

**Class of 2023:** On June 15<sup>th</sup> we hosted a celebration to honor our second cohort of Frazier Scholars graduates. The event was festive as well as a bit emotional for all of us who have connected with these five over the last two years. Program staff, the [East Seattle Partners](#) team, volunteers, fellow students, and UW partners all felt immense pride for everything that the scholars have accomplished—they earned a degree from the UW’s prestigious [Foster School of Business](#) and they are launching their careers with confidence. Further, as a result of participating in our program, these scholars have a new enthusiastic network of professionals looking out for them—professionals who see their talent, believe in their potential, and are deeply committed to their success.



*Congratulations Angelo, Noah, Kenny, Nathaniel, and Jordan!*

**Internships News:** We strive to differentiate our career support by intensely focusing on internships. Having relevant job experience during college is critical to post-graduation success. However, the job market is tightening, especially for marketing and finance majors. A recent piece in [Work Shift](#) by Julia Fisher Freeland reminds us that *“Half of all internships and jobs come through personal connections—connections first-generation students or those from low-income households often don’t have, and often don’t build during college.”* But here is where Frazier Scholars is distinct, and two new internship placements at [Group14 Technologies](#) offer a perfect example of how personal connections have the potential to change career trajectories.

Over the winter, the VP of People and Culture at Group14 reached out to our staff about partnering. She had hosted two of our interns at a different company last summer, and was eager to work with us again, sharing *“I love the mission of Frazier Scholars, and you make the job easy for us by vetting bright, talented interns.”* Fortunately, we had two strong candidates to send their way. After discovering the scholars’ interests and strengths in the interview process, Group14 offered internships to two scholars: one in business development and another in marketing.

Group14 Technologies is a mission-focused rising star in the field of energy and sustainability. They are fine-tuning materials that make lithium-silicon batteries more effective as they support “electrification of everything”. We hope this partnership will inspire other companies to learn about Frazier Scholars and to host interns.

We are excited to report that all scholars seeking summer internships landed positions with fantastic companies: Pugh Capital, BNY Mellon, Costco, EY, Cisco, Group14, Eddie Bauer, Roblox, and KPMG.

*“Group14 understands that hiring Frazier Scholar interns is an investment in our local community, and that our scholars bring energy, creativity, and a fresh perspective to their company. They also appreciate that we streamline the hiring process and that we provide ongoing support to the interns throughout the summer. We are thrilled to be partnering with Group14!”*

Sandy Aslanian  
FS Corporate Liaison



*Trisha Lowe with mentee Hali*

**Going Above and Beyond:** We have 27 professionals enrolled as volunteers, on call to meet with scholars, provide job search coaching, and/or mentor. Over the 2022-23 academic year, Trisha Lowe chose to wear all “volunteer hats.” As a coach, she met with multiple scholars to help them fine tune their resumes, practice interviews, and/or talk through job-search strategies. She also connected scholars with professionals to increase their social capital and improve their industry knowledge. In addition, Trisha co-led a Coffee and Careers workshop, and then just recently she became a mentor. Professionally, Trisha leads data-driven growth initiatives and currently runs her own strategy and analytics consulting firm. Trisha, your talents, energy, and commitment to Frazier Scholars are deeply appreciated!

Thank you for your continued support!

*Sally Haber, Executive Director, East Seattle Foundation*