

Executive Director Letter - December 2022



Extraordinary things happen when thoughtful, creative, and hardworking people come together to realize a common mission.

It's been a wonderful year of growth for think2perform Research Institute.

This month marks the conclusion of Christianne Corbet's research fellowship dedicated to advancing our understanding of how leaders can build an inclusive workplace in the tech industry. We wish Christianne every success as she completes her PhD in sociology at Stanford University and begins her next chapter as researcher, scholar and practitioner.

When a research fellowship concludes, our fellows remain a member of our t2pRI community. An important goal for the coming year is to strengthen our community of fellows and to support fellows past and present in achieving their goals. And we look forward to highlighting the research of Dr. Priyanka Joshi, our newest fellow, and to welcoming new fellows in the year ahead.

A short 12 months ago, in January 2022, Ryan Goulart and LaCresia King Lennick led our first Leadership Workshop session with our wonderful Future Leaders Academy members. For each of the past five months you've met Future Leaders and their Mentors, and learned about the incredible synergy they've developed as mentorship teams.

This month we feature Future Leader Gabe Schmidt who within these 12 months has transitioned from high school swim team captain (and great student) to first-year engineering student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Gabe's mentor, Don MacPherson, developed the foundational idea for the Future Leaders Academy during his tenure as interim Executive Director. It's fitting that we feature the proud mentoring relationship Don and Gabe have developed as this exciting year draws to a close.

Thank you for your support of t2pRI's important work.

Best wishes to you and your family for a joyful holiday season.

- Brian Hammer, PhD, Executive Director

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