

EASL FORUM STUDENT DIRECTORY

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The EASL Forum is an interdisciplinary group of scholars who meet weekly in collaborative 90 minute sessions focused on pressing social issues, leadership development, and community engagement. The Forum consists of 10 to 15 students who learn and serve together over the course of 22 weeks from September to April. The shared journey focuses on four areas: integrity, personal growth, bridge building, and community engagement.

In the spring semester, Forum students will put into action the concepts they developed during the year, working in small groups to plan and deliver a project to enhance the Emory or local community. This project will be hands-on and will address a need or problem and will result in a tangible, sustainable solution. Forum students will present on their projects at our closing celebration at the end of spring semester.

EASL STUDENTS 2025 - 2026

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EASL PEER MENTORS

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KEVIN AN

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I'm Kevin, a sophomore at Emory
University pursuing a Bachelor's
degree in Biophysics and Chemistry
on the pre-medicine track. I have an
interest in photochemistry, the
structural physics of biological
systems, and I aspire to be a trauma
surgeon.





ISABELLA CHOW

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Hello! My name is Isabella Chow, and I am a junior studying Philosophy, Politics and Law on a pre-law track.

Within Emory, I am involved in Student Government, Women in Law, Emory Dance Company, Dance Net, a choreographer and competitive dancer for Emory Ballroom Dance Club, and a RA for a first-year dorm.

ISABELLA CHOW CONT'D

After undergrad and law school, I hope to pursue a legal career in public interest within the realm of criminal justice reform, judicial diversion treatment, or capital defense. I am looking forward to going beyond the Emory bubble and applying principles of ethics and servant leadership to effecting responsible means of community-centered change.



ATTA DOMSON

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Economics

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I am a second year PhD student in the Emory Economics Department. I come from Ghana where I completed my BA in Economics and Mathematics.

My current research interest is in Applied Microeconomics and currently working on how Artificial Intelligence is impacting firm decisions as well as individual decisions. I am inspired by the stories of others on how they have impacted their communities in diverse ways, and I am a strong advocate of creating impact in the lives of others. I joined the EASL forum with the hope of bolstering my knowledge on the concept of leadership and to meet others and hear from them how they have had to navigate issues of leadership. I also joined to get first hand experience on carrying out projects that could create impact in the Georgia community.

ZHAOLIN DU

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Hello! My name is Zhaolin (Lucy) Du, and I'm from China. I'm a first-year SJD



candidate at Emory Law. While studying for my Master of Laws at Emory, I discovered my passion for child law and family law, and that experience inspired me to continue my academic journey. In the future, I hope to help more children and families through both research and practice. I really enjoy living in Atlanta, especially hiking in the spring and fall. Let's work together to make the world a better place.



AVA HAVIDIC

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I'm Ava, a Woodruff Scholar at Emory University from Florida, who has completed thousands of service hours throughout my career. I founded SEAS Connections & served as the inaugural

National Student Board Member Association President in U.S. history, representing over 30 million students. I've helped shape global conversations as a United to Beat Malaria Ambassador, UNICEF USA Youth Representative, and NOAA Ambassador. I am a changemaker in education, environmental, and health policy, passionately dedicated to public service.

ISABEL HORNE

School: Major(s):

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ALLYSON HUH

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Hi! My name is Ally Huh (she/her) and I'm a second-year master's of public health student! I grew up in Pennsylvania (go birds!) and Hawai'i and attended undergrad at Boston College, where I earned a degree in neuroscience and a minor in global public health.

ALLY HUH CONT'D

After graduating I spent time working at the Boston Public Health Commission before coming down to Atlanta. My interests within public health include environmental health, education, violence and injury prevention, mental health, and children's health, and I love doing anything related to art, dancing, nature, yoga, baking, writing, traveling, and trying new things!



NASHRA KHAN

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Hi! I'm Nashra Khan, a first-year student at Emory University passionate about the intersection of medicine, law, and public policy.

I plan to pursue advocate for human rights and equitable healthcare within correctional and immigrant communities. I'm deeply involved in immigration reform efforts, including my work with Behind the Glass, which amplifies the voices of detained immigrants. My current research and thesis explore healthcare conditions in ICE detention centers and the ethical frameworks that shape treatment access and accountability. Through this work, I hope to bridge my interests in medicine, law, and ethics to create more humane systems of care for vulnerable populations.

ANTHONY MENSAH

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My name is Anthony Anderson Mensah, a PhD student at the Laney Graduate School, Emory University. I am with the Graduate Department of Religion (GDR).

I am teacher by profession. I hold a bachelor's degree in religion and Sociology from the University of Ghana, a Post-Graduate Diploma in Education and a Master of Arts Degree (Religion and Human Values) from the University of Cape Coast, and a Master of Theological Studies from Harvard University. I am interested in religious practice and medicine among indigenous communities. In my career as a teacher and in normal life, I seek to understand the ethical decisions of individuals in indigenous communities, and the constraints therein. I am passionate about the medicine and religious practices as an African in order to understand the very decisions made by the ordinary African in relation to healthcare and wellness, while navigating religious spaces. Through EASL, I hope to acquire the necessary leadership skills needed in helping indigenous communities, as a Servant Leader.

HALEY PLUMMER

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Hi! My name is Haley, and I'm a sophomore in the College studying Art History and History with a minor in Global Development Studies, on the pre-law track. Outside of EASL, I'm the secretary of the Belonging and Community Council, an IDEAS Fellow, and a Family Head for the QuestBridge Student Network on campus. I'm passionate about visual culture, sustainable development, and community building, and I hope to pursue a career in cultural heritage law. In my free time, I enjoy cooking and exploring museums!



ODALIS CHAVIRA QUEZADA

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My name is Odalis Chavira Quezada, and I am a sophomore double majoring in Political Science and Sociology at Emory University.

ODALIS CHAVIRA QUEZADA CONT'D

I am very passionate about racial disparities in U.S. politics and a passionate advocate for immigration rights. I am a part of a couple student clubs at Emory, MESA(Mexicans at Emory) and FLIP (First-Gen Low-Income Partnership) advocating for a belonging community. In my free time, I love hiking and listening to a variety of music! I hope to pursue a career as an immigration lawyer, helping many immigrant communities in the United States and continue to remain involved in civic engagement.



EMMA RAMAN

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Year: Sophomore

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Hello! My name is Emma Raman, and I'm a sophomore majoring in Philosophy, Politics, and Law and minoring in Sociology.

This past summer, I interned at the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office in the Family Violence Division, assisting with case research, evidence organization, and court preparation. I am particularly interested in how systems of privilege, identity, and power shape both perception and opportunity.

My experience with March for Our Lives Houston is one that shaped my interest in civic engagement. I worked on youth-led activism surrounding gun violence prevention in one of the most impacted states in the nation.

Outside of academics, I love dancing, video editing, writing poetry, eating food of all cuisines, and being out in nature whenever I can. I'm so excited to be a part of the EASL Forum this year and learn from other people who are interested in leadership, justice, and community.

SHAILA SACHDEV

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Minor

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Hello! My name is Shaila Sachdev, and I'm a senior student at Emory College majoring in Biology with a minor in Predictive Health. I'm passionate about the intersection of medicine, public health, and translational research, and I hope to pursue a career as a physician after college. Much of my involvements on campus has centered on making science literacy more accessible to early-career scientists, and I'm equally passionate about promoting nutrition literacy and health education. During my gap year, I hope to explore new ways to get involved in these areas. In my free time, I enjoy cooking, trying new Thai restaurants around Atlanta, and exploring local coffee shops. I'm thrilled to be working with EASL in my final year at Emory! I hope to continue growing as an ethical leader and refining my approach to leadership.

EASL FORUM MENTOR PROGRAM

The EASL Forum peer mentor program is made up of former EASL participants. Mentors help current EASL Forum students maximize their experiences by helping them process their learnings from weekly meetings and guiding them through the development and delivery of their service project.

As an EASL peer mentor, students...

- Strengthen their individual integrity by serving as a role model for participants and holding each student and other mentors accountable.
- Grow their ability to lead others by building a mentoring framework and managing multiple personalities to ensure a meaningful experience.
- Reflect and evaluate their awareness and responsiveness managing conflict and creating solutions within their mentoring group.
- Develop greater engagement with the program, Center for Ethics, Emory as a whole, and Atlanta by leading the way for participants to fully immerse themselves in their communities.

2025 - 2026 PEER MENTORS

Malina Gadsden Eliana Liporace Kaleigh Tolliver



MALINA GADSDEN

Year: Sophomore

Years Participated in EASL: Two

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My name is Malina Gadsden. I'm from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and I'm a sophomore and QuestBridge Scholar at Emory.

I'm majoring in Psychology (B.S.) with a minor in Ethics and hope to apply to an MD/MPH dual degree program post-graduation. I'm interested in exploring the intersectionality of health, law, and education. I'm a Peer Health Partner (PHP) for the Center for the Study of Human Health, where I lecture and facilitate discussions and activities surrounding a variety of topics in health and wellbeing. I connect students to campus resources and serve as a guide for navigating college life socially, emotionally, professionally, and academically. I also have a strong love for advocacy as I compete for Emory Mock Trial and have lobbied for mental health and firearm-related bills.

ELIANA LIPORACE

Year: Junior

Years Participated in EASL: Three

School(s): Emory College Major(s): Neuroscience &

Behavioral Biology

Minor: Community Building

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As a peer mentor in the EASL Forum, I've been shaped by its core values of integrity, bridge building, and community engagement. Having started as a scholar and later served as a mentor, I've deepened my understanding of servant leadership and ethical advocacy in addressing health disparities. My work with Global Growers Network and my presentation on climate risk strengthened my commitment to examining how climate change impacts health, especially in vulnerable communities. EASL continues to guide my path toward an MD/PhD focused on neurodegenerative disease through the lens of environmental justice and climate resilience. The program's emphasis on ethical leadership and community-based research has grounded my goal of connecting science, policy, and practice to build healthier, more equitable communities.



KALEIGH TOLLIVER

Year: Junior

Years Participated in EASL: Two

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Major(s): Philosophy, Politics, & Law

(PPL) and Psychology

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I am Kaleigh Tolliver, a third-year student at Emory College of Arts & Sciences. I am from a small town in southern West Virginia called Man. Currently, I am pursuing majors in PPL (philosophy, politics, and law) and Psychology. I have been passionate about service since I was a child watching my grandparents serve our community. I am especially passionate about mental health advocacy and social justice because of my background and identity. I plan to pursue a career in law and find ways to advocate for mental health awareness wherever I may end up in the future. For now, I am living at Clairmont Campus and getting involved in organizations like Emory Autism Advocacy Organization and the Voter Registration Committee for the Young Democrats of Emory.

2026 EASL COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Each year, EASL Forum students engage with the community by working on projects with partner organizations during the spring semester. Students will identify the needs of a community partner and build an informed action plan for a project to address that need, with long-term goals for success and sustainability. They will then implement the project, presenting the results and what they learned throughout the process at a year end celebration.

ATLANTA DOWNTOWN

Website: www.atlantadowntown.com

Atlanta Downtown works to create a safe, clean, and vibrant district. By driving economic growth, improving public spaces, and fostering cultural and social engagement, we promote a thriving and inclusive urban environment. Atlanta Downtown is a partnership between Central Atlanta Progress and the Atlanta Downtown Improvement District.

The organization facilitates innovative programs and publicprivate partnerships focused on the economic development, physical environment, and marketing of Downtown Atlanta. The Art & Activation program presents art installations and community events like local vendor markets, yoga classes, and live music to enliven Downtown spaces.

GEORGIA PUBLIC BROADCASTING

Website: www.gpb.org

The mission of Georgia Public Broadcasting (GPB) is to create, produce and distribute high quality programs and services that educate, inform and entertain our audiences and enrich the quality of their lives. In service of this mission, GPB delivers quality Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) and locally produced programming to every county in Georgia via nine public television stations. In addition, GPB is a listener-supported public radio network serving Georgia with NPR news and information along with a variety of music. Moreover, GPB Education is Georgia's digital media content provider for the classroom, offering locally produced, Georgia-specific content and digital streaming services across all subject areas to teachers and students.

The goal of GPB is to remain at the forefront of the digital learning movement by creating, curating, and distributing quality educational programs and services through our state-of-the-art production facility, cutting edge digital media division, and our partnership with PBS LearningMedia. GPB Education also provides training for Georgia's educators and educational institutions.

GIVING KITCHEN

Website: https://givingkitchen.org/

We are a Food Service Community meeting crisis with compassion and care. Our mission is to provide emergency assistance to food service workers through financial support and a network of community resources.

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GIVING KITCHEN CONTINUED...

Born from a personal crisis, Giving Kitchen started as the fight for one life, and is now the fight for thousands of food service workers nationwide. We are building a food service community where each crisis is met with compassion and care.

At Giving Kitchen, we understand the challenges faced by food service workers in times of crisis. Our mission is to provide immediate financial aid and connect individuals with vital community resources. Together, we can create a supportive environment that uplifts those who serve us daily.

REFUGEE WOMEN'S NETWORK

Website: https://refugeewomensnetworkinc.org

Refugee Women's Network inspires and equips refugee and immigrant women to become leaders in their homes, businesses, and communities.

Refugee Women's Network (RWN) is a 501(c)(3) organization serving refugees resettled in the state of Georgia. RWN inspires and equips refugee and immigrant women to become leaders in their homes, businesses, and communities. For more than 20 years, we've continued to be the only organization in Georgia that specifically serves refugee women.

RWN's spectrum of services meets women where they are; whether they've been in the US for three months or thirty years. Whether they need help enrolling their children in school or they're preparing to open their own business, we help women on their journey to become independent and self-sufficient.

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Looking for more ways to get involved?

Check out **bit.ly/easlsummer** to learn more about the EASL Summer Internship Program.

Applications go live February 1, 2025.