



GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SERIES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY **2023**

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JAMES T. MORRIS

Vice Chairman, Pacers Sports & Entertainment



James T. Morris is a recognized local, national, and global leader in the corporate, civic, and non-profit sectors. Among his many roles, is a long-serving International Center board member and an active emeritus board member. James serving as the namesake of this leadership series, his life and career embody international leadership through his application of a global mindset and cultural intelligence across roles that have spanned government, business, and humanitarian positions. Jim remained actively engaged in the eponymous series as a speaker and role model in 2023.

In its fourth year of running, the James T. Morris leadership series continues to be unique in Indiana. The series equips professionals with hands on experience and knowledge of international commerce and intercultural communication to better prepare our state's leaders for a global marketplace.

Course Overview

The Cohort

The Morris Series convenes a cohort of up to 20 emerging Indiana leaders, examining intercultural competency and global leadership skills across business, government, and philanthropic sectors.

Timeline

The series takes place in person over five months from August to December, hosted by organizations with key roles in Indiana's global landscape.

Features

Time for networking with speakers, hosts, and special guests is built into the curriculum along with panel discussions, facilitated dialogue, and collaborative activities.



SERIES SCHEDULE

- After orientation, subsequent sessions last between seven-to-eight hours and open with an optional 30-minute networking coffee, which includes an International Center staff member host. This well attended component gives cohort members a chance to visit informally.
- Thirty- to 60-minute breaks and lunch are included throughout the day.



"It has been an honor being part of this year's cohort. Morris Series has awarded me with opportunities to meet and build relationships with professionals in similar career paths and with similar goals. Morris Series and the incredible guest speakers have helped prepare me for greater responsibilities, boost my confidence, and have helped me become more creative in tackling new challenges. Morris Series has provided a safe space where I can share my ideas and perspectives."

Mistie Rivas, Immigrant Welcome Center (2023 Alumna)

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

The five sessions focus on the following learning objectives:



Session 1

Cultural
Competencies



Session 2

Government
as a Global
Partner



Session 3

Global
Philanthropy



Session 4

Global
Business



Session 5

Global
Leadership



SITE VISITS

The following sites hosted sessions:



Indianapolis
Public Library
(Central)



Eli Lilly and
Company



The
International
Center



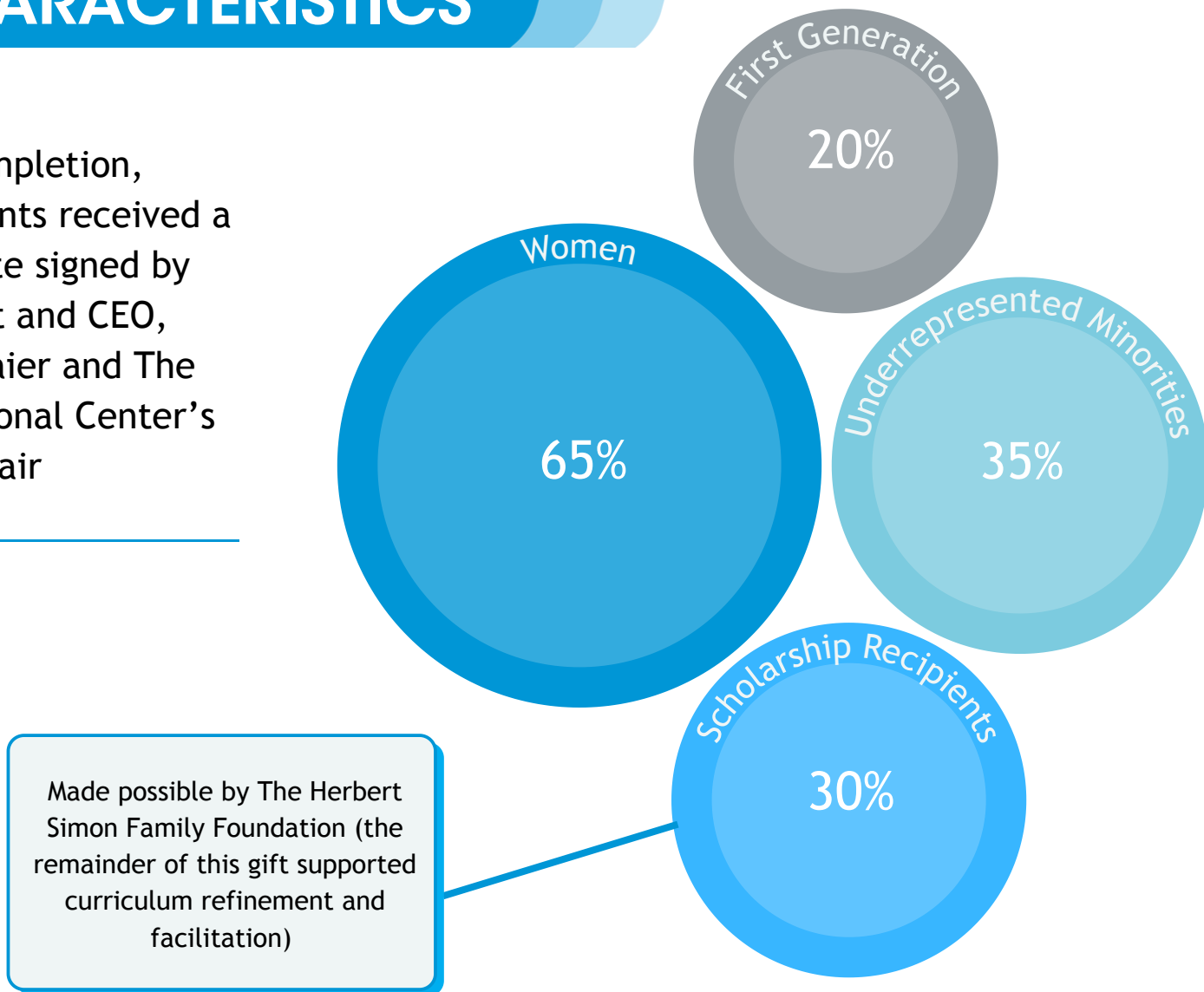
The Indiana
Statehouse



Indianapolis
International
Airport

2023 COHORT CHARACTERISTICS

Upon completion, participants received a certificate signed by President and CEO, Martin Baier and The International Center's Board Chair



Sectors Represented:



2023 MORRIS SERIES SPEAKERS



JAMES T. MORRIS

Vice Chairman, Pacers Sports and Entertainment



MARTIN BAIER

President and CEO, The International Center



NOEL S. PAUL

Executive Facilitator, James T. Morris Global Leadership Series



GREG BALLARD

48th Mayor of Indianapolis.



NEELAY BHATT

PROS Consulting Inc.



DR. NICHOLAS CHEMALI

Eli Lilly



MAGGIE CUNNINGHAM

Indianapolis Airport Authority



TISHA GALARCE

Indianapolis Public Library



GURINDER KAUR

Immigrant Welcome Center



MONICA BOWLES KOZLOWSKI

Office of U.S. Senator Todd Young



DR. KIM LACOMBE

St. Mary-of-the-Woods College



ADILET-SULTAN MEIMANALIEV

Eli Lilly



LUCAS MONTARCE

Eli Lilly



BRITTANY OCUBILLO

Eli Lilly



MARKUS SABA

UNC Kenan-Flagler



DR. JANE SIEGLER

Butler University



JILLIAN TURNER

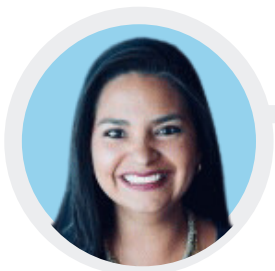
Indiana Economic Development Corporation



MARSHA WURSTER

Indianapolis Airport Authority

WHAT COHORT MEMBERS ARE SAYING



"I really appreciate the opportunity to be part of the James T. Morris Leadership Series. This has been one of the best programs I've done. Not only the topics we learned about in each session but the relationships I've formed, friendships, and camaraderie are invaluable. Noel is a fantastic speaker who challenges us to think outside the box. I have a more extensive understanding of the importance and impact of diversity in the business world. I love this program and will recommend it 100%."

Manuela Salazar, Marian University (2023 Alumna)



"The Morris Series has had a positive impact on my career by enhancing my ability to assess the economic and cultural landscape of our regional community, as well as its connections to various regions and nations worldwide. This improved assessment provides me with a strategic advantage in understanding how our region can position itself to attract future investments. These investments, in turn, have the potential to benefit not only current residents and businesses but also contribute to the growth and prosperity of future residents and businesses within our community."

Marlon Webb, Indy Chamber (2022 Alumnus)