

You're invited to be a part of something

extraordinary.

Global Social Impact
House

Sponsored by



Community

Connection

Intentionality



Take your social impact leadership to the next level.

We're looking for leaders who are making a big impact in the world and want to join a global community. Join the Global Social Impact House (GSIH), a world class educational and community program that brings together purpose-driven leaders for a week of learning, collaboration, reflection, and rejuvenation.

The Center for Social Impact Strategy (CSIS) at the University of Pennsylvania invests in ideas, people, and community. Our Impact Houses have brought together over 750 changemakers from around the world working to make a greater impact. GSIH is a tailored program geared for entrepreneurs, intrapreneurs, community alchemists, and innovators from all corners of the world.

We look forward to having you join us!



Professor Peter Frumkin



Peter Frumkin, PhD
Founder & Faculty Director
Center for Social Impact Strategy
University of Pennsylvania



IMMERSE YOURSELF IN COMMUNITY

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Collaborate with people
you can learn from.

Pablo Picasso



Community First





Social
Entrepreneur

Innovator

Community
Alchemist

Intrapreneur

BRINGING TOGETHER THE BEST & BRIGHTEST

We are looking for 20 of the most daring, diverse individuals passionate about making a difference in the world and who are actively working on an innovative idea. Collective impact and community building is paramount to your work.

Who



BY THE NUMBERS



14

Learn 14+ tools taught by CSIS faculty and your peers on entrepreneurship, design, and leadership.

20

Be one of 20 fellows chosen to build deep connections over long dinners, brainstorming exercises, and midnight bonfires.

7

Enjoy 7 days of digital detox, immersed in nature. Reflect, meditate, do yoga. Relax.

750

Join a powerful community of 750+ Impact House alumni working to make positive change around the world.

By the Numbers



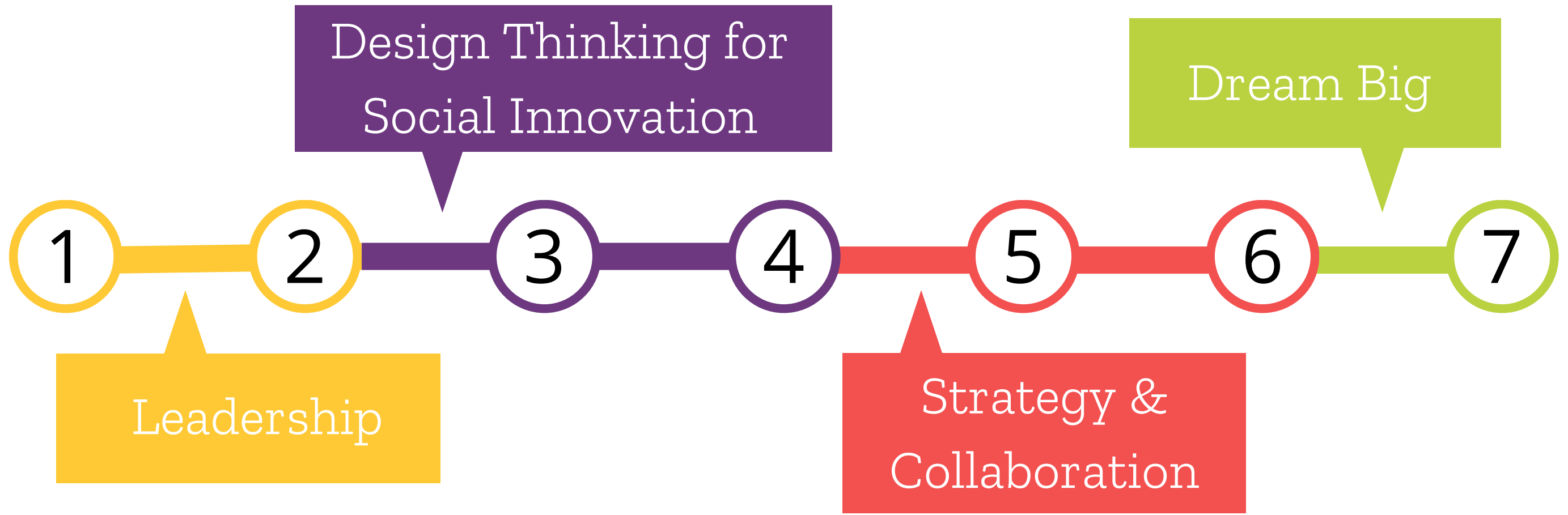
Where?

- ✓ Live at Macaw Lodge near Carara, Costa Rica.
- ✓ Sleep, play, and learn in an eco-retreat, next to a forest, river, and waterfall.
- ✓ Recharge in nature with healthy, home-cooked meals.
- ✓ Learn about the history, culture, and geography of Costa Rica.





7 DAYS OF
IMMERSIVE
LEARNING



From our Alumni

“ GSIH was the highlight of my year. It was an incredible and indispensable opportunity to dissect our business model and discover how we can scale our impact. Above all, the community at GSIH is its biggest asset. Meeting and learning from so many brilliant folks in my cohort, some of whom I remain close friends with today, has been such a gift.

Sara Berkai
Founder, Ambessa





“ GSIH and the incredible facilitators running it understand on a very deep level that the social entrepreneurial path is full of purpose but also challenge and the need for realignment. GSIH taught me the strategic value of rest and reflection, and that our impact can be amplified through radical recharge. It was incredible to meet such a diverse global community of changemakers, that went from complete strangers to feeling like a close-knit family within hours of meeting for the first time—united by our values and hope for a better world. Besides making lifelong friends and collaborators, it was wonderful for me to intentionally step into the role of learner and observer again, to see how others approached the work of systems-change and social innovation education, and to be forever imprinted with a sense of serenity and inspiration to the soundtrack of a jungle that I often tap into as my journey continues.

Sebastián Martín
CEO & Founder
Cambio Labs

From our Alumni



ARE YOU READY TO APPLY?

Maybe, but I need to know more.



Tuition is on us. Yep, it's free.

All Fellows receive a full scholarship to attend the event that covers the cost of lodging, food, local transportation, and program fees. Fellows are responsible for the cost of travel to-and-from San José, Costa Rica, and any visa-related costs.

No, but I might know someone who would.



Nominate someone.

We're looking for applicants from all industries. Click [here](#) to nominate someone from your network that might be a good fit.



Apply by March 25, 2026

Program Dates: September 12-18th, 2026.



Questions? Let's talk.

Email us at admissions@csis.upenn.edu

Please include "GSIH" in the subject line.

Yes, I'm ready to apply!



Let's do this.

The application takes only about 30 minutes to complete.

[APPLY NOW](#)

Details

