



FLOURISHING FELLOWS: ONE YEAR IN

In its inaugural year, the Flourishing Fellows program has made an impact on Emory's campus, encouraging students to connect in significant and substantial ways. With a focus on developing a listening ear, the community building fellows are tasked with inviting friends, acquaintances and even strangers into intentional conversation.

BY THE NUMBERS

2

semesters of the
Flourishing Fellows
program with the
support of the
Provost's Office

18

Flourishing Fellows
spanning class
years and
backgrounds

82

different
settings for
meaningful
conversations

22

cohort meetings
thus far for skill
building and
bonding

360

Kaldi's beverages
procured

>500

Flourishing Engagements
logged by Fellows

Countless stories told, connections made, & friendships seeded.



CONVERSATIONS WITHOUT BORDERS

Fellows track their engagements throughout the year, including the place where their interaction happens. These are some of the most common places where flourishing conversations are happening:



WEEKLY COHORT MEETINGS

Our weekly cohort meetings give the program staff and fellows an opportunity to check in with each other and to continue growing our skills as community builders. In a cohort meeting, we might discuss: strategies for deepening conversation, how to follow up, campus resources for students who are struggling, or making room for self-care as students. So much of the fellows' work is about creating space for others, and this meeting time is about giving the fellows a space for mindfulness and reflection.

TESTIMONIALS

"This may seem insignificant, but as a slightly introverted and anxious person, Flourishing Fellows has opened the door to random encounters and conversations with people that I would generally shy away from."

"Participating in the program has brought me a lot of joy, and in each flourishing conversation I feel lucky to get to share that joy of connection with another person."

"The opportunity to learn and get to know students has allowed me to go beyond surface-level conversations and make deep friendships founded on trust and care."



FLOURISHING FELLOWS 2022-2023



Naomi Altman - '26

Mai Khuyen Bui - '24

Sara Flano - '23

Chris Gadomski - '23

Jose Garcia - '23

Luke Hibbeln - '26

Matowacipi Horse - '24

Nica Leung - '26

Koluchi Odiegwu - '24

Elise O'Hara-David - '26

Isabel Packard - '24

Ilsa Qureshi - '26

Deanna Sharpe - '26

Cole Smith - '24

Krish Surana - '24

Jeffrey Wu - '25

Sophia Xioa - '25

Ejaz Haider Zaidi - '23