# Frazier Scholars

EAST SEATTLE FOUNDATION

## **SPRING 2025 PROGRAM UPDATE**

#### **COMPANY CONNECTIONS**

Think back to when you were looking for your first full-time job, and how mysterious the work world was to you--especially if you were the first generation in your family to seek a professional role. Many of our Scholars are eager to engage with professionals and experience real-world work environments, but they don't necessarily know how to make it happen. We deeply appreciate our employer partners who provide them with valuable onsite opportunities.

During the Fall quarter, Frazier Scholars attended interactive events hosted by three of our partners. First, our scholars attended a Brooks Running information session to learn about the exciting opportunities available in their summer "Sprinternships." Then our Frazier Scholars visited Chinook Capital Advisors in



Scholars, alums, Sandy and volunteer Rachel at The Table event

Kirkland to gain insights into the world of middle-market mergers and acquisitions. Co-Founders John O'Dore and Ed Kirk provided an in-depth look at the work their firm does while answering Scholar questions. Finally, we attended an event at the Lodge at St. Edward Park hosted by The Table--a private group for local women business leaders. Following our presentation, the Scholars mingled with attendees, leading to two internships, a new mentor, and additional volunteers eager to work with us. Thank you, Lisa Clarke, for hosting this welcoming and productive gathering!



Daniel getting "tailored"

## THE POWER OF PROFESSIONAL WARDROBING

One perk of being a Frazier Scholar is going shopping for professional clothes. Wearing these new outfits significantly boosts their confidence as they prepare for job fairs, interviews, and events. By guiding them through the process of selecting appropriate attire, Nicole helps them understand the importance of first impressions and how professional clothing can enhance their self-esteem. We focus on choosing versatile, high-quality pieces that reflect their personal style while adhering to professional standards. This hands-on approach not only equips them with the necessary attire but also instills a sense of readiness and assurance, empowering them to present their best selves in any professional setting.



Hali trying on a new outfit

#### WELCOME, INFORMATICS MAJORS!

**2024-25 Frazier Scholars** Sophomores: 2 Juniors: 8 Seniors: 9

### **Majors**

Finance, Marketing, Economics, **Informatics**, Accounting, Entrepreneurship, Information Systems, Operations/Supply Chain Management Over the past three years, the Frazier Scholars program has proudly supported students majoring in economics and various undergraduate business disciplines (see inset). This school year, we are excited to expand our program to include Informatics majors. Informatics focuses on the study, design, and development of information technology to benefit individuals, organizations, and society. It integrates knowledge from computer science, information science, sociology, psychology, design, and information management. This major is particularly valuable for local companies with a technology component. Positions include data analyst, data scientist, information security analyst, cybersecurity specialist, and many more. If you know anyone in the field of informatics who would like to get involved with the Frazier Scholars program, please let us know!

**Scholar Update:** We are excited to share that our recent graduate, Abdul Ali, who was featured in our last newsletter, has joined Catalyst Brands LLC in New York City as a Wholesale Associate Program Manager. In this role, Abdul will be supporting Amazon e-commerce initiatives for renowned brands such as Eddie Bauer, Lucky Brand, Nautica, and Brooks Brothers. This new chapter presents an incredible opportunity for Abdul to pursue his passion for the business of fashion with energy, creativity, and purpose!