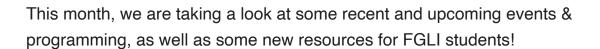
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# **Updates from CSN**

Dear CSN Community:

CSN wishes you a happy start to your summer! 🌞



Scroll down to see what CSN has planned for this Summer, as well as a recap of some of the Spring semester!

## Recap of CSN's End of Year Celebration

CSN was thrilled to celebrate FGLI students on Saturday, May 13th for our End of Year Celebration & EY Awards Ceremony!

Through the generous support of EY, CSN asked FGLI college students to submit a short essay or video about what being first generation means to them, and what they've gotten out of being part of the CSN network.



CSN + EY received a total of 20 incredible applicants across Philadelphia-area colleges, and CSN's virtual Consortium Chapter.

#### Four award recipients were selected:

- Queenie Huang, University of Pennsylvania
- Henry Cao, Villanova University
- Joyce Chen, Temple University
- Faria Sanjida, Temple University

Themes around the power of leadership, community, building connections, and giving back were seen across the applicants' submissions.

The event also featured keynote speaker Simon Wong, Senior Manager of

Business Consulting at EY. Simon spoke about his own personal and professional journey, delivering a message to students and graduates about being open minded about the experiences and opportunities that come their way, investing in relationships and mentorships, and believing in themselves.

Students enjoyed food, networking, and professional headshots, while celebrating the end of the year and our graduating students!

A sincere thank you to Ernst & Young (EY) organization and volunteers for hosting and supporting this event for the second year in a row!

## **CSN's Community Mixer & Reunion!**



Join us for a **CSN Community Mixer & Reunion** - open to all CSN students, alumni, volunteers and sponsors! Network over a dim sum feast on Sunday, June 4th from 2-5 pm!

#### Meet us at:

The Grand Palace Restaurant 600 Washington Ave #3B Philadelphia, PA 19147

All seats for the event are currently filled, but feel free to reach out to info@collectivesuccess.org with any questions about the event or to reserve your spot on the waitlist!

2023 Woman's Way Operational Grant Recipient









CSN is proud to announce that we have received a two-year grant (\$10,000 per year) from the **Women's Way General Operating Fund.** We are grateful to be one of 13 organizations selected to receive a grant this year.

On May 18th, Alice Ginsberg, CSN's Director of Programs, Partnerships and Strategy, attended the Women's Way 45th Annual Celebration and was joined by CSN professional volunteer, Colleen Farrell.

## Advocacy, Belonging, and Careers (ABC) Program

CSN's Advocacy, Belonging, and Careers (ABC) Program is returning for a second time this Summer!

Featuring keynote speaker Elliot Felix!



# Advocacy, Belonging and Careers (ABC) Program

This virtual program is designed to help FGLI students become advocates for themselves and others as they transition from college into the workforce.



#### **JULY 5 - AUGUST 16**

Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00 pm via Zoom

Stay tuned for more details regarding the program & registration!



Our **ABC Program** is designed to help FGLI students become advocates for themselves and others as they transition into the workforce. Following the orientation, the six-session program will once again feature a keynote session from author **Elliott Felix**!

#### The program will meet virtually on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00 pm:

- July 5th: Program Orientation
- July 12: Keynote with Elliot Felix "Designing Your Ideal Workplace"
- July 19: FGLI Young Professionals Panel on the Transition from School to Work
- July 26: Defining the Issues you Care About
- August 1: Engaging in "Crucial Conversations"
- August 9: Giving and Receiving Meaningful Feedback

Stay tuned for more information regarding the program and registration!

# "Meet & Eat with CSN" Recap



Last month, CSN connected with students from our Collegiate Chapters at Drexel University, University of Philadelphia, and Temple University, as well as our Consortium Chapter at the University of Villanova, for lunch near campus!

#### Free Virtual SQL Crash Course @CoRise



**RiseFirst** is also offering a free, beginner-friendly SQL crash course on CoRise!

This 3 week course begins on June 12th, and is a great introduction to SQL. Learning this language will allow you to access and manipulate data and is a critical skill for anyone interested in a career in analytics or data science!

To learn more about the course and apply, visit the link below!

Learn More & Apply!

## **More Than Bootstraps: Graduation Cap Contest**



**RiseFirst** is hosting a free photo contest for FGLI students, where you can submit your decorated graduation cap to win prizes like a Facebook Portal TV and more!

Deadline to submit your entry: June 25th at 11:59 pm EST

Deadline to vote: July 4th at 11:59 pm EST

For more information on how to enter & vote, visit the links below!

**Guidelines for Submitting & Voting** 

**Submit Your Photo & Vote!** 

## **Pay It Forward**

A gift of any amount will help us plan more programs and events, and reach even more deserving Philadelphia area FGLI college students!

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