

Wharton Leadership Ventures Program

Information Session

September 13, 2022



TODAY'S Agenda



- Introduction to Wharton Leadership Ventures
- 2022-23 Venture Fellows
- Overview of Each Venture
- Housekeeping Information
- Informal Q & A

All information in this session is subject to change

OUR MISSION



To create, offer, and facilitate world-class
expeditions and intensives
that provide MBA students with highly demanding
environments for **mutual growth, experiential learning,**
and leadership development

LEADERSHIP VENTURES INVOLVE



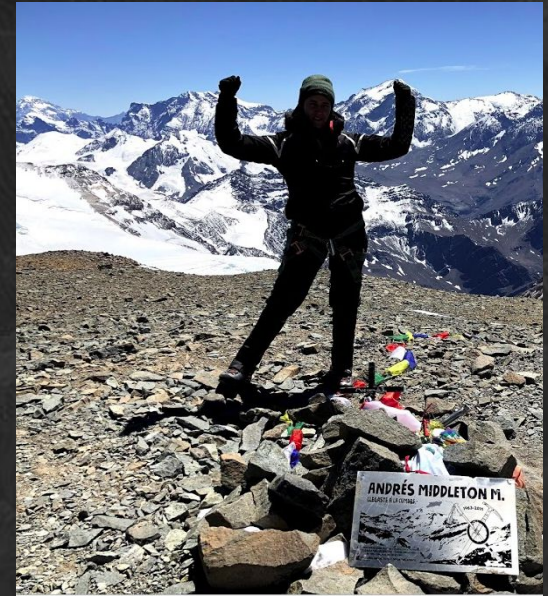
LEADERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP

Observe leadership or the absence of leadership first-hand



SELF AND PEER DISCOVERY

Step out of comfort zone



CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

Exceed personal limitations

LEADERSHIP VENTURES FORMAT



Intensives



- 1-2 days
- Within driving distance

Expeditions



- 7-9 days
- Across the globe

DEFINING CHARACTERISTICS OF AN EXPEDITION



Experiential Learning:

learn through leading, following, and doing

Feedback:

reflect on your personal and team experience

Decision Making:

make decisions, strategize, and set goals as a leader and member

Uncertainty:

risk failure, conflict, and ambiguity

Immersive:

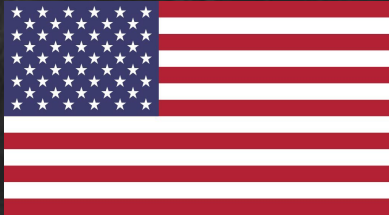
Participatory involvement for the entire venture (Crew, not passengers)

NOT a casual leisure trip!

EXPEDITIONS SPAN THE GLOBE



USA



- Intensives

Chile



- Andes Mountaineering
- Atacama Desert
- Patagonia-Cerro Castillo
- Patagonia-Isla Navarino
- Patagonia-Pumalin Park

British Virgin Islands



- Small Crew Sailing

St. Croix



- Tall Ship Sailing

New Zealand



- Mountain to Sea

EXPEDITION PARTNERS



NIVATION

- New Zealand Mt. to Sea



Sea Education Association

- Small Crew Sailing
- Tall Ships Sailing



Vertical

- Andes Mountaineering
- Atacama Desert
- Patagonia - Cerro Castillo
- Patagonia - Isla Navarino
- Patagonia - Pumalin Park



United States Marine Corps

- Quantico Military Simulation



NYC Fire Department

- FDNY Simulation

EXPEDITION RISKS & ACTIVITIES



Wharton Leadership Venture Expeditions involve **considerable risk**. Outdoor activities present **hazards**. Many ventures are isolated expeditions with significant variables that can initiate **complex emergency situations without clear or simple solutions**. Medical assistance and/or evacuation may be days away. **We do not – and cannot – guarantee your safety.**

However, we **are committed to your physical and emotional well-being**. We commit to providing you with timely, accurate information about the activities included in each of our ventures and to meet the highest industry standards for outfitter selection and risk management. You are ultimately responsible for your decisions. We believe that our students are intelligent adults who can make appropriate decisions for themselves.

PHYSICAL FITNESS



You **DO NOT** need to be in top physical shape to **participate**.
It's more about **attitude**, **mentality**, and **preparation** for the
specific venture!



But, **training** will make the experience **a lot more fun!**

PHYSICAL PREPARATION

Anyone can succeed on a venture, BUT they are **hard**. Being physically prepared ahead of your venture will make the adventure more enjoyable and allow you focus more fully on leadership development.

Venture-specific



Your VFs and WLV staff can suggest workouts to ensure you are prepped for the physical demands of your specific venture (e.g. biking, carrying a heavy pack, breaking in hiking boots)

Consistency



We suggest that you develop a routine prior to your venture. Allow for regular workouts and adequate recovery time.

Individual



It is your individual responsibility to prepare physically for the venture you are attending. Consider this your first contribution to the team you will be part of for a week in the wild.

2022-2023 VENTURE FELLOWS (& PARTNERS)



WHO ARE THE VENTURE FELLOWS?



- **Classmates:**

- 26 second-year students who love the outdoors, adventures, and using teamwork to make the dream work

- **Trained Venture Educators:**

- Lead the educational content of the Venture; trained in conflict mediation, goal setting, coaching, and group decision making

BEFORE

- Meet with each participant
- Support logistics (gear, travel, ...)

DURING

- Facilitate and deliver educational content

AFTER

- Reflect with the group

SUMMARY OF WLTV EXPEDITIONS



| Venture | Terrain | Physical Intensity | Camping/ Outdoor Living | High Altitude | Weather Exposure | Heavy Load Carrying | Endurance |
|--------------------------|----------|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Atacama | Desert | ■ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ |
| Andes Mountaineering | Mountain | ◆ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ |
| FDNY | Urban | ■ | | | | | |
| Patagonia-Isla Navarino | Mountain | ◆ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Patagonia-Cerro Castillo | Mountain | ■ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Patagonia-Pumalin Park | Mountain | ■ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Small Crew Sailing | Ocean | ■ | ✓ | | ✓ | | |
| Tall Ships Sailing | Ocean | ■ | ✓ | | ✓ | | |
| Quantico | Forest | ■ | | | ✓ | | ✓ |
| NZ Mt. to Sea | Mountain | ◆ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

◆ Very Difficult – High Level of Training Required

■ Difficult – Moderate Level of Training Required 13



FDNY

Fall Date: Oct 29th, 2022

Spring Date: TBD

FIRE DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK CITY



Venture Fellow & Basic Information

Landed
Cost:*

\$700

Group
Size:

40



Shawn Bhalla

Oct 29, 2022
Spring TBD

Venture uses real FDNY training facilities on Randall's Island, NY. Venture focuses on crisis leadership and communication through fire and emergency response simulation.



Details

Activities:

- Extinguishing burning car
- Responding to the scene of a bombing
- Searching for casualties in a smoke-filled room

Difficulty / Rigor:

- Moderate difficulty and rigor. No pre-venture training required.

Risks:

- Normal physical risks, including bumps, bruises, sprains, falls.

*Prices do not include any personal equipment, spending money, clothing, airfare, or non-expedition land travel or meals



December 1-2, 2022
Spring Dates: April 6-7, 2023

QUANTICO, USMC

QUANTICO, USMC



Venture Fellow & Basic Information

Landed
Cost:*

\$700*

Group
Size:

120

Dec. 1 - 2, 2022

April 6 - 7, 2023

This venture builds upon U.S. Marine Corps programs for developing leadership at its Officer Candidate School (OCS) in Quantico, Virginia.



Brandon Rollins

Details

Activities:

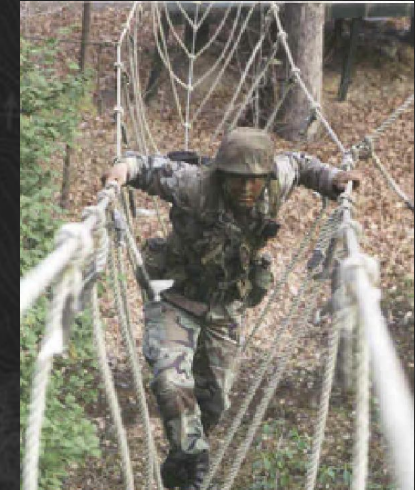
- Adaptability Training
- Leadership Reaction Course
- Tarzan Confidence Course
- Combat Obstacle Course

Difficulty / Rigor:

- Moderate difficulty and rigor, but little pre-Venture physical training required.

Risks:

- Bumps, bruises, sprains, fractures. Insect bites. Cold and heat related injuries.



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TALL SHIPS SAILING

NAVIGATION & OCEANOGRAPHIC EXPLORATION

December 29, 2022 – January 6, 2023

TALL SHIP SAILING



Venture Fellow & Basic Information

Landed
Cost:*

\$4,300

Group
Size:

21

Dec. 29, 2022 - Jan. 6, 2023

Three teams of seven participants
navigating and managing a 134 foot-long
Brigantine ship for 8 days in open sea,
from St. Croix to San Juan



Ania Zielinska



Yongmei Hu



Vaibhav Grover



Details

Activities:

- Continuous navigation
- Critical oceanographic research
- Sailing
- Ship management, including ship watch

Difficulty / Rigor:

- Pre-trip conditioning: Low to moderate
- Expect moderate physical challenges
- Irregular sleep
- Decision-making under unfamiliar circumstances

Risks:

- Sea Sickness
- Sunburn/Heatstroke
- Deep Waters
- Dehydration

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Andes Mountaineering

Winter: December 29, 2022 – January 5, 2023

Spring: March 4 – 11, 2023



ANDES MOUNTAINEERING



Venture Fellow & Basic Information

Landed Cost:*

\$3,700

Group Size:

24

Winter: Dec. 29, 2022 - Jan. 5, 2023
Spring: March 4 - 11, 2023

Alpine climb of a major peak in the Central Chilean Andes. This venture will provide both physical and mental challenge exercising leadership, teamwork, and self-discipline.



Francesca Gencarella
(Winter)



Gregory Muir
(Winter)



Maggie Yuan
(Spring)



Div Mehra
(Spring)



Details

Activities:

- Mountaineering
- Glacier travel
- Day hiking

Difficulty / Rigor:

- Pre-Trip Conditioning: High (good physical condition a must)
- During Venture: High (long periods of strenuous activity)

Risks:

- Altitude sickness
- Frostbite and hypothermia
- Crevasses
- Avalanches

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New Zealand

Maunga ki te Moana | Mountains to the Sea

Winter: December 29, 2022 – January 5, 2023



NEW ZEALAND



Venture Fellow & Basic Information

Landed Cost:*

\$5,000

Group Size:

18



Amy Ryu



Curtis Garner

Dec. 29, 2022 - Jan. 5, 2023

Three teams of six participants trekking the Southern Alps, rafting river gorges, and cycling the plains in the South Island of New Zealand.



Lauren Gardanier



Details

| Activities: | Difficulty / Rigor: | Risks: |
|--|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trekking (mountain travel, river crossing) Rafting (moderate grade rapids, self guided) Non-technical mountain and road biking | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High (good physical condition recommended) Participant must pass bike test before venture | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cold / Hypothermia Sunburn / Heatstroke Fast / Deep Water Snow / Ice |

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A photograph of a sailboat with a red sail sailing on the ocean at sunset. The sky is filled with orange and pink clouds, and the water is dark blue. The boat's mast and rigging are visible in the foreground.

SMALL CREW SAILING TACTICS, NAVIGATION & RACING

March 4 – 11, 2023

SMALL CREW SAILING



Venture Fellow & Basic Information

Landed
Cost:*

\$4,300



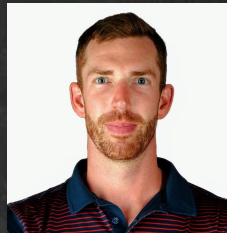
Aditi Srinivas



Marketa Jakubcova

Group
Size:

20



Tom Dethlefs



Tim Jacob

March 4 - 11, 2023

8-day intense experience in British Virgin Islands on a 44-foot modern sailboat learning about sailing, navigation, steering, tactics, and racing in a dynamic, small team environment

Details

Activities:

- Tactical sailing and racing
- Navigation courses
- Close-quarter community living
- Active teamwork and communication

Difficulty / Rigor:

- Pre-trip conditioning: Low to moderate
- Expect moderate physical challenges
- Prepare to function as a team and develop as a leader

Risks:

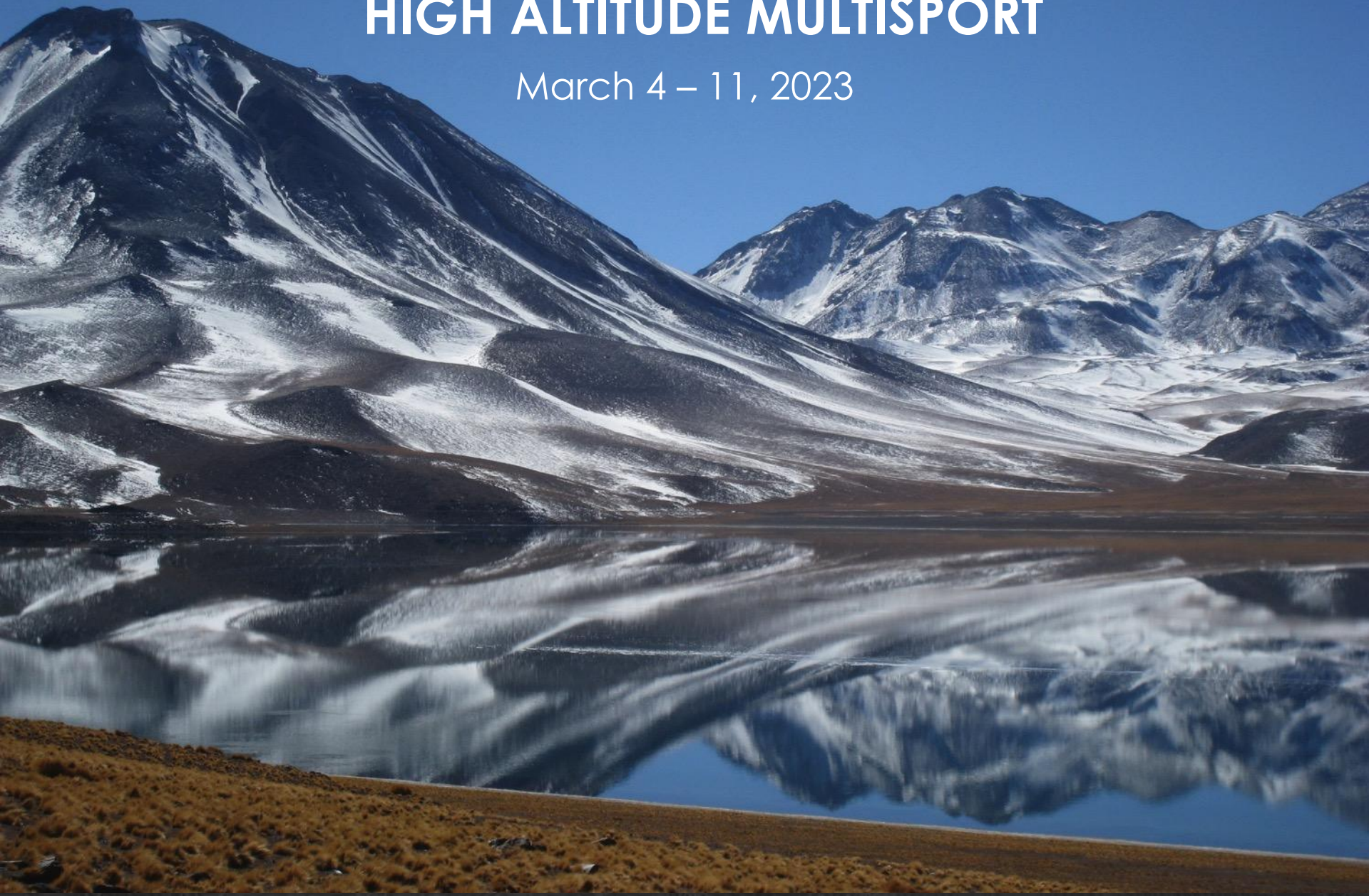
- Sea sickness
- Heat stroke
- Exhaustion
- Sunburn
- Discomfort



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ATACAMA DESERT HIGH ALTITUDE MULTISPORT

March 4 – 11, 2023



ATACAMA DESERT



Venture Fellow & Basic Information

Landed
Cost:*

\$3,900

Group
Size:

24

March 4-11, 2023

Spend a week in one of the most unique and beautiful landscapes on earth, and challenge yourself and support your teammates through multiple activities, all done at altitude



Charu
Maheshwari



Lisa Friedmann



Scott Holmes

Details

| Activities: | Difficulty / Rigor: | Risks: |
|--|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trekking Mountain Biking Rock Climbing Mountaineering Navigation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-trip conditioning: High (good physical condition recommended) During Venture: High Participants must pass bike test before landing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High altitude Falling rocks Extreme cold (frostbite and hypothermia) Sunburn/heatstroke Multi-day exposure |

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Patagonia - Cerro Castillo

March 4 – 11, 2023

Patagonia - Cerro Castillo



Venture Fellow & Basic Information

Landed
Cost:*

\$3,900

Group
Size:

24



David
Kielsmeier



Konyin Adesoye

March 4 - 11, 2023

Week of trekking in Chile's Patagonia region on one of the world's most stunning mountain trails – the Cerro Castillo circuit



Details

Activities:

- Backpacking
- Trekking
- Tent camping
- Rafting

Difficulty / Rigor:

- Conditioning: High
- During Venture: High (10+ hours of hiking with full backpacks on some days)

Risks:

- Multi-day exposure
- Unexpected weather
- Exhaustion
- Isolated travel
- Hypothermia

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Patagonia - Pumalin Park

March 4 – 11, 2023



Patagonia - Pumalin Park



Venture Fellows & Basic Information

Landed
Cost:*

\$3,900

Group Size:

24



Avanty Kavi



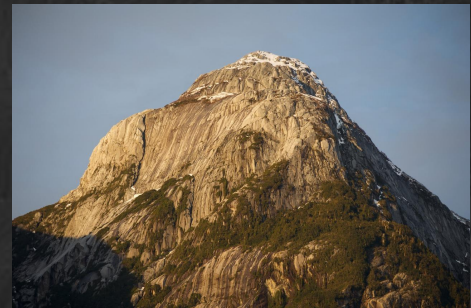
Kendall Bedford

March 4 - 11, 2023

Week of trekking in Chile's northern Patagonia region in Pumalin Park with temperate rainforest, fjords, and mountains



Dillon Patel



Details

| Activities: | Difficulty / Rigor: | Risks: |
|--|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Backpacking/trekking▪ Climbing/scrambling/height exposure▪ Tent camping▪ Rafting/kayaking** | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Conditioning: Moderate▪ During Venture: Moderate (Long trekking days with packs) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Multi-day exposure▪ Unexpected weather▪ Exhaustion▪ Isolated travel▪ Hypothermia |

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**May change due to weather and other factors



Patagonia - Isla Navarino

December 28 - January 5, 2023

Patagonia - Isla Navarino



Venture Fellow & Basic Information

Landed
Cost:*

\$4,400

Group
Size:

36



Luis Issa



Georgina Coleman

Dec 28, 2022 - Jan 5, 2023

A week of trekking in Chile's southernmost Patagonia region with views of the Cape Horn archipelago.

Details

Activities:

- Backpacking
- Trekking
- Tent camping
- Water works challenge

Difficulty / Rigor:

- Highest physical conditioning recommended
- During Venture: High (10+ hours of hiking with full backpacks on some days)

Risks:

- Multi-day exposure
- Unexpected weather
- Exhaustion
- Isolated travel
- Hypothermia

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IMPORTANT DATES

VF Coffee Chats

- Week of 9/12 at various times in MBA Cafe and on Zoom
- More information to come!

TerraDotta

- **Opens:** Monday, September 12
- **Fall INTENSIVES & Winter EXPEDITIONS Closes:** Monday, September 19th at 11:59 PM ET
- **Seat offers and waitlist position notifications:** Monday, September 26th
- **Spring EXPEDITIONS:** Enrollment will run later in the semester
- *Payment always due within 48 hours of notification from VF*

Waitlist and Add/Drop

- **Opens: September 26th**
 - *If you are taken off a waitlist you have:*
 - 24-hours to accept the seat
 - 48-hours to pay your fee to reserve your spot
 - You can add yourself to a waitlist during Add/Drop

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON SCHOLARSHIPS



1 scholarship seat per Expedition

▪ **The Application for Scholarships via Qualtrics Survey**

- You must apply for a venture just as everyone else.
- Indicate your desire to be considered for a scholarship by filling out the qualtrics scholarship survey located on the the WLV website **before midnight on 19 September 2022.**
- All scholarship applicants will be submitted to the Wharton Financial aid for determination of eligibility.
- One eligible scholarship applicants for each venture will be randomly selected to receive a scholarship.
- All applicants will be will be notified of their scholarship status.
- Scholarship applicant who did not qualify or win a scholarship **may remain on the venture or waitlist** in a full paying participant capacity.

You can also utilize Student Experience Funds to help with costs.

TERRADOTTA REGISTRATION



Registration priority:

- Second-year students who have not been on an venture
- First-year students
- Second-year students with previous venture
- Randomization among those with common parameters

TERRADOTTA REGISTRATION

- Apply for programs on [TerraDotta](#)
- Utilize the [Program Search](#) function to locate the expedition or intensive of interest
- Program pages house additional information, as well as the link to apply

Overview
Location
Payments and Policies
Meet your Venture Fellows
Venture Partner
Travel Visa

Apply Now

Login to an existing application for this program

Information sheet

| | |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Opportunity Type | Leadership Venture - Expedition |
| Open to | MBA23, MBA24 |

Dates / Deadlines:

| Term | Year | App Deadline | Decision Date | Start Date | End Date |
|--------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|------------|------------|
| Winter Break | 2022-2023 | 09/19/2022 | 09/26/2022 | 12/28/2022 | 01/05/2023 |

Venture to the end of the world. Renowned for its combination of temperate forests, sub-polar evergreen rain-forests and coastal marine environments, Navarino Island is regarded as one of the world's most pristine wilderness areas. Participants on this venture will cover a distance of approximately 33 miles while circumnavigating the Dientes Circuit. Opportunities for summiting mountains and negotiating technical terrain will arise throughout the week. Physical conditioning and mental preparation for this venture is highly recommended.

Special Considerations

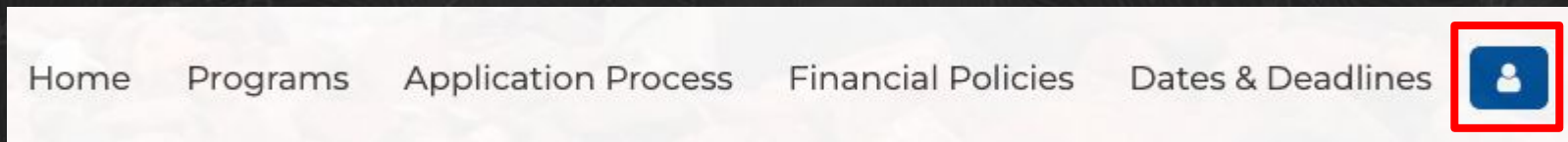
Activities include navigation and route finding, and rigorous hiking. Risks included multi-day exposure, hypothermia, and isolated travel.

The trip requires a very high level of physical conditioning. Venture Fellows will consult with participants about required training.

TERRADOTTA REGISTRATION



- Login to the system return to an application you've already started (do not click 'apply now' again)



- Submit your application once all app requirements are met
- If you are applying to more than one program, you **must rank** the programs prior to the application deadline
- [Full application instructions](#)

COVID CONSIDERATIONS



Currently venture destinations are open for travel with minimal required documentation

covidchecker.com

coronavirus.upenn.edu

PAYMENT & CANCELLATION

■ Payment:

- Visa, MasterCard, or American Express via online payment portal.
Missed payment deadlines can result in Venture removal.

■ WLW Sponsored Travel Insurance:

- Pre-purchased for you by the university
- Reimburses 75% of the “Landed Cost” of the venture (the amount paid to WLW directly) and other qualifying costs.
 - Trip “Interruption” and “Delay” coverage varies
- The Wharton School and the Wharton Leadership Venture Program will not administer refunds directly.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **No Academic Conflicts**

- Ventures do not conflict with the academic calendar and are not an acceptable excuse for missing classes or coursework

- **Focused Recruiting Period**

- January 5 - 13, 2023; does conflict with Ventures

- **Travel Dates**

- Dates as shown do not include travel days to/from Venture

- **Costs**

- Prices do not include cost of personal equipment, clothing, airfare, land travel, non-venture meals, or spending money

- **Cancelling Ventures**

- We reserve the right to cancel any Venture at any time for any reason or remove participants from any Expedition at any time for any reason

Questions? Ask your Venture Fellows!



WG23 VENTURE FELLOWS



MAGGIE YUAN
ANDES SPRING



DIV MEHRA
ANDES SPRING



GEORGINA COLEMAN
NAVARINO



SHAWN BHALLA
INTENSIVES



KONYIN ADESOYE
PATAGONIA



MAY HU
TALL SHIPS



ADITI SRINIVAS
SMALL CREW



GREGORY MUIR
ANDES WINTER



FRANCESCA GENCARELLA
ANDES WINTER



LUIS ISSA VILLAREAL
NAVARINO



BRANDON ROLLINS
INTENSIVES



DAVID KIELSMEIER
PATAGONIA



VAIBHAV GROVER
TALL SHIPS



TOM DETHLEFS
SMALL CREW



CURTIS GARNER
MOUNTAIN TO SEA



AMY RYU
MOUNTAIN TO SEA



LAUREN GARDANIER
MOUNTAIN TO SEA



DILLON PATEL
PATAGONIA



ANIA ZIELINSKA
TALL SHIPS



MARKETA JAKUBCOVA
SMALL CREW



CHARU MAHESHWARI
ATACAMA



LISA FRIEDMANN
ATACAMA



SCOTT HOLMES
ATACAMA



AVANTY KAVI
PATAGONIA



KENDALL BEDFORD
PATAGONIA



TIM JACOB
SMALL CREW

