The Global Scholars Program (GSP) at African Leadership Academy (ALA) offers a unique blend of **leadership experiences**, **entrepreneurial practice**, and **adventure** for teens aged 13-19 from all over the world.

GSP creates a challenging and stimulating environment that enables emerging leaders to learn from each other, global change makers and a team of **international educators**, while discovering the history, beauty and diversity of South Africa.

**1000+ YOUNG LEADERS TRANSFORMED AT GSP SINCE 2011**

**5:1 AVERAGE RATIO OF PARTICIPANTS TO PROGRAM STAFF**
“I thought the GSP Program was an incredible experience overall. Specifically, GSP provided the space to get to know new people while simultaneously learning about yourself, leadership and entrepreneurship. No matter who you are, learning about yourself is crucial, so GSP is a place for everyone.”

-Will (USA)

“I have never been so close to and so at ease with people from such diverse backgrounds. The best aspect in my opinion was the way we bridged the gap between us, working in a large group and then being split into completely random groups, thereby giving us the opportunity to work with different people.”

-Adeoluwatofunmi (Nigeria)

30+ NATIONALITIES REPRESENTED AT GSP
COVID19: RISK MANAGEMENT & PRECAUTIONS

COMMITMENT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY FOR ALL

The Global Scholars Program is committed to program operations in a safe, responsible and sustainable way. The safety of students, staff and local communities remains our highest priority and all program operations will be done carefully and intentionally.
**THOROUGH RISK ASSESSMENTS**

We will assess local case counts and transmission rates, the status of the local community which we plan to visit, as well as our abilities to uphold our stringent safety standards for the duration of the program. The entire group will wear masks at all times when visiting the local community for service or other activities and practice physical distancing.

**GROUP COMMITMENT TO SAFETY**

The overall health of the group is dependent on each person’s commitment to their personal health and well-being before and during the program. All students must be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 to participate in a program and submit a negative Covid-19 test three days before your program. Daily health checks will take place throughout the program to ensure that no one in the group is showing any related symptoms.

**PREVENTIVE PLANNING**

Itineraries will be adjusted to provide students with the safest experience within our control at the time of operation. Programs with traditionally high levels of community interaction may be updated to limit or remove community contact all together. These adjustments will be done to protect both the community and the group. GSP will inform families of the expected itinerary prior to the program start date and as changes necessitate.

**EXTENSIVE STAFF TRAINING**

We have developed extensive Covid-19 Health and Safety Protocols which outlines every element of our pre, during, and post program processes, along with expectations for staff in upholding these standards. All staff will go through a thorough Covid-19 Health and Safety Training prior to programming, and will be heavily supported by our Wellness team while programs are running to ensure compliance.
DISCOVER

LEARN BY DOING.

GSP participants engage in a series of individual and group activities that challenge them to develop a better understanding of themselves. Evaluate your mental models and develop emotional intelligence through activities and reflection.

MAKE REAL CONNECTIONS

GSP creates one of the most diverse and stimulating camp experiences for teenagers. We believe that the future depends on young people making meaningful connections across boundaries of nationality, race, religion & culture.
EXPLORE SOUTH AFRICA

A series of the excursions take participants on adventures to encounter fascinating African wildlife, explore South Africa’s rich history and culture, and enjoy the vibrant city life of modern Johannesburg. And there’s lots of shopping as well! Create treasured memories in this beautiful country.
HUMAN-CENTERED DESIGN THINKING

The GSP curriculum is built around ALA’s signature Entrepreneurial Leadership curriculum, focused on Human-Centred Design Thinking. Participants are taught to understand global challenges and develop context-specific innovative solutions.

DEEPLY EXPERIENCED FACILITATORS

There are three exceptionally qualified group of people who serve as facilitators at GSP: entrepreneurial leadership faculty from ALA, educators from all over the world, and ALA Alumni. Together, they bring decades of experience to the program.

LEARN FROM GLOBAL CHANGEMAKERS

Guest speakers at GSP typically include top corporate leaders, founders of thriving non-profit organizations, young entrepreneurs and activists. With topics ranging from the discovery of purpose to practical problem solving, participants learn from doers.
PROJECTS THAT TEACH CRITICAL THINKING

LEAD

DEVELOP COMMUNICATION SKILLS.
BY CONSULTING TO SOCIAL ENTERPRISES

The culminating activity at GSP is the Ideas Festival - The unique platform through which participants present their final ideas to their community partners. Working in groups, participants recommend implementable solutions to the day-to-day problems faced by youth-led ventures, using ALA’s **BUILD** model for problem solving. **BUILD** is an acronym for **Believe - Understand - Invent - Listen - Deliver**.

For students who live with the fear of public speaking, this is a great platform.

GO BEYOND VOLUNTEERING

Participants at the GSP get the opportunity to practice problem solving by partnering with local organizations and businesses to identify problems, explore root causes and co-create meaningful solutions. Students learn the power of prototyping and failure.
JOIN US NEXT SUMMER!

REGISTER TODAY

Visit our website, watch our videos, download our brochure and find answers to frequently asked questions.

www.alasummer.org

All camps are open to students aged 13-19.

CHOOSE BETWEEN:
GSP Explore: 10 day (Self-leadership focus) or
GSP Engage: 18 Day (Social Entrepreneurship)

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