













# LOOKING FOR AN IMPACTFUL WAY TO INVEST IN YOURSELF?

## **ENROLL IN IMPACT ACADEMY!**

#### **WHO WE ARE**

The COLUMBUS IMPACT
ACADEMY is a community leadership initiative facilitated by the Columbus Young Professionals (CYP)
Club. The immersive experience is designed to provide an unparalleled leadership journey for young professionals / emerging leaders in central Ohio.

#### WHAT WE OFFER

Each cohort works together over 15 weeks to discover a sense of individual place and purpose, while gaining valuable perspective on community leadership, team-bonding, nonprofit board service, access to other next gen leaders, and exposure to opportunity.



www.columbusimpactacademy.com

# **FALL 2023 CURRICULUM**

The <u>Columbus Impact Academy</u> offers more than 30 hours of structured leadership sessions, team-bonding opportunities, and "field trips" for Columbus young professionals (with fewer than 20 hours during the workday) **over the course of four months**. All participants will receive a copy of *CliftonStrengths* (hard cover book and online talent assessment) plus a Columbus Impact Academy journal and 12 months of Premium CYP Club Membership. Most sessions are in-person, with 5 of the 15 sessions offered virtually for convenience (and noted below):

## **COHORT IX: DATES, TIMES, & SESSIONS**

Friday, September 8, 2023 • 12-2 p.m. ORIENTATION (virtual session)

**Tuesday, September 12, 2023 • 6-8 p.m.**Team-Bonding Session featuring
The Eureka Games @ Kelton House

Friday, September 22, 2023 • 12-2 p.m. Impact Starts with Self (virtual)

Friday, September 29, 2023 • 8-11:30 a.m. Columbus Emerging Leaders' Summit @ Franklin University's Ross Auditorium

**Wednesday, October 4, 2023 • 6-8 p.m.**Columbus Art, Community, and Connections

Friday, October 13, 2023 • 2:30-5 p.m. Getting to Know Columbus: Experience Outing + Bus Tour @ North Market

**Tuesday, October 17, 2023 • 6-8 p.m.**Finding Your Place & Purpose

@ Wild Goose Creative

Friday, October 27, 2023 • 12-2 p.m. A Conversation on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (*virtual*) Wednesday, November 1, 2023 • 6-8 p.m. Crafting Your Professional Development Plan, Part I (virtual) w/ CliftonStrengths

Friday, November 10, 2023 • 12-2 p.m.
Crafting Your Professional Development Plan,
Part II (virtual) w/ CliftonStrengths

Friday, November 17, 2023 • 1-3 p.m. New Albany "Field Trip" + Celebrating One Volunteer Activity @ Innovate New Albany

> Week of November 20-24, 2023 On Your Own Volunteering (flexible scheduling)

Tuesday, November 28, 2023 • 6-8 p.m. Leadership Through Nonprofit Board Service Panel Discussion + Group Tour @ Charity Newsies

Friday, December 8, 2023 • 1-3 p.m. Team Building & Volunteerism Outing

Friday, December 15, 2023 • 12-2 p.m. GRADUATION LUNCHEON @ COhatch Polaris

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

Commitment to a four-month leadership program with weekly sessions typically for two hours on Fri afternoons (12-2pm or 1-3pm) or Tues/Wed after-hours (6-8pm).

Commitment to two volunteer opportunities in the community facilitated by the CYP Club. Commitment to showing up on time and being present during all sessions, Commitment to Columbus and the growth of our city and region.



"What a fantastic program! The Columbus Impact Academy was a robust, 15-week immersion in professional development. The sessions were highly engaging and covered a diverse set of topics. The academy allowed me to leverage my own background while developing new skill sets. Hearing from fellow classmates allowed me to shift my lens and perspective from that of an individual contributor to that of a community steward. I feel humbled and privileged to have had the opportunity to be part of such a well-designed, thoughtful, and impactful program."

NEETHI JOHNSON (Cohort IV), Vice President of Digital Strategy at JP Morgan Chase



"The Impact Academy was a unique experience that allowed me to look at the community differently. It was a great experience!"

KAYLA DAVIS (Cohort III), Founder/Executive Director of A Step in the Right Direction

# **TESTIMONIALS**



"I can't say enough about how this has changed my perspective, my leadership and my impact on my community. I am forever aware of community, grateful for the opportunity and appreciative of CYP Club for providing this Impact Academy!"

YOLANDA JACKSON (Cohort VI), Director of Financial Empowerment Services at The Columbus Urban League



"The networking opportunities the Columbus Impact Academy provided have been wonderful. I have been able to meet, connect, and develop professional relationships with individuals I would not have had the privilege of meeting otherwise."

EMANUEL DELAVERIS (Cohort VII), Interim Director of Admissions at Maryhaven



"I made lasting connections with people in all sectors. I have found that this group is extremely like minded in our commitment to civic action and engagement. I can't wait to see where these relationships evolve."

KIMBERLEE GOODMAN (Cohort IV), Executive Director at the McConnell Arts Center



"The Columbus Impact Academy gave me the opportunity to reach outside of not only my comfort zone, but my sphere of influence. I'm truly thankful for the opportunity Derek offered and the platform it was built on is something we all need. I would highly encourage any young professional who wants to do better in their community to take part in the Columbus Impact Academy."

TREY KAUFFMAN (Cohort III), CEO at Mosaic Life Creative



"The leadership, personal development, and community engagement lessons were poignant and timely. Thank you for all you do to lead this dynamic experience."

BRIANA PENN (Cohort IV), Senior Advisor, Ethics and Compliance at OhioHealth



"The Impact Academy is a program that is true to its purpose. The curriculum was interactive and engaging. It allowed the group a chance to be vulnerable and to learn each person's passion in improving our city."

DENNIS GULLICK (Cohort VI), Life Insurance Coach at New York Life