost effective, readily available materials as well as sewing machines and instruction on how to make sanitation supplies.

A second service club recently launched in Dar es salaam, Tanzania at the Isamilo International School where they have already produced 500 sanitation pads for Christmas delivery, found a long term sponsor, and completed a needs assessment and relationship building with a local orphanage.

Runner-Up: Karla received runner up status and $500 towards her GSP called PUMPS!, which seeks to provide school materials for homeless students in her community in South Los Angeles. Karla and her collaborators hosted a school dance to raise funds to purchase supplies in April 2018 and distributed backpacks full of supplies to under-privileged students in September.
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Phillips Exeter Academy
Science Instructor

Dr. Molly MacKean
Drew School
Academic Dean

Dr. Eimer Page
Phillips Exeter Academy
English Instructor,
Head of Global Initiatives Program

Ms. Molly Simmons
Phillips Exeter Academy
English Instructor, Admissions Committee

“‘A week that really did change my life’”
-Giuliana Fellow 2017

Exposure to world-class educators and thought leaders

INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKERS

Dr. Lynn Barendsen
The Good Project at Harvard Project Zero
Project Manager

Mr. Joshua Margolis
Harvard Business School
Professor of Business Administration,
Faculty Chair of the Christensen Center

Mr. Eugene Korsunskiy
Dartmouth College
Assistant Professor of Engineering

Dr. Seung Kim
Stanford University
Director of the Diabetes Research Center,
Professor of Developmental Biology

Mr. Jack Meyer
Convexity Capital
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Eleven educators joined us for the three day Seminar to learn about the GCI Method while engaging with the 28 Fellows attending the Summit. Attendees participated in interactive workshops on Design Thinking and a Harvard Business School leadership case study, observed and participated in a Harkness® educational session (discussion-based learning class), shadowed Fellows as they worked on their Glocal Service Projects, exchanged ideas on how best to implement an ethics-based curriculum in their classroom and networked with the GCI community.

GCI introduced a new program to engage educators from around the world with the objective of sharing alternative methods of teaching as classrooms evolve to prepare students to succeed in a more digitized, global and diverse world. By empowering educators, GCI aims to make an impact in new communities and compel more students to develop a global mindset, embrace diversity and take action to implement positive change.

The GCI Method provides a framework to support our future leaders through the GCI Fellowship and Ambassadorship.

In 2018 we further crystallized our curriculum, the GCI Method, which incorporates 1) THE HARKNESS® method of pedagogy, 2) DESIGN THINKING and 3) HUMAN CONNECTIVITY to help develop leadership qualities, identified at GCI as the 5 Cs: character, critical thinking, communication, collaboration and creativity. The GCI method is also reviewed, more informally, on an annual basis by GCI faculty to ensure that the material is fresh, rigorous and aligned with the program goals.

"I feel empowered to help the next generation" - David, Fellow 2015/TA 2018

"It was a pleasure working and studying with the inaugural group of educators at the GCI Professional Development Seminar. I look forward to continuing to share resources and information with this special cohort. I am busy planning the best ways to implement a few of the new methods and teaching approaches that I learned during the program in my own classroom this fall."

- Shaun Iwasawa, Kaisei Academy, Japan, August 2018

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EVENTS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

GCI REUNION IN NEW YORK CITY
A gathering to build our ecosystem of Fellows and Ambassadors from multiple cohorts

Community Building
GCI deeply values and promotes face-to-face interactions, believing that it makes for more productive dialogues, more profound understanding and lifelong bonds. Therefore, we were eager to host our first community-wide GCI reunion this fall.

The two-day event took place in November 2018 in New York City. We were thrilled to have over 30 Fellows and Ambassadors join us for the two-day event, including some who flew long distances for a short visit (e.g., Rio de Janeiro, London, San Francisco, and Salt Lake City).

THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AT THE UNITED NATIONS INCLUDED:

• Ice breakers with Warren Harding, a facilitator from Narrative4, pictured at right
• Short presentations by three United Nations employees
• An interactive talk with the United Nations Youth Envoy, Jayathma Wickramanayake
• A tour of the United Nations

The afternoon consisted of two tracks- one at Goldman Sachs to learn about their sustainability initiatives and the other at Boston Consulting Group to hear about their ongoing work with the International Rescue Committee (IRC).

The reunion concluded with a brunch the following day where old friends traded stories and new friends were made.

“The level of community and unity is something that makes this program distinct. We have a great bond that I think will last a long time.”
- Masa, Fellow 2017

INAUGURAL CHAMPION A CHAMPION GOLF CLASSIC

In May 2018, GCI partnered with Yankee legend Hideki Matsui and the Matsui55 Baseball Foundation to fund financial scholarships for youth in both organizations to enable them to pursue their passions and foster critical thinking, collaboration and teamwork.

Approximately 100 guests joined us for a day of golf and evening of festivities, including a dinner and a live auction emceed by former major league baseball player and manager, Bobby Valentine. The event was held at the Tamarack Country Club in Greenwich, CT on a beautiful spring day. Golfers enjoyed on-course contests, networking opportunities, and the chance to meet some of GCI’s Ambassadors.

The event was both memorable and successful, raising over US$90,000 for the two organizations.

GCI SOCIAL IMPACT VIDEO COMPETITION AT THE GREENWICH INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL (GIFF)

In the spring of 2018, GCI hosted an event, in conjunction with GIFF, aimed at extending awareness of GCI in our backyard as well as inspiring students to be more civically engaged and socially minded. High school students in Fairfield County, CT were encouraged to submit a short video proposing a solution to a need in the moderate-to-low income community.

The event, titled Making An Impact in the Community & Beyond, took place on June 2, 2018. GCI awarded a first place grant of US$4,000 to the winner, Daniella Tocco, to help her kick-start the self defense classes she proposed for low income children in her video entry. Since receiving the funds, Daniella has been working hard to clean and prepare the space she has identified at the Yonkers Police Athletic League (PAL). She plans to begin teaching classes this spring.

GCI also awarded a second place grant of US$1,000 to a team of three students from Fairfield Ludlow High School who wanted to help Giant Steps CT, a charitable organization devoted to helping children and young adults with autism spectrum disorders and other neurological impairments. The grant was used to purchase new tablets to enable communication for non-verbal students.

Yumi Kuwana pictured with three GCI Ambassadors who volunteered at the event

Yumi Kuwana pictured with the first place winners

Bethany Mota (far left) was awarded the #MakeAnImpact award and is pictured with event organizers and winners.
The sixth annual GCI Summit and the second GCI Professional Development Seminar were hosted outside of the United States for the first time this summer. Tokyo proved a memorable and welcoming first location to launch our programs globally. We are still processing all of the meaningful experiences, connections and education that took place but want to share a first glimpse.

**Summit 2019**
Our 28 Fellows represent 26 different cultural heritages and speak 24 different languages. They formed quick friendships and demonstrated great initiative in ensuring a positive, transformative, and impactful launch to their nine-month Fellowship. Similar to past Summits, Fellows were introduced to Design Thinking methodologies and participated in Harkness® sessions, but were also exposed to numerous cultural dimensions, including dressing in traditional clothing (yukata), practicing the martial art of Kendo, visiting the United States Embassy and the Ambassador’s residence, and meditating at the Meiji Shrine.

**Seminar 2019**
This year’s group of 12 Educators represents 8 different citizenships, speaks 13 languages, and works at 12 schools in 7 countries. They joined an intensive five-day program that had them mingling with the Fellows and participating in joint sessions as well as taking time to dive into educator-specific workshops on topics such as ethical dilemma case studies and sharing global best practices.

**Global Forum**
GCI introduced a new half-day program, called **Ignite! Japan**, to begin a dialogue on preparing the workforce of tomorrow in Japan. We welcomed over 450 corporate leaders, educators, students and policy makers to hear from thought leaders on topics such as key characteristics of global leaders, creating companies with vision with meaning, and the importance of innovation, creativity and diversity of thought. Esteemed speakers and panelists included:

- Dr. Linda Hill, Harvard Business School Professor
- Kazuo Hirai, Former Chairman and CEO, Sony
- Seiji Inagaki, President, Dai-ichi Life
- Taro Kono, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Japan
- Dr. Kiyoshi Kurokawa, Chairman, Health Policy Institute
- Kathy Matsui, Vice Chair, Goldman Sachs Japan
- Jason Wild, SVP, Salesforce.com
- Dr. Yukio Yanagisawa, Principal, Kasei Academy

**The 10-day Summit was a transformative experience for me... There is a Japanese proverb, ‘the frog in the well knows nothing of the great ocean.’ I truly felt like the frog in the well, seeing the great ocean for the very first time.”**
– Kosuke, Fellow 2019

**SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS**

- **Academic Session**
  Fellows discussing Engagement

- **Case Study with Linda Hill**
  Professor, Harvard Business School

- **Inspirational Talk with Keiko Ono**
  Global Business Operations, HR Specialist, APAC at Google

- **Meiji Shrine Visit**
  Cultural exploration

- **Global Forum: Ignite! Japan**
  Empower! NextGen Japan Panel Discussion

- **Educators at the Celebratory Dinner**
  With Eimer Page, Head GCI Faculty

- **Honored by a special visit**
  First Lady of Japan, Akie Abe, joined for lunch along with Kaori Kono, wife of the Foreign Minister of Japan, and Aya Higa, Project Chair of LIVES TOKYO

- **Visiting the US Embassy and Residence**
  Joe Young, US Charge d’Affaires, and Kaori Kono, wife of Foreign Minister of Japan

- **Global Service Project Workshop**

- **Design Thinking Workshop**
LEADERSHIP

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Welcome, Rita Gail Johnson
Rita joined GCI as the Chief Operating Officer in 2018, bringing with her a diverse background in both non-profit and private sector work. Most recently, Rita was a program director focused on sustainable investing at a human rights organization. She previously worked as a management consultant at PricewaterhouseCoopers where she led merger integration assignments in the US, Europe and Middle East.

The GCI Board Expands
GCI welcomed a new board member in 2018 when Loyti Cheng joined. Loyti is Counsel and Co-head of the Environmental Practice Group at Davis Polk & Wardwell where she has provided legal guidance to clients for over 30 years. The GCI Board now has a solid 7 members.

GCI is honored and fortunate to have the guidance of such a dedicated and prestigious group of professionals.

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“Congratulations! You have once again put together a diverse group of bright, engaged and energetic young scholars who have a good chance of changing the world. Brava!”
- Jack Meyer, August, 2018
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“In the Harkness classrooms, we learned to share without judgment. We all have ideas to input. At the end of the day, you realize that you have something to learn from everyone.”

- Catherine, Fellow 2017
NHK, Japan’s only public broadcasting company, profiled GCI and Yumi Kuwana, in a 7-minute in-depth segment during the summer of 2018. The piece was broadcast throughout Japan and several times globally on NHK World.

An NHK team joined GCI at our offices in Greenwich, CT as well as for a day at the Global Citizens Youth Summit in Cambridge, MA where they took footage while observing academic sessions and Glocal Service Project discussions.

NHK also interviewed two Ambassadors who had previously gone through the program in their home countries. Ala Talebian (Ambassador 2014) is from Iran and spoke about her initiative to expand access to clean water in her local community as well as the impact the program has had on her. Tomas Salazar (Ambassador 2015) hails from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and shared his story as well.

Ala Talebian (Fellow 2014) pictured here with sixth grade students from her secondary school after her interactive presentation on the water crisis in Iran.

The Good Project, a research unit of Harvard Project Zero, covered the 5th Annual Global Citizens Youth Summit in an insightful blog post that showcased a discussion with three Fellows in attendance. Fellows shared their thoughts on the overall experience, how they honed their communication and creative thinking skills during the program, and the importance of making an impact in the world.

Education Week, a publication of Asia Society, shared a blog written by Ambassador Roland Naijuka who attended the Global Citizens Youth Summit in 2016 and created Future Uganda, an organization in his home community designed to help secondary school students with the college application process.

Forbes Japan highlighted Yumi Kuwana in a survey of 100 powerful women, asking them about their priorities today versus when they started their careers.

"We need more global citizens because we are hindered by our own perspectives.”
- Elizabeth, Fellow 2018

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"GCI is such a special community. I can honestly say that I feel at home here, surrounded by other young people who come from diverse backgrounds, but who all want to unite everyone across borders.”
- Takunda, Fellow 2016/TA 2018