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Anthony Chiado, Ashburn, VA
James Madison University: Statistics and Religious Studies
Host Family: Roger & Kirsty Fittro
Job Host: Thriving Cities Group
Mentor: Joel Mercado

Anthony double majored in Statistics and Religious Studies at James Madison University. He is inspired by the endless possibilities that data

provides to understand the world and inform effective decision making. He is also fascinated by the insights that religion can offer about a society and its citizens. His studies at JMU culminated in a capstone project in which he partnered with an NGO to research and propose an environmentally friendly program aimed at reducing food insecurity among the rural population of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. In addition to his studies at JMU, he was on the leadership team of InterVarsity, an international student-run fellowship. During his free time he enjoys the outdoors. His favorite activities are photography, running, climbing, and hiking through America's national parks.



Andreas Combos, Cary, NC
Virginia Wesleyan University: Mathematics and Religious Studies
Host Family: Leonid & Vera Volodin
Job Host: Elder Research
Mentor: Will Goodrum

While captaining the NCAA men's varsity tennis team at Virginia Wesleyan, Andreas double majored in Mathematics and Religious Studies. He

is passionate about combining problem solving with his interest in people. Through analyzing data from the National Longitudinal Survey of Youth for his capstone project in statistical modeling, he saw firsthand the power of big data to promote human flourishing. Andreas used his quantitative abilities to serve as a teacher's assistant and a math and physics tutor at Virginia Wesleyan. While studying geopolitical tensions in Israel and Palestine, Andreas developed a passion for creatively building bridges between people from different cultures. He fostered his leadership abilities by mentoring middle school students through Young Life. Andreas loves engaging in deep conversation, digging into good books, and spending days on the lake with his friends and family.



Andrew Coats, Birmingham, AL
Washington & Lee University: Business Administration and Mathematics
Host Family: Dan & Mindy Goodall
Job Host: Turner Enterprises
Mentor: Carlton Dixon

Andrew values creative problem solving and winsome leadership. He is passionate about building teams and helping organizations realize their

growth strategy. As an investment banking analyst at Croft & Bender, he honed his ability to digest complex operating models and industry dynamics, efficiently communicated those concepts to various stakeholders under intense deadlines, and developed a strong attention to detail. He has accumulated experience raising capital across a wide array of industries. As a graduate of Washington & Lee University, Andrew also has extensive experience leading university-sponsored backpacking trips and other outdoor excursions. He studied in Europe and has traveled to South America, the Middle East, and across North America. Andrew is a firm believer that creating a welcoming environment helps others to unlock their potential and thus builds stronger, more effective teams. He enjoys listening to bluegrass music, playing guitar, and discussing films with his friends.



Terryl Cronin, Decatur, GA
Furman University: Neuroscience
Host Family: Graham & Rebecca Scharf
Job Host: MichieHamlett Attorneys
Mentor: Cindy Anderson

A recent graduate of Furman University, Terryl seeks to strengthen everything she comes in contact with, whether it be projects, people, or communities. While in college, Terryl restructured

the university's largest student organization to cultivate sustainable partnerships among students, local small businesses, and nonprofits. As the human resources director of Furman's chapter of Chi Omega, Terryl addressed all member concerns and started a feedback system to implement targeted solutions. While studying neuroscience at Furman, Terryl explored decision making and human interaction. She aims to use her knowledge of cognitive processing to help organizations empower their employees and meet their clients' needs. Terryl has punctuated her life with mutually impactful experiences, such as raising two service dogs, teaching young girls outdoor skills, and studying sustainable food practices in Italy. Believing that learning is a lifelong process, Terryl has just started to play the guitar. She has mastered seven songs and counting.

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Donovan Fiore, *Gilbert, AZ*
Washington & Lee University: Cognitive and Behavioral Science with minor in Entrepreneurship
Host Family: Bobby & Dawn Jenkins
Job Host: Clayborne Education
Mentor: John Flannery

An eager and creative leader, Donovan seeks to combine his understanding of human behavior with a love of entrepreneurship to improve businesses. Equipped with a degree in Cognitive and Behavioral Science, Donovan found that his time at W&L taught him to balance realistic goals with ambitious leadership. At W&L he served as a three-year captain of the varsity track & field team, led Residential Living staff, and assisted individuals with varied cognitive abilities. In the classroom, he honed valuable skills in entrepreneurial marketing, working in simulated ad agencies on campaigns for several multinational companies such as Adobe. Proficient with 11 musical instruments, Donovan has enjoyed seven years of leading group worship. After spending two summers leading international road bike tours, he received a university-sponsored outdoor grant to embark on a solo expedition around Iceland. Donovan believes in the power of late-night conversations, adventures, and shared meals in the outdoors.



Jackie Lamas, *Weyers Cave, VA*
Bridgewater College: Family and Consumer Sciences
Host Family: Tim & Meredith Hay
Job Host: ThriVe Women's Healthcare
Mentor: KC Verbrugge

During her time at Bridgewater College, Jackie developed an affinity for maternal and infant health. She is passionate about finding meaningful solutions to improve the lives of young mothers and their children. Her nurturing personality and strong leadership equipped her to build rapport and gain the trust of the teen mothers she mentored through YoungLives, a nonprofit dedicated to the spiritual and personal flourishing of teen parents. Her aptitude for applying coursework to real-world problems aided Jackie in serving as the project manager for a grant-funded research project at Bridgewater College. As a community health educator at Sentara RMH Medical Center, Jackie served at-risk parents and their babies in developing healthy family dynamics. When not working with families, she enjoys rock climbing and making cold-brew coffee. Upon completing the Fellows program, Jackie plans to pursue graduate studies in social welfare.



Jackson Howell, *Norfolk, VA*
University of Virginia, Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy: Public Policy and History
Host Family: Tim & Ruth Emerick
Job Host: UVA Department of Economics, Professor Ken Elzinga
Mentor: Bob Cochran

Jackson recently graduated from UVA after double majoring in Public Policy and History. His diverse academic and professional experiences have inspired him to pursue a career centered around the relationship between policy making, history, and justice. Working on Capitol Hill as a Congressional intern, Jackson gained a broad range of political and legal experiences collaborating closely with senior leaders and policymakers. He further developed his professional skills during the three years he worked for the UVA football team as a recruiting analyst. After working on staff for multiple summers, Jackson was recently recruited to help Deerfoot Lodge, a wilderness camp in the Adirondacks, open a new location in western North Carolina. He led a comprehensive staff training program and managed day-to-day camp operations. Jackson also loves tennis, skiing, reading, marathon running, and UVA basketball. Upon finishing the Fellows program, he plans to attend law school.



Jodie Lee, *Reston, VA*
University of Virginia, McIntire School of Commerce: Business, concentrations in Information Technology and Marketing
Host Family: Ken & Jen Bilchick
Job Host: Fringe (Richmond, VA)
Mentor: Carole Phillips

Through her experiences in startups, academia, and international settings, Jodie has developed an interest in leveraging data analytics and research to drive business performance and strategic decision making. During her time at the UVA McIntire School of Commerce, she discovered her passion for improving companies' business processes to tell strong, impactful brand stories. She paired her business acumen with her extensive coursework in psychology to solve real-world problems for a variety of companies, including Tabasco and The Juice Laundry in Charlottesville. Having grown up speaking Cantonese at home and visiting Hong Kong, Jodie loves to travel and values multicultural education. She hiked the foothills of the Andes while studying abroad in Argentina, where she optimized operations at a boutique winery. She also learned basic Bambara during a service trip to Mali with her campus fellowship Chi Alpha. In her spare time, Jodie enjoys writing calligraphy, trying new baking recipes, and reading anything written by Malcolm Gladwell.

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Mack Morgan, Berwyn, PA
University of Maryland: Middle School Math and Science Education
Host Family: Rick & Shannon Hall
Job Host: The Regents School
Mentor: Bryan Verbrugge

Mack has a passion for leading adolescents in both academic and athletic settings. A graduate of the University of Maryland with a degree in Middle

School Math and Science Education, he taught eighth-grade math at a local middle school and obtained his teaching certificate. He is equipped to effectively cultivate an environment that fosters student engagement in the classroom. During his summers in college, Mack worked at Summer's Best Two Weeks, a sports and wilderness camp that focuses on both spiritual growth and personal development. While in college, he served on the leadership teams of both Young Life and his fraternity, Phi Sigma Kappa, where he mentored college students and honed strategies for how to lead both children and peers. Mack developed his coaching skills as the captain of his college quidditch team. He aspires to be a middle school principal where he can foster life-changing experiences for students and staff.



Kendra Sanders, Belden, MS
Mississippi State University: Biomedical Engineering
Host Family: Brian & Heather Uthlaut
Job Host: Epiceutical Labs
Mentor: Sarah Hutchinson

Kendra is passionate about human enrichment through biomedical engineering applications. As a competitive runner who aspires to be a lifelong

marathoner, she is interested in researching the biomechanics and muscle behavior behind long distance running. Kendra is an advocate for both the Society of Women Engineers and the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers who enjoys engaging with peers and cultivating active growth in professional development for women within the STEM field. Through a research opportunity in Iceland and Scandinavia, she developed an appreciation for engineering intuition across different cultures. Additionally, Kendra has mentored youth, coordinated educational events, and spearheaded volunteer service and civic leadership efforts through organizations such as Reformed University Fellowship and Forest Springs Camp. Outside of her academic and career interests, Kendra can be found reading, enjoying the outdoors, traveling, and spending time with friends and her six sisters.



Catherine Rogers, Boerne, TX
University of Texas: Corporate Communication and Spanish; Business minor
Host Family: Andy & Carrie Macfarlan
Job Host: University of Virginia Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy
Mentor: Lisa Wood

Catherine graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a double

major in Corporate Communication and Spanish, which gave her a passion for facilitating meaningful connections between people. During college, she developed her leadership abilities by mentoring high school students through Young Life. She also utilized her fluency in Spanish and cultivated a passion for justice by working with incarcerated youth to help them transition into jobs upon re-entering society. In her nonprofit work, she led key strategy-building projects, managed communication across different platforms, and assisted in building community involvement. Catherine has lived in both Spain and China and has traveled extensively across Europe, Asia, South America, and North America in order to engage in cross-cultural experiences. Catherine also loves reading nonfiction, Spikeball, marathon running, and the great state of Texas.



Taylor Schumpert, Chattanooga, TN
Wake Forest University: Philosophy; Entrepreneurship minor
Host Family: John & Anna Gayle
Job Host: ArkWise Wealth
Mentor: Luke Heinsohn

Taylor graduated from Wake Forest University, majoring in Philosophy and minoring in Entrepreneurship.

Developing skills in analytical thinking, communication, and problem solving, he wrote an honors thesis in Ethics and collaborated on projects with local entrepreneurs. Taylor applied his skills professionally at Workday, an industry-leading software company in Palo Alto. As a corporate sales development intern, he worked on the “human side” of Silicon Valley, leveraging technological literacy with interpersonal skills to connect software innovation with clients across various industries. Taylor also worked as a counselor at Alpine summer camp and volunteered for four years at a poverty relief nonprofit. These experiences taught Taylor the necessity of service as a foundation for leadership, as well as the power an organization can have to impact people's lives. In his spare time, Taylor loves to backpack, mountain bike, and fly fish. He is also constantly inspired and motivated by music, books, and film.

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Turner Spottswood, *Point Clear, AL*
Auburn University: Public Relations
Host Family: Ryan & Lucy Ray
Job Host: Resilience Education
Mentor: Sharon Scott

A recent graduate of Auburn University with a degree in Public Relations, Turner finds herself captivated by behind-the-scenes design processes, with experience

carefully executing marketing strategies and thoughtfully curating social-media campaigns. She has worked as a media and marketing intern for both Auburn's Office of Student Affairs and Alabama's leading builder of high performance and energy-efficient homes, where she developed cohesive marketing strategies for multiple stakeholders. Through her experiences living in China and British Columbia, summiting Mount Shasta, and skydiving in New Zealand, Turner has cultivated a strong sense of adventure and deep respect for different cultures. She desires to produce ethical and honest work that enhances the flourishing of those around her. She is quick to laugh, handles projects with sincere optimism, and is known to use puns as much as prepositions.



Charlotte Wallace, *Nashville, TN*
Pepperdine University: Intercultural Communications
Host Family: Dan & April Murrie
Job Host: Elder Research
Mentor: Laurel Bennett

Charlotte graduated from Pepperdine University with a degree in Intercultural Communications. She interned at ABLE, an ethical fashion company,

where she compiled a comprehensive impact report on the implications of sustainable business practices in developing countries. While interning with Advocates for Community Transformation, she mastered and implemented new software to streamline hiring processes and enhance organizational values. Charlotte's desire to use business as a means to positively impact society was recognized by Praxis, a social entrepreneurship think tank, who invited her to participate in their seminar for young entrepreneurs. While at Pepperdine, Charlotte earned a certificate in Social Action and Justice, led a Rwandan water crisis awareness campaign, and studied abroad for a year in Europe. Her interest in diverse populations prompted her recent travels to India, where she researched entrepreneurship and social enterprise in developing regions. In her free time, Charlotte enjoys running, making jewelry, watching documentaries, and surfing.

Ecclesial Youth Fellow



Patrick Thompson, *Chattanooga, TN*
Samford University: Religious Studies
Host Family: Dick & Connie Sylvester
Job Host: Reformed Youth Ministries
Mentor: Kase Luzar

A recent graduate of Samford University, Patrick has developed his leadership abilities while pursuing academic and community engagement. His studies culminated

in an independently researched undergraduate thesis on Birmingham's complex racial history. Patrick has spent multiple summers working as a mentor to high school students where he planned lessons, developed programs, and led a trip to Uganda with dozens of students. While in college, Patrick continued his leadership development through establishing a fellowship group that sought to deepen a sense of community within fraternities and sororities. His extensive travel has shaped his passions for multicultural engagement and empowering under-resourced communities around the world. He spent time in Haiti focusing on fresh water sustainability and took multiple international trips working with various NGOs to provide holistic education and humanitarian aid. Patrick enjoys trying new things, such as backpacking in Peru and training for Ironman races.

Ecclesial Worship Arts Fellow



Kennadi Hawes, *Ephrata, WA*
Hope College: Piano Performance and Worship Leadership
Host Family: Kristin Baltes
Job Host: Trinity Church/ Porter's Gate Music
Mentor: Beth Dixon

As a Classical Piano Performance major at Hope College, Kennadi discovered a deep passion for the

intersection of music and mentorship. While at Hope, she was selected to one of the main student music teams, where she weekly led and performed in front of thousands of students. This leadership role strengthened her confidence in front of large crowds and cultivated her desire to foster collaborative team environments. Tens of thousands of hours spent studying the piano have taught Kennadi the value of diligence and consistent work, equipping her to perform with professional symphonies. Having grown up on a farm in rural Washington, Kennadi aspires to constantly expand her worldview. She has traveled to Haiti and throughout Europe and has toured South Africa with a professional choir. She loves hiking, good coffee, and deep conversations around a campfire.

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Leadership Team

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Dennis Doran, *Director*
Robi Keyes, *Assistant Director (Volunteer)*
Carlton Dixon, *Elder*
Kase Luzar, *Deacon*
Nancy Berry
Gregg Bleam
Kathy Bleam
Rebecca Lee Goodall
Mark Nicholson
Ben Ochs
Lucy Edick Ray
Heather Uthlaut

Elder Advisors

Ken Elzinga, *Elder Emeritus*
Carlton Dixon, *Elder*

Professors/Teaching & Training

Wade Bradshaw, *Pastor for Discipleship*
John Gayle
April Murrie
Dr. Nathan Walton

Spiritual Formation

Lane Cowin
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Founded in 2003, the Trinity Fellows Program is a nine-month (late August through late May) leadership and professional development program for young adults recently out of college or graduate school. Sixteen young men and women (8 men and 8 women) from all walks of life come together to engage in a program designed to help them discern their vocational direction in the marketplace and in all areas of life. The Trinity Fellows work in paid internships in the marketplace, take graduate courses, receive vocational and spiritual mentoring, and serve in the church and local community. Fellows apply their training as they serve in the community, work in a professional career job in the marketplace (e.g., law, business, medicine, academia), and interact with their host family. The Trinity Fellows learn to use their strengths and abilities for the benefit of others. It is a unique and challenging opportunity to explore servant leadership in the workplace, home, church, and society. Learn more about the program at fellows.trinitycville.org.

