

Testimonials from 2018 Journalism Fellows

This experience was one that defied easy categorization—it was challenging in ways I needed and thought-provoking at every turn. I felt most enriched by the conversations around our contemporary ethical challenges—issues I felt I had been struggling with alone until I spent time with the FASPE community.

Anne Branigin, FASPE Journalism Fellow 2018

Participating in FASPE was absolutely worthwhile and life-changing. Throughout the program, I kept thinking about just how little I learned about the Holocaust in school. The fact that FASPE focuses on the professionals turned perpetrators and bystanders really turned the mirror on me and how I view my responsibility as a journalist today. It gave me the time and space to think about the ethical issues outside of the crisis mode in a newsroom and helped me to evaluate where I stand in challenging circumstances. This was such an important experience to me as a young professional.

Jordyn Holman, FASPE Journalism Fellow 2018

I can honestly say, without hyperbole, that my FASPE experience was two of the best weeks of my life. Spending time in and around historical sites of atrocity, resistance and destruction has added a new layer to my comprehension of the Holocaust and the devastation wrought by the perpetrators. In addition, I can't speak highly enough of the benefits of sharing this journey with such an inspiring group of future business, legal and journalistic leaders. The interdisciplinary structure of the course has enriched my understanding of the interwoven realities of ethical decision-making. All of this was led expertly by our dedicated, professional and talented course leaders. Thoughtfully and rigorously organized, delivered with care and panache, FASPE was, quite simply, amazing!

Laurence Ivil, FASPE Journalism Fellow 2018

I took several things away from FASPE; among them, a new network of incredible people who value ethics in their personal and professional lives and an enhanced framework of thinking about ethics as I move forward in my career. I don't doubt that, over the years, I will often look back on the conversations I had with the other Fellows and reach out to them as situations arise.

Erin Stone, FASPE Journalism Fellow 2018