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Student leaders from around the world to convene at Pitt for the celebration of the 10th annual Hesselbein Summit

(PITTSBURGH, PA – July 3, 2018) Distinguished student leaders and professional mentors from around the world will convene at the University of Pittsburgh for the celebration of the tenth annual Hesselbein Global Academy for Student Leadership and Civic Engagement Summit from July 20 – 24, 2018. During this intensive, five-day program, Hesselbein delegates will participate in a series of interactive workshops, receive mentorship from government and business leaders, and take part in hands-on problem solving sessions at local community agencies. Over the course of its 10-year history, the Hesselbein Global Academy Network has grown to include 450 alumni, representing 72 countries.

Since 1990, Frances Hesselbein has been at the helm of an organization in New York City that bears her name and shares the best thinking on leadership and management with partners in the social, public, and private sectors. From 1976-1990, Hesselbein served as CEO of the Girls Scouts of the USA, and was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the United States of America's highest civilian honor, in 1998, for her role as a "pioneer for women, diversity, and inclusion." Hesselbein, who attended the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, is a distinguished author and member of several nonprofit and corporate boards. She also serves as editor-in-chief of the award-winning journal, *Leader to Leader*.

This year's Summit is special in that delegates will be joined by over 50 Hesselbein alumni in honor of the Summit's tenth-year anniversary. This milestone will be commemorated with a 10-Year Celebration Dinner on Friday, July 20. Additionally, alumni will serve as featured guest speakers on Saturday, July 21 and Sunday, July 22 to share their knowledge and leadership skills with delegates. The Summit will culminate with the Hesselbein Lecture and Ceremony on Monday, July 23, 2018 at 4 p.m. in the O'Hara Student Center.

During the Summit, delegates will engage in an elevated level of leadership training by working closely with accomplished professionals, serving as mentors—including Randy Fulhart, retired Major General in the U.S. Air Force who has served as a mentor each of the past ten years.

"It has been a privilege to serve as a Hesselbein Mentor since the inception of the program," said Fulhart. "To have the opportunity to meet and fly alongside some of the most amazing young people from the United States and around the world, gives us all hope for the future. The greatest responsibility of a leader is to raise up other leaders. Doing that with—and for—Frances Hesselbein is the honor of a lifetime."

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