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GLI High School Leadership Program 2025

Participants on this program will engage in critical dialogue about regional international development efforts and participate in a global youth summit with their East African peers. Students will connect with organizations and individuals working in various sectors to examine the impact of development on urban and rural communities in Uganda and Rwanda. Participants explore poverty alleviation, agriculture, public health, and conservation to understand best practices in international community development. Across these issues, we will explore themes such as "white savior complex", "decolonizing development", and power dynamics associated with NGO work in the Global South.

In Kigali, students will convene for a Global Youth Summit where they will be joined by other GLI high school groups and East African secondary school students. During the summit, they will hear from renowned leaders, guest speakers, and engage in culture sharing activities with their peers.

DAY 1
Depart the U.S.

DAY 2
Entebbe to Kampala, Uganda
- Arrive at Entebbe Int'l Airport (EBB)
- Transfer to Kampala, Uganda *(~1 hour by bus)*
- Check-in at Guest House
- Dinner (Depending on Time of Arrival)
- Program orientation with GLI staff

Accommodations: Kampala Guest House

DAY 3
Kampala, Uganda
- Breakfast at the Guest House *(light continental)*
- Introduction and Orientation
- Visit Makerere University
- Lunch at a Local Restaurant
- Tour Uganda's National Mosque
- Explore Kampala City
- Group Reflection and Dinner

Accommodations: Kampala Guest House

DAY 4
Kampala, Uganda
- Breakfast at the Guest House *(light continental)*
- Visit Thread of Life
- Visit to Reach a Hand Uganda
- Lunch in Town
- Visit to US Embassy in Kampala
- Afternoon to Reflect
- Group Reflection and Dinner

Accommodations: Kampala Guest House

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DAY 5

Kampala, Uganda to Lake Mburo, Uganda

- Breakfast at Guest House
- Early Morning Transfer to Lake Mburo
- Stop at Equator for Pictures and Food
- Check into Lodge
- Dinner at Lodge

Accommodations: Hyena Hill Lodge

DAY 6

Lake Mburo, Uganda to Kabale, Uganda

- Breakfast at Lodge
- Morning Game Drive
- Transfer to Kabale, Uganda
- Boat Transfer to Entusi
- Welcome Dinner at Entusi

Accommodation: Entusi Resort & Retreat Center

DAY 7

Lake Bunyonyi, Uganda

- Breakfast at Entusi
- Rural Development and Agriculture
- Local Thought Leaders' engagement in agriculture and food security
- Lunch at Entusi
- Optional Activities:
    - Visit GLI's Model Farm
- Dinner at Entusi

Accommodation: Entusi Resort & Retreat Center

DAY 8

Lake Bunyonyi, Uganda

- Breakfast at Entusi
- GLI Community Programs
- Participate in GLI's community programs
- Optional Afternoon Activities:
    - Visit to Traditional Healer
    - Canoeing, Hiking, Swimming
    - Volleyball
    - Visit GLI's Model Farm
    - Visit the Local Basketball Court
- Dinner at Entusi

Accommodations: Entusi Resort & Retreat Center

DAY 9

Lake Bunyonyi to Musanze, Rwanda

- Breakfast at Entusi
- Morning Transfer to Musanze, Rwanda
- Border Crossing at Cyanika
- Check into accommodations
- Explore the neighboring communities around.
- Evening: Group dinner and briefing on the following day's activities.

Accommodations: African Rising Cycling Centre

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DAY 10
Musanze, Rwanda
- Breakfast at Hotel
- Day of Activities Partners of Conservation
- Visit local communities involved in conservation-related tourism
- Ellen DeGeneres Campus of Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund
- Group reflection and discussion on conservation as a development strategy.

Accommodations: African Rising Cycling Centre

DAY 11
Musanze, Rwanda to Kigali, Rwanda
- Breakfast at Hotel
- Transfer to Kigali, Rwanda
- Visit Kigali Genocide Museum
- Check into Accommodations
- *Youth Summit Programming*

Accommodations: Zaria Court

DAY 12
Kigali, Rwanda
- Breakfast at Hotel
- *Youth Summit Programming*
- Dinner in Kigali

Accommodations: Zaria Court

DAY 13
Kigali, Rwanda
- Breakfast at Hotel
- Youth Summit Programming
- Final Group Dinner in Kigali

Accommodations: Zaria Court

DAY 14
- Breakfast at Hotel
- Final Activities in Kigali
    - Site Visits to Local Organizations
    - Craft Market
- Depart for U.S.

Accommodations: n/a

DAY 15
Arrive back in U.S.