



Partner with the YLAI Professional Fellows Program



The Young Leaders of the Americas Initiative (YLAI) Professional Fellows Program is an exchange program that promotes mutual understanding, enhances business development and leadership skills, and builds a lasting and sustainable network of young entrepreneurs and business and social leaders across Latin America, the Caribbean, Canada, and the United States.

ENGAGE WITH ENTREPRENEURIAL LEADERS FROM LATIN AMERICA, THE CARIBBEAN, AND CANADA



280 mid-career entrepreneurs



Innovative, emerging business leaders



From 37 countries across the region



Growing business and leadership skills

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

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HOST OR MENTOR A YOUNG PROFESSIONAL
 Host a fellow who you supervise for a one-month professional fellowship anywhere between January 11 - March 26, 2021. You may also mentor a fellow or a group of fellows to support their leadership growth and business acumen.
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BECOME A COHORT AMBASSADOR
 Foster mutual understanding through cross-cultural activities and hosting meaningful opportunities for Americans and fellows to meet and learn from each other.
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ENGAGE FELLOWS AS A GUEST SPEAKER
 Share your knowledge with fellows by leading an online module in your area of expertise or during other virtual programming opportunities as a featured guest.
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SPONSOR AND ATTEND NETWORKING EVENTS
 Support and engage in our high profile events as a sponsor, contribute expertise to skills building sessions, or speak on a panel. Sponsors receive exposure to 280 fellows and organizations supporting economic development across the region.

Collaboration Grant

- U.S. Businesses that host a fellow qualify to apply for a \$5,000 collaboration grant to continue their work together.
- Successful applications will demonstrate this collaborative history and how the grant would be used to further their partnership to the benefit of the businesses involved. The grant can be used for fellow or host travel or for an entirely virtual collaboration. Flexibility will be granted to recipients who intend to travel and then are unable to due to safety concerns.

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