

# Wharton Leadership Ventures & Venture Fellows

2022 Information Session

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# What is WLV?

Wharton Leadership Ventures are experiences that facilitate **self-discovery, leadership, and character development**. Participants are able to step out of their comfort zone, exceed personal limitations, and **experience leadership firsthand**. These hands-on experiences for exploring and mastering the capabilities for effective individual and team leadership in business and beyond.





# Our Mission

## **McNulty Leadership Program**

To develop leaders who act with a deeper understanding of themselves, their organizations, and their communities, and contribute positively to the growth of each.

## **Venture Program**

To develop leaders who excel in stressful and ambiguous environment





# Ventures are Experiential Leadership Development Opportunities

## Venture Attributes:

- Full immersion
- Critical decision-making
- Authentic uncertainty
- Limited distractions
- Physical and emotional adversity
- Opportunities for transformative change



# WLV By the Numbers

**11 Venture Fellows** (potentially some of you!)

**2 VF Trainings**

**3-5 Intensives** (per semester)

**1 Expedition**







# INTENSIVES AND EXPEDITIONS







# 2022 Fall Intensives

## SEPTEMBER

**Team Sailing (Annapolis, MD)**

*Friday, September 30*

## OCTOBER

**Gunks Traverse Mountain Biking (New Paltz, NY)**

*Friday, October 14*

## NOVEMBER

**High Ropes Challenge Course (Philadelphia, PA)**

*Saturday, November 5*

*Intensives include all meals, transportation and equipment*





# 2022-2023 Expedition

## Patagonia Backpacking Expedition

Winter Break

*December 29th, 2021 – January 5th, 2022*





# How Ventures are Structured

## GUIDANCE & MENTORSHIP

*Participants travel expedition style within small teams guided and mentored by their Venture Fellows and expert wilderness guides.*

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

*Teams have rotating “Designated Leaders” of the day. Each participant will have the opportunity to act in leadership roles.*

## REFLECTION & LEARNING

*Debriefs will be conducted at the end of the day to extrapolate on what was learned and discuss future goals for the expedition.*

## TRANSFERENCE

*Post-venture social events with group and support on how to transfer lessons to real life.*



# Intensive and Expedition Enrollment Timeline (intensives & expeditions)

- **ALL REGISTRATION OCCURS IN TERRA DOTTA**
  - **OPEN on 9/6**
  - **CLOSES at noon on 9/21**
  - **Results published 9/23**
- **SCHOLARSHIP INTEREST FORM**
  - **OPEN on 9/6**
  - **CLOSES at on 9/13**
  - **Notified of scholarship eligibility (or not) 9/16**

**\*ALL LINKS ON WLW WEBSITE\***





# VENTURE FELLOWSHIP





# Role of the Venture Fellow

## Venture Coordination

- Assist in the Following:
  - Plan & design of the Venture
  - Preparing participants on all levels of the Venture
  - Facilitate meaningful connections and debriefs during the Venture
  - Act as a coach and provide support to all participants
  - Provide transference & reflection opportunities post Venture

## Committees

- Marketing, Development, Social, Recruitment

## Community Involvement 😊



# Venture Fellow General Responsibilities

- **Commitment** to and engage with the program till graduation
  - Includes mandatory VF trainings, committee participation, and venture-related preparation and execution
  - Time commitment per week varies throughout the year (more hours in the lead-up to your venture)
- **In service to community and as ambassadors** of Wharton, the McNulty Leadership Program, and the Leadership Venture Program
- **Willingness** to develop yourself as a leader and serve in WLV's learning environments.





# Venture Fellow Competencies

Leadership

Adaptability



Emotional  
Intelligence

Diplomacy



Effective  
Communication



Resilience



# What do you gain from serving as a VF?



Camaraderie



Training



Once-in-a-lifetime experiences





# What you commit to by being a VF

- Weekly Meetings
- Expedition Training (during fall break)
- Facilitation & Skills Training (2-3 days in spring)
- VF Responsibilities
- Committee Involvement



# VF Application Process

## TIMELINE

- Applications open 1/13/23
- Applications close 1/23/23
- Interviews: January 26-27
- Second round (in person event): February 4 from 9am - 12pm
- Mandatory Training: February 10-12