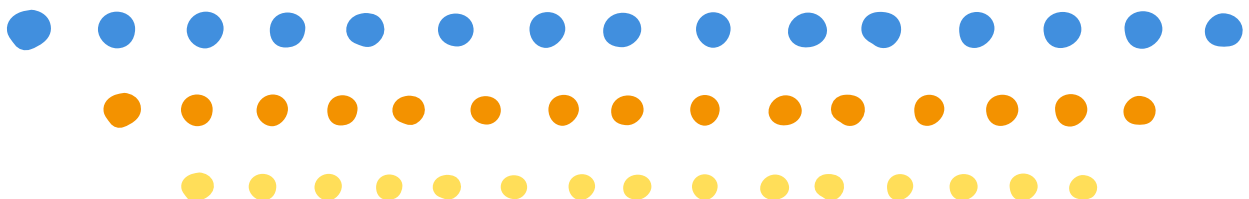




Graduate Fellows Program 2024 - 2025 Annual Report



Message From our Leadership



UNA-NCA is uniquely positioned in the Nation's Capital as a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization open to all who care about our nation's role in the United Nations. Our membership includes professionals and leaders working to strengthen the multilateral system. We are proud to have an intergenerational membership and bring the best of our foreign affairs community to engage and mentor younger generations.



Through our programming, like the Graduate Fellows Program, we support students and early-career professionals with the tools to become engaged global citizens. The Graduate Fellow Program benefited from the increased engagement and support of its leadership and staff. The alumni network continued to grow offering a rich source of professional and personal friendships. Several former fellows continue their engagement in UNA-NCA programs and activities. The uniqueness of the Graduate Fellows Program draws from the delivery of the sessions by experienced United Nations, World Bank and international development and diplomacy professionals coupled with the best in academic excellence in delivery. This rich experience placed in the Nation's Capital provides a great grounding in policy development, advocacy and technical insight into the complex issues that countries must deal with and where the UN plays a critical role.

This was enhanced by the discussions conducted by the students who came from many different countries and backgrounds. While many were attending local universities, this does not reflect the deep international and professional experience many of the students brought with them, nor the sharing of knowledge between them that was so valuable.

This trifecta – practitioners, academics, and engaged students – prepares Fellows to begin and strengthen international work. This preparation carried through to the mentoring and career session where the Fellows had access to additional professionals working in international development, diplomacy, global security, global health, food security and humanitarian aid – both domestically and internationally. The conversations and relationships developed from these opportunities will last a lifetime.

Earlier this year, UNA-NCA was invited to join the 2025 Impact Fellowships Network as a Co-Design Partner, an opportunity that will enable UNA-NCA to strengthen its program design, evaluation and alumni network.

We are committed to continue supporting the GFP program's growth and impact. The professionals it serves can help shape the future of the world.

Anne Simmons-Benton
Board Chair

Paula Boland
President



About the Graduate Fellows Program

Established in 1953, the United Nations Association of the National Capital Area (UNA-NCA) is among the largest and most active chapters of the United Nations Association of the USA (UNA-USA), serving over 2,000 members and beneficiaries. UNA-NCA's mission is to increase public understanding of the United Nations, encourage a robust U.S.-UN relationship, and help prepare the next generation of global citizens. In partnership with more than 60 organizations, UNA-NCA makes its voice heard through advocacy and public education throughout the Washington, DC area. Although it is a chapter of UNA-USA, UNA-NCA operates as an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit and is solely responsible for securing funding to support its operations and programs.



Founded in 1991 by former Dean of the George Washington University (GWU) Elliott School, Maurice East, and UNA-NCA past-president and volunteer Ed Elmendorf, the Graduate Fellows Program brings together a group of competitively selected graduate students each spring semester to focus on the United Nations. Since its foundation, UNA-NCA leaders and staff have guided over 500 students from a dozen Washington, DC, Maryland, and Northern Virginia (DMV) universities in an exploration of the United Nations.

Since 1991, the Program has changed considerably, adapting to our ever more interconnected and decentralized global community. What has remained constant, however, is the Program's intense engagement on current UN issues, support for Fellows in their exploration of multilateral organizations and career opportunities in the wide world of UN-related organizations, weekly exchanges between Fellows and officials from UN-related organizations, and leadership of the Program by UNA-NCA volunteers with deep UN knowledge and experience.



Message from the GFP Leadership Team

The 2025 UNA-NCA Graduate Fellows cohort of 25 individuals was selected from 101 applicants and drew students from 12 universities in the DC metro area. The 2025 program, consisting of thirteen sessions, began with a launch event in late January and concluded with a final gathering in early May. The program included nine sessions focused on priority topics, two career sessions, and a final session where Fellows focused on the main insights they had gained about the United Nations during the course of the program. The program also benefited from UNA-NCA's new office space in Washington, DC, which provided an ideal space for discussion and exchange.

The GFP 2025 program was colored by the dramatic, in many instances existential challenges unfolding during the early months of the new United States administration, as well as other changes affecting both the UN's development and humanitarian institutions and programs. The nine focus topics were selected from among the many that are on today's global agendas. Each topic was facilitated by a co-director and a guest who brought direct operational and, often, academic experience with United Nations agencies. Topics ranged from an overview of the UN system and highlights of the 2025 agenda to the UN's financial challenges, human rights issues, climate change, approaches to development, and the UN's changing approaches to becoming an organization that "looks more like the world's population". Fellows brought varied personal knowledge and, in several cases, operational experience to the program. The 2025 cohort was marked by its wide international diversity.

Fellows were expected to engage in learning outside the program sessions, and they were also encouraged to network among themselves. Advance preparation for the Program included study of the UN's Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development in an SDG Primer used by UN staff and prepared by the UN itself, and a UN knowledge tool designed especially for the GFP. Each week, Fellows were expected to engage with the issues of the day, drawing on a background paper prepared in advance for the session. The aim was to focus both on a UN perspective, helping Fellows to understand how the UN mission is lived, and, notably through two case study exercises, to put themselves in the shoes of those who make UN policy.

A noteworthy feature of the GFP Program is career support through a system where senior mentors are matched with each fellow, alongside advice from the GFP team, and two robust career sessions led by panels of professionals working in the field. These sessions included Fellows from prior cohorts as well as senior leaders to convey a nuanced view to support individual career planning and networking. The Friday afternoon timing of sessions encouraged informal get-togethers. The final session combined fellow and co-director presentations with the presentation of certificates. A reception where guests and mentors were invited followed.

This report provides information about the GFP Program leaders and volunteers, the 2025 Fellows, guest resource persons, the GFP Career Program sessions and panels, the GFP mentorship program, highlights from an anonymous survey of the Fellows at the end of the Program, and a look to the future in GFP26. We thank the Fellows, our UNA-NCA colleagues, the many volunteers who contributed to the Program, and the program coordinator, Keegan Mobley.



Andrew Hyde
Co-Director



Katherine Marshall
Co-Director



Tom Bradley
Co-Director

GFP Leadership Team



Katherine Marshall

Katherine is a senior fellow at Georgetown University's Berkley Center for Religion, Peace and World Affairs, Professor of the Practice of Development, Religion, and Conflict in the School of Foreign Service, and Executive Director of the World Faiths Development Dialogue (WFDD), following a long World Bank career, Katherine served as a co-director for GFP25.



Andrew Hyde

Andrew is a member of UNA-NCA's Board of Directors. He is also a Director and Senior Fellow at the Stimson Center, a Washington, DC think tank, where he focuses on multilateral diplomacy. He left the State Department following a thirty-year career as a U.S. Foreign Service Officer with assignments in Europe, Asia, and Latin America, specializing in multilateral diplomacy and conflict management. Earlier in his career, he held several staff positions in the U.S. Senate. Andrew served as a co-director for GFP25.



Tom Bradley

Tom has been assistant director of the UNA-NCA Graduate Fellows Program, from 2018 to present day and served as a co-director for GFP25. After a career in the US Air Force he has served on the UNA-NCA Board of Directors 2009-2017 and 2019-present.



Stephen F. Moseley

Steve is our Past President and Board Chair of the UNA-NCA Board of Directors, elected for the first Term in 2017. Previously, he served as Chair of the UNA-NCA Advisory Council, and member of UNA-NCA's Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.



Keegan Mobley

Keegan is the current Graduate Fellows Program Manager. Previously, he interned with UNA-NCA as GFP25's Program Assistant while earning his MA in Global Environmental Policy at American University.



A. Edward Elmendorf

Ed has been actively involved in UN organizations for over 50 years, including the UN itself, the World Bank, UNA-USA and UNA-NCA. He served as President and CEO of UNA-USA prior to its alliance with the UN Foundation and our Past President and Board Chair of UNA-NCA. Ed served as a Senior Advisor of the UNA-NCA Graduate Fellows Program for 2025.

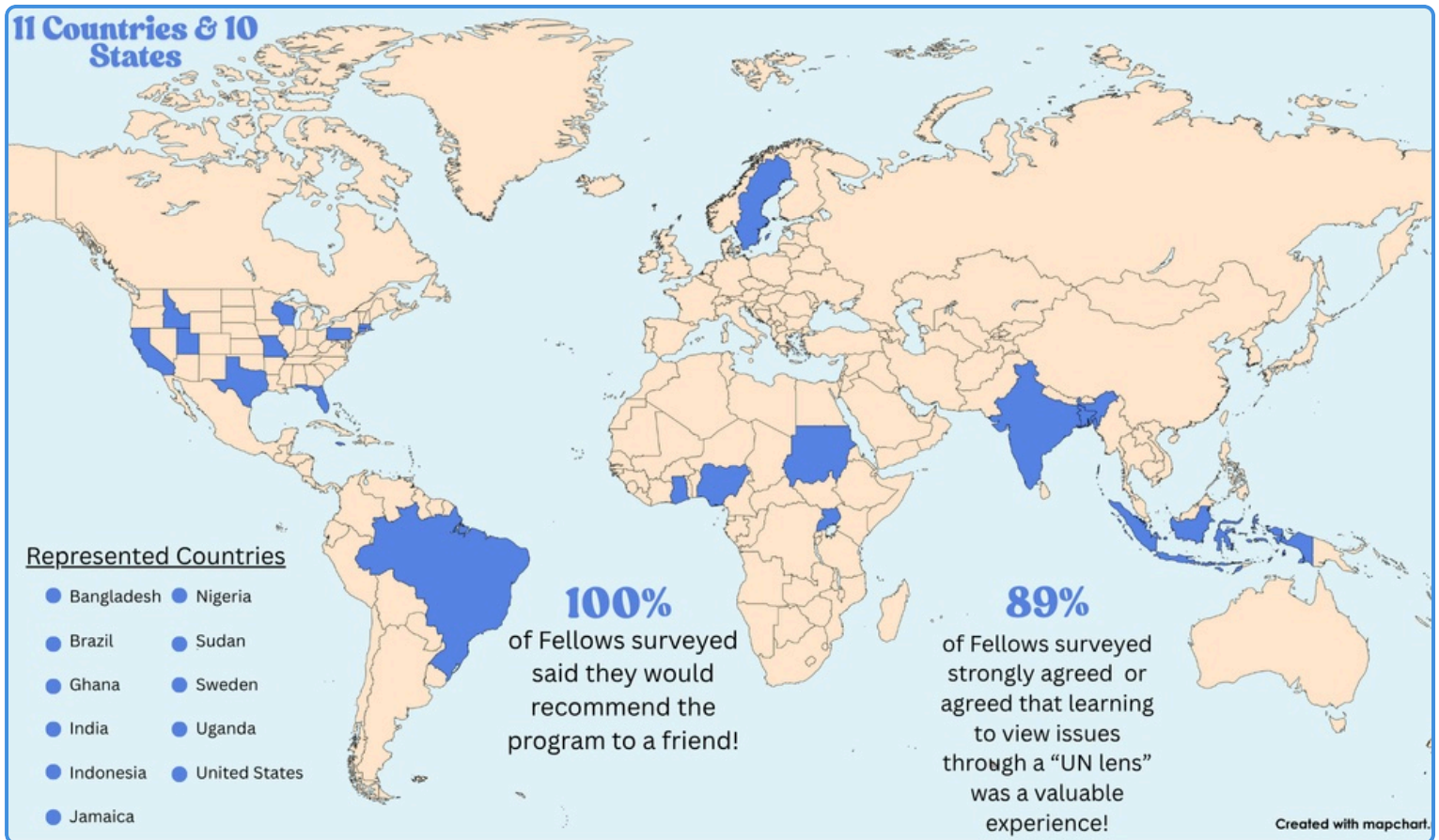


John (Cal) Calvin Williams

Cal is a retired Senior Economist at the International Monetary Fund (IMF). During his IMF career he served as the IMF Resident Representative in Zaire (now the DRC) and in Mali. Prior to IMF, Cal was an international commercial lending officer with a major international bank. Cal served as a Senior Advisor of the UNA-NCA Graduate Fellows Program for 2025.

The GFP 2025 Fellows

2025 Fellows' Origins



GFP25 Fellows accepting their certificates of completion.

Participating Universities



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What is a UN Lens?

A UN Lens looks at topics, issues, and conflicts through what the UN is doing, has done, and should be doing. This requires our Fellows, and Program leadership alike, to dive into the week-to-week backgrounders, which are distributed each week with an appropriate topic review, to expand our knowledge, write proposals and become micro-experts on the matter. This also requires us to engage with professionals in these fields, whether they are currently in the UN system, retired from it, or interacted with the UN system throughout their career.

We accentuate our careers sessions by splitting them into two parts for the 2025 GFP cohort, **Careers in UN Organizations** and **Careers in the UN Network Organizations**. Allowing for a full look at jobs and opportunities, and how to interact with these fields at an entry level.



Guest Speaker Ellen Goldstein and three Fellows discussing the development challenges multilateral organization country staff face after a Friday Substantive Session.



A series of photographs showcasing fellows and program leadership asking compelling questions and engaging with guest speakers during Friday substantive sessions

GFP25 Topics & Partners

The Graduate Fellows Program covers many topics over the spring semester. We recognize that many of these topics below could have a whole semester class spent studying them. We focus on each topic for a week, providing an expansive background paper, written by seasoned professionals in our leadership, advisory council, and directors of the program.

Exploring the UN System: Structures, Debates, and Issues

Guest Speaker: Daniel Forti, Senior UN Analyst, International Crisis Group.

A UN Lens on the Finances of the UN System: How are the UN System's Financial Resources Used? Who Pays for the UN System Today and How? Who Should Pay Tomorrow, and How?

Leader & Guest: Andrew Hyde, Senior Fellow and Director at the Stimson Center.

Towards Peace and Security: The United Nations at Work

Guest: Antti Pentikäinen, Director of the Mary Hoch Center for Reconciliation and Research Professor at the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution.

United Nations Resident Coordinators: Translating Principles into Practice in Individual Member States

Leader: Judith Edstrom; Guest: Jessica Faieta, Senior Fellow and lecturer at the Jackson School of Global Affairs at Yale University, former Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General in the UN Mission for the verification of the Peace Accords in Colombia.

Human Rights at the Heart of The United Nations - Principles and Practice

Leader: Paula Boland; Guest: Scott Busby, Distinguished Fellow at the Human rights Institute, Georgetown University Law School; Senior Associate (Non-resident) at the Human Rights Initiative, Center for Strategic and International Studies; and Advisor at Human Rights First.

UN System Response to Humanitarian Crises

Guest: Sam Worthington, former CEO of Plan International USA and currently serves as Vice Chair of the Van Leer Foundations; Principal on the U.N. Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC); executive board, Global Executive Leadership Initiative at the U.N.; Vice Chair of Forum; Advisory Board member at the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies; Board secretary of the Center for Disaster Philanthropy; and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

United Nations and Artificial Intelligence: Promoting Good Governance and Sustainable Development

Guest: Aaron Poynton, entrepreneur and best-selling author. He is the CEO and founder of Omnipoynt Solutions, a 4IR-technology strategy, business development, and government relations consulting firm in the aerospace & defense, national security, and health & safety markets, co-founder and chief commercial officer of A3 Global, a next-generation company focused on the future of mobility in the circular economy, and co-founder and Chairman of the American Society for AI.

The UN and Development Challenges: With and Beyond SDGs

Guest: Ellen Goldstein, Former World Bank Country Director Bangladesh and Myanmar; Published author of "Damned if you do: Foreign Aid and My Struggle to Do Right in Myanmar." Currently an international development consultant and leadership coach.

The UN, The Challenging Environment, and Climate Change

Guest: David Waskow, Director of the World Resource Institute's International Climate Initiative.

Ideals and Practice at the UN for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:

Guest: Anne Simmons-Benton, UNA-NCA's Board Chair, Principal at Deep Water Point and Associates, Co-Head of the US Delegation to the Women20 (W20), Deputy Chair for the Society for International Development – US, Board Member for Mines Advisory Group – US.

Participating Organizations

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Career Sessions

To engage the Fellows about the UN, and help equip them with the means to make an impact upon the UN and the issues it addresses, the Graduate Fellows Program considers its Career Strategy sessions, which take place twice during the Fellowship, and semester-long mentorship program essential to its programming.

Career Strategy sessions invited Fellows to discuss the changing international careers landscape and the recruitment practices of international organizations with human resources professionals and hiring managers, while the Program's mentorship program offered Fellows an opportunity to develop a professional connection with mid-career and senior international affairs practitioners.

1st Career Session: Careers in the United Nations and the World Bank Group Institutions

Panelists:

Brandon White: External Relations Officer, UNHCR - Washington Office

Sarah Jackson Han: Senior Advisor, UN Development Program (UNDP)

Alistair Sommerville: Senior Partnerships Officer, UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)

William Davis: Director, UN Information Centre - Washington Office

Diana Seveney: Deputy Division Chief, Institute for Capacity Development Global Partnerships Division, International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Yumiko Kaizuka: Senior HR Officer, International Finance Corporation (IFC)

2nd Career Session: Navigating Global Careers, Building Skills, Networks, and Opportunities

Panelists:

Ash Asher, MPH: GFP Alumni, Senior Director, Strategic Partnership Alliance, Health Management Academy

Sam Worthington: Chair of UNA-NCA's Advisory Council

Dr. Richard Ponzio: Senior Fellow and Director, Global Governance, Justice & Security at the Stimson Center; former GFP Fellow

Rachel Locklear Hall: Senior Program Officer, Federal Relations Team, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; and former Associate Vice President at CARE

Hayley Pottle: GFP23 Alumni, former Program Analyst on the Digital Inclusion team within the Innovation, Technology, and Research HUB at USAID

Elizabeth (Liz) Hume: Executive Director, Alliance for Peacebuilding

Sessions Oversight Coordinator:

Stephen F. Moseley: Steve directed the 2025 GFP Career Sessions.

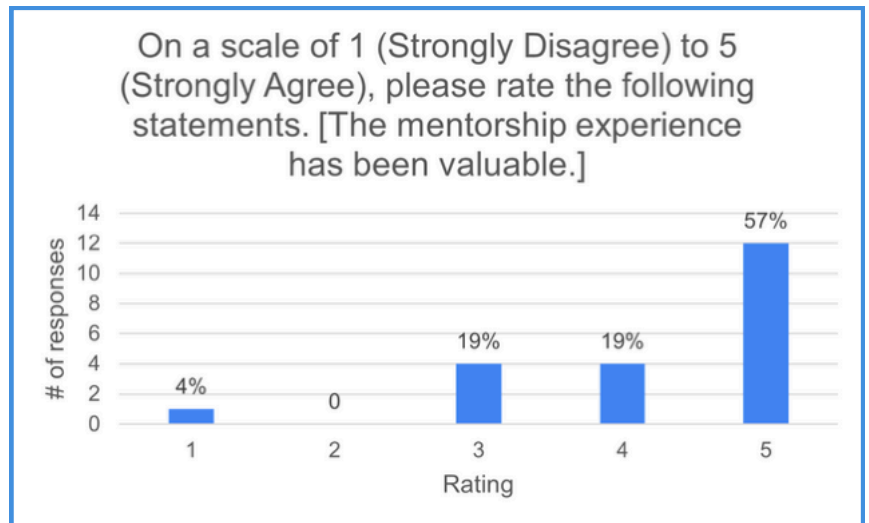
Our Mentorship Program & Feedback by GFP25 Fellows

Near the end of each cohort, we administer a program evaluation survey to the Fellows. This evaluation allows us to identify design and implementation failures and successes so we may improve and iterate on them in subsequent programs. This section of the report includes respondents' reactions and feedback to various aspects of the program, beginning with our mentorship program.

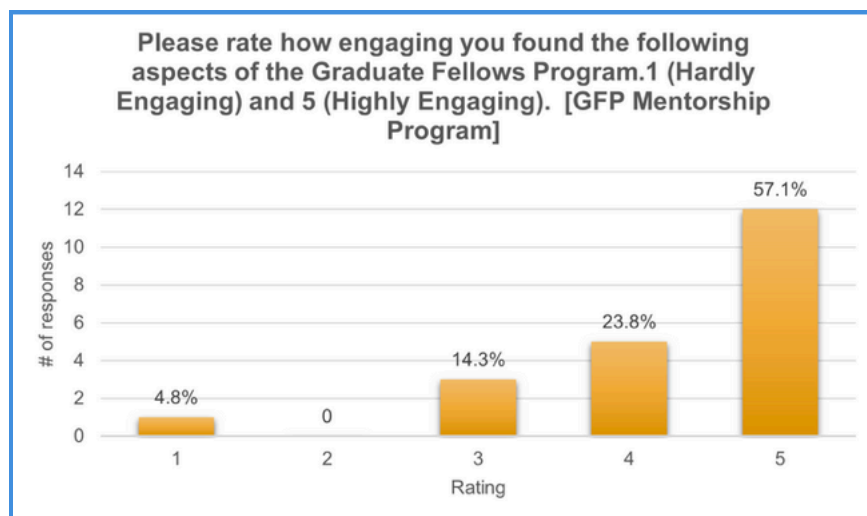
One key aspect of our Fellowship is connecting our Fellows with mentors who have a wide range of experiences, drawing from many fields of expertise. This aspect provides UNA-NCA members with a plethora of opportunities to engage with the program. This includes providing Fellows with career/professional advice and experiences outside the "GFP Classroom". While our formal programming is only a spring semester long, the mentoring relationships we facilitate often exceed the length of the program.

Who are the people mentoring in our program? Where do they come from?

This year, we had **43** working and retired professionals willing to be paired with fellows for mentoring services. This group included UNA-NCA board members, advisors, volunteers, as well as professionals from universities, UN organs, and NGOs.



57% of Fellows surveyed said they strongly agreed that the mentorship experience has been valuable to them!



57.1% of Fellows surveyed said they found the mentorship program highly engaging!

When asked about their thoughts on the GFP Mentorship Experience during our evaluation survey one fellow had this to say:

"The mentorship program has been great. The mentors are clearly committed to our successes and are all well-established practitioners with much experience and expertise to share with us."

What did the Fellows have to say about their mentoring experience?

The dedication to educating and guiding our future leaders is apparent in the glowing feedback our fellows provided when asked about their mentoring experience this year! Here's some of the things they had to say:

"It has been incredibly helpful and the best thing I got out from this fellowship"



"The mentorship aspect was my favorite part of this experience. I especially liked that my mentor came to speak to the group/is coming for the final session so that I have opportunities to engage with them in-person, as most of our meetings were virtual."



"I am extremely happy to be able to meet my mentor. My mentor helped me to build my confidence and made me realize that the work I am doing is important. I think the mentorship does help me grow even though I only met my mentor a couple times. I definitely learned a lot about the UN from my mentor's experience."



GFP25 Fellow Jacqueline Hatch and her mentor Steve Moseley attending our 2025 Annual Meeting

"The Mentorship Program elevated my overall experience with the GFP. My mentor played a very integral role in providing sound advice that helped to shape my professional outlook. Through these discussions, I was able to tailor my resume to attract the right jobs, while connecting with the right people."

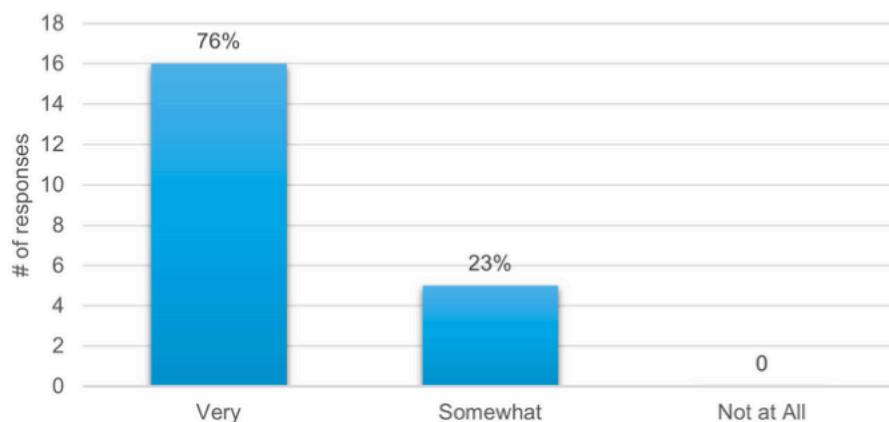


"I found the GFP Mentorship program to be incredibly valuable. Having a mentor throughout the program was beneficial in providing personalized guidance, professional insights, and consistent support. In addition to providing practical and strategic advice, the mentorship bridged the gap between academic learning and real-world application. It also enhanced my confidence and sharpened my career goals by making the Fellowship experience more personal and connected."

Feedback by GFP25 Fellows

The core of our Fellowship program is founded on our Friday substantive sessions. Each class focused on leading substantive issues, with two sessions focused on possible career paths. Here is some feedback from the fellows on those sessions gained through our survey.

To what extent did you find the GFP Career Sessions helpful?



76% of Fellows surveyed found the Career sessions very helpful to their career journey.

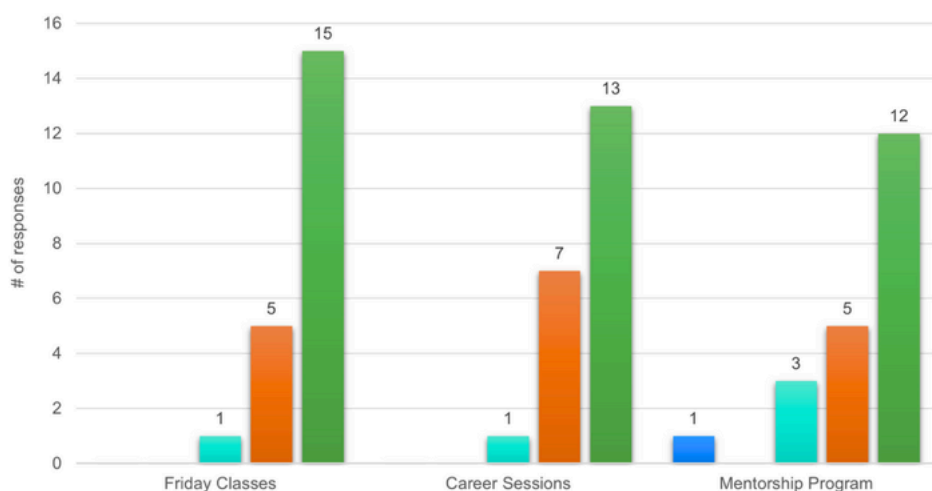
Here are some of the comments 2025 Fellows shared when asked about their thoughts on the Career Sessions during the evaluation survey:

"It was helpful as I was able to connect with the panelists after the sessions. I have since met with 2 of the panelists, who have given me advice on how to apply for a job within their firm and have helped me revamp my resume to reflect the job I am applying for within their organization."

"It was helpful to learn how recruitment works directly from employees and recruiters in the organizations. It helped me prepare more strategically."

"The career sessions were extremely valuable - especially given the diversity of people engaged with the UN that were represented and their unique points of entry into the UN. Some of the advice that was shared regarding the application process to the UN was also very helpful as I am in the process of applying to and finding internships at the UN myself."

Please rate how engaging you found the following aspects of the Graduate Fellows Program. 1 (Hardly Engaging) and 5 (Highly Engaging)



71%, 61%, & 57% of Fellows surveyed rated these three aspects (respectively) of the program as highly engaging.

Here are some of the comments 2025 Fellows shared when asked about their thoughts on the Friday Classes during the evaluation survey:

"The session on the UN System: Development with Guest: Ellen Goldstein was my favorite session. Ellen's method of teaching was very engaging as she utilized break out groups and UN sample scenario to guide her presentation."

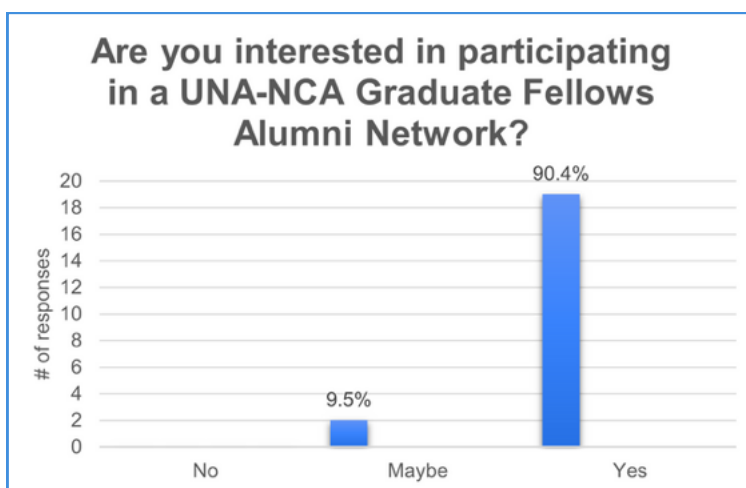
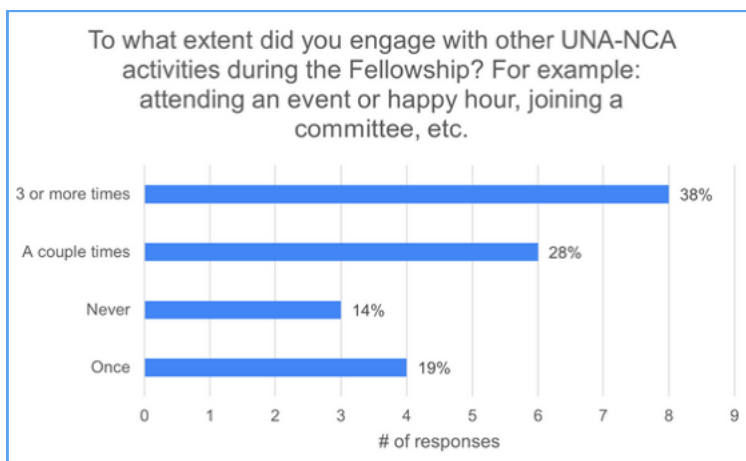
"Topics related to human rights, humanitarian action, and diversity and inclusion were some of my favorites to discuss. I'm not a finance person, which is why I rated those sessions a bit lower. As I mentioned earlier, I really loved the group session that Anne hosted. Hands-on learning is especially helpful for me. I was also blown away and deeply moved by the student presentations. It was powerful to see how much we could share about our experiences in just two minutes."

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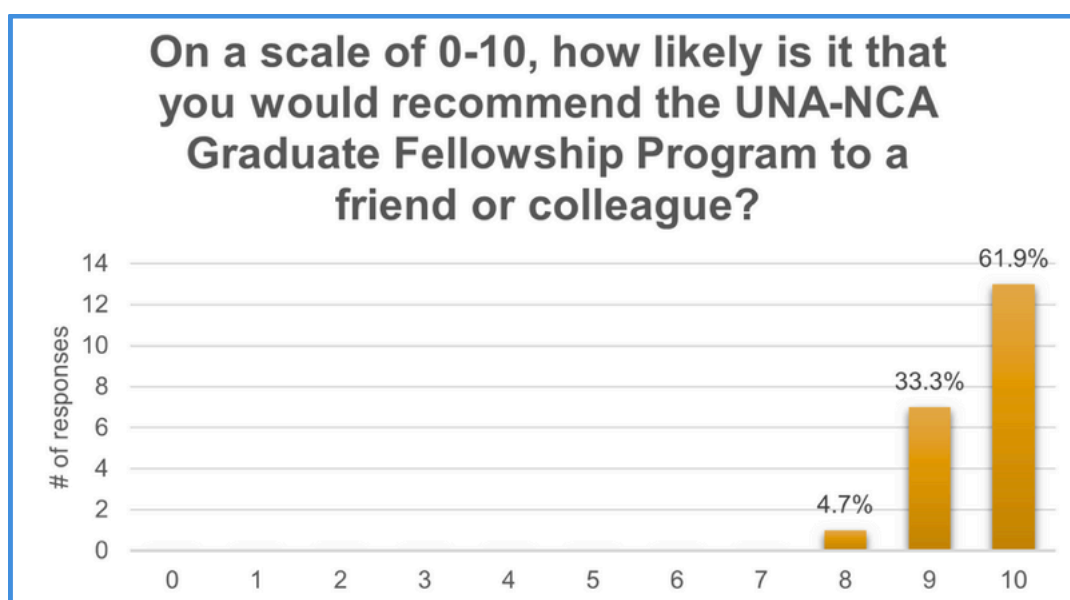
Our program is one of many that UNA-NCA offers to help encourage involvement in the organization from the brilliant minds that DC universities attract every year.

In fact, **66%** of Fellows surveyed said they engaged with other UNA-NCA activities. This provides evidence that Graduate Fellows want to participate in the larger organization. This shows how the program acts as a pipeline for bringing in young and fresh talent into the organization.

90.4% of Fellows surveyed indicated they are interested in joining our alumni network. This alumni network, with proper support, can extend participant engagement with UNA-NCA long after Fellows graduate from the program. Providing another avenue to extend UNA-NCA's membership network and draw in younger members.



100% of Fellows surveyed said they would recommend the program to a friend!



GFP Alumni Activities

Keeping in close touch with the hundreds of former Fellows is not always easy, so we encourage them to reach out and update us about significant developments in their lives. Here are a few examples of what we have heard over the past few years:

Charlotte Prud'Homme, a GFP '18 Fellow, shares her career journey before and after the Graduate Fellows Program. Charlotte is a native French speaker from Montreal who grew up in New Jersey, is passionate about peacebuilding and strengthening resilience in marginalized communities through food and farming.



Having worked, taught and consulted in 6 continents on regenerative systems, food security, fairtrade craft initiative and has partnered with multinational organizations, universities, governments, NGO's and the private sector. She holds a BA/MA from American University in Washington, D.C., her Permaculture Design Certificate from the KulKul farm in Bali, and last year completed the Tropical Forest Landscapes certificate program through Yale University.

Before moving to the Caribbean, Charlotte worked in Guatemala, Kenya, Israel, Sierra Leone, Costa Rica, Peru and India. Charlotte has managed a dynamic assortment of sustainable agriculture operations involving youth within the Caribbean including school gardens, orchards and food forests at The Center for Sustainable Development in Eleuthera, The Bahamas and most recently for The Walkers Institute for Regenerative Research Education & Design in Barbados.

Charlotte has integrated her skills in nonviolent communication and international environmental peacebuilding through hands-on research and volunteering. She currently lives in Barbados where she is an edible landscaping consultant, UN Live Museum Culture Curator, food writer for Barbados Foodie Magazine and an entrepreneur advocating for regenerative agriculture, climate, localized food systems, food security and building resilience amongst marginalized populations with a focus on women and youth.



Kristi Riggs, a GFP '19 Fellow, is currently an Adjunct Professor at both Georgetown University and Southern New Hampshire University, where she teaches courses in Liberal Studies and Communications. She is also a second-year student in the Doctorate of Liberal Studies program at Georgetown University, focusing her dissertation on the experiences of Female-Headed Households in Jordanian refugee camps. In the summer of 2024, Kristi participated in a language immersion program in Jordan and taught English to Syrian refugees. This experience has had a significant impact on her academic research and professional trajectory.



Palmira Mangae, a GFP '20 Fellow shares her career journey since graduating from the program. "Since the 2020 Cohort of the GFP, I went on to complete my graduate school program in December of 2021 at the University of Maryland, College Park and was selected as a finalist for the Presidential Management Fellowship program, Class of 2022. In January of 2022, I was promoted to a Senior Specialist, Global Health at the Association of Public Health Laboratories where I had worked for about 6 years at the time. I continued working at APHL until early February 2023.

In February of 2023, I accepted an appointment to the Health Resources and Services Administration as a Presidential Management Fellow and Public Health Analyst. Currently, I am on a 6-month rotation, as part of the fellowship, to the Centers for Disease Control."



Emma DeCaro, a GFP '22 Fellow, is a hearing-disabled student from Gallaudet University. She writes that her GFP mentor "was critical to opening up a network of people who could advise and encourage me as I go through the US State Department Foreign Service selection process." Emma's key lesson of her GFP experience is "Don't be afraid to invite yourself to the party." This, she writes, is the essence of networking. Show up for events, ask your parents or teachers for contacts in a company of interest to you. Reach out, she advises!

Emma has had multiple internships. She advocated for Deaf Kurdish human rights initiatives with the Kurdistan Regional Government Representation and worked with a remarkable non-profit called Martha EDU to increase the literacy of deaf children in Amman, Jordan.



Tatjana Titareva, PhD, a GFP '24 Fellow. Through her GFP experience, Tatjana gained an all-encompassing overview of how the UN operates. Through her participation, she gained valuable networking opportunities that paved the way for exciting careers in AI policy development.

"The UNA-NCA GFP Fellowship provided a comprehensive overview of the UN, its bodies, and associated organizations. It also allowed me to network with high-profile individuals and experts aligned with the SDGs. Through these connections, I discovered exciting career paths, including acceptance into the Center for AI and Digital Policy's (CAIDP) AI Policy Clinic, a highly competitive online program focusing on AI policy analysis, research, and evaluation, as well as landing a job as a Staff Scientist in AI Policy Lab at Umeå University in Sweden."

Towards GFP26



GFP25 Fellows and guest speakers during various program sessions and events.

Planning for GFP26 is actively underway. The main elements of the Program will continue: examining key current global issues with a UN focus, careers in UN organizations and in the vast network of UN-related bodies, mentoring, with a visit to New York City for the UNA-USA Global Engagement Summit. We will continue to invite speakers with relevant current UN experience and to identify and match diverse mentors with experience relevant to the interests of individual Fellows. Additionally, we will further encourage Fellows to participate in other UNA-NCA events, activities, and committees. Participation in other UNA-NCA events, activities, and committees will also be encouraged. The program will be managed via Canvas's online class management website to further streamline program implementation. Finally, we will continue to enhance the GFP Alumni network, now with the aid and resources of the Impact Fellowships Network (IFN) Research Consortium. UNA-NCA is committed to and looking forward to announcing the startup of the GFP 2026 program soon and welcoming the continuing dialogue with past Fellows and our supporters.

UNA-NCA is deeply grateful to those current and future donors who are making it possible to support the GFP and to serve the students' needs, to understand and celebrate the role of the UN in sustaining its founding goals and mission for future international professional leaders. Please contact the UNA-NCA office at unanca@unanca.org or visit our donation page at <https://www.unanca.org/get-involved/give/donate> to explore how you, as a donor, can participate in and strengthen, through your tax-deductible donations, this highly successful international leadership development program for young professionals in the decade ahead.

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