

A SNEAK PEEK Into our curriculum & programming

This worksheet provides a snapshot of the programming topics and key questions that participants focus on during the Wild Gift Fellowship.

Program Overview

The Wild Gift Fellowship aims to empower individuals to lead authentically, while building and scaling sustainable and impactful businesses or nonprofits. We draw inspiration from the teachings of influential thought leaders such as Jim Collins and Brené Brown, who emphasize the quality of a leader as the most important factor influencing the success of a company. The wilderness setting serves as a deliberate departure from distractions and modern comforts, providing a context that enables deeper connections with oneself, community, and the natural world. The intentional experience in wilderness facilitates personal growth, development, and the embodiment of a more authentic and capable leader.

The Fellowship curriculum focuses on the resiliency and perseverance needed for leading both a venture and successfully navigating a wilderness environment for three weeks. At its core is the opportunity for leaders to attain clarity on their ventures while developing their leadership and outdoor skills.

Curriculum Focus



Personal connection & values

A clear personal narrative behind launching a venture strengthens communications, including in pitching and marketing. An intrinsic connection to a mission also sustains motivation and shapes personal and venture values.



Long term impact

Imagining a long term impact and vision instills creativity and resilience into the venture, which is required for building truly innovative and effective solutions to large scale challenges.



Leadership development

Knowing one's approach to navigating challenges is essential knowledge for staying committed to the work, building a team and culture, and creating an environment of productivity and effective leadership.

Key Questions

Describe your venture's founding story, beginning with your personal motivation. Why is launching or scaling this venture important to you? Why are you motivated to do this work?

Set aside financial and resource limitations for a moment, and articulate the most profound impact you can imagine your venture making. What difference do you really want to make in the world? Use this as an opportunity to dream boldly.

How do you confront challenges? This can be in your personal life and in your leadership decisions. Recall a time when you navigated a challenge extremely well and even if outcome was perhaps not what you expected, the process of overcoming elicited productive growth for you or for your venture. What steps did you take to remain focused and persevere?

What aspects of your leadership style are you most proud of? What areas of your leadership style are you excited to improve upon?



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