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ANNOUNCING THE MATTHEW ISAKOWITZ FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM CLASS OF 2019

Twenty-Five College and Graduate Students Chosen for Highly-Selective Fellowship Program Inspiring Future Commercial Spaceflight Leaders

The Matthew Isakowitz Fellowship Program—a summer internship and executive mentorship program inspiring the next generation of commercial spaceflight leaders—announces the 25 individuals selected for its 2019 class. Now in its second year, this highly-selective program awards exceptional college juniors, seniors, and graduate students pursuing aerospace careers with paid internships at cutting-edge commercial space companies around the nation. Fellows also receive a full year of one-on-one mentorship from accomplished members of the space community, including astronauts, engineers, entrepreneurs, executives, investors, and others. The program culminates in a memorable two-day summit during which the Fellows will network with top leaders in the industry, visit space start-ups, and develop entrepreneurial skills.

For the 2019 class, the program received more than 100 applications from 60 colleges in 24 states. From that list, program coordinators rigorously screened the applicants for academic excellence, relevant experience, and, most importantly, a demonstrated passion for innovation, entrepreneurship, and commercial space. Upon completing the summer internship, the Fellows will remain among an elite group of alumni who will have the opportunity to continue to network with this Program, assigned mentors, and past and future Fellows, on the path to becoming future space icons.

See below for the **Matthew Isakowitz Fellowship Program's Class of 2019**, including each Fellow's current school and Summer 2019 host company. More information is available <u>online</u>.

- Nina Arcot (Princeton University) Accion Systems
- Parker Buntin (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) Virgin Orbit
- Manwei Chan (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) NanoRacks
- Konark Chopra (Virginia Tech) SpinLaunch
- Lilly Clark (University of Southern California) The Aerospace Corporation
- Cameron Flannery (University of California, Los Angeles) Astranis
- Andrew Gatherer (Stanford University) Planet
- Nakul Gupta (University of California, Los Angeles) Lockheed Martin Ventures
- Shravan Hariharan (Georgia Institute of Technology) SpinLaunch
- Joshua Ingersoll (Georgia Institute of Technology) OneWeb Satellites
- Emily Jewell (Stanford University) Blue Origin

- Lewis Jones (California Institute of Technology) Millennium Space Systems
- Gary Li (University of California, Los Angeles) The Aerospace Corporation
- Kai Marshland (Stanford University) LTA
- Patrick Miga (Georgia Institute of Technology) Roccor
- Maya Naphade (Princeton University) Virgin Galactic
- Richard Nederlander (Vanderbilt University) XPRIZE
- Charlie Nitschelm (University of New Hampshire) Rocket Lab
- Sahaj Patel (Georgia Institute of Technology) Accion Systems
- Aaron Pickard (Columbia University) OneWeb LLC
- Annika Rollock (University of Colorado, Boulder) Blue Origin
- Anjali Roychowdhury (Stanford University) SpaceX
- Madeline Vorenkamp (Princeton University) Stealth Space
- Daniel Zanko (Johns Hopkins University) The Spaceship Company
- Jayden Zundel (Stanford University) OneWeb Satellites

Additionally, the Matthew Isakowitz Fellowship Program's inaugural class of 2018 is continuing to excel in their academic and professional careers as they network with one another and their mentors, receive job offers from host companies, and further their academic pursuits. The list of 2018 Fellows is available online.

The Matthew Isakowitz Fellowship Program thanks its host companies, mentors, and partners: Brooke Owens Fellowship Program, The Future Space Leaders Foundation, and the Commercial Spaceflight Federation.

ABOUT THE MATTHEW ISAKOWITZ FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Matthew Isakowitz Fellowship Program is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization honoring the memory of an engineer, entrepreneur, and extraordinary individual whose passion for commercial space exploration led to great strides in the industry and inspired all who knew him. The Program seeks to instill that same enthusiasm into the next generation of commercial spaceflight leaders by providing impactful career training to those who embody Matthew's drive for exploring our universe to help better humankind. Ad Astra.

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