

Fair Opportunity Project spotlight video

Transcript

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Oluwatoyosi Fowowe:

Being first generation, I was really confused. I didn't even know how to go about completing my combat application.

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Shani Fernando:

So I have like no help at all. I don't have a counselor. I don't even know what can I do to the counselor? As I don't have a counselor.

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Brandon Wu:

I think the biggest barrier to attending a really solid university for a lot of communities here, that they don't get enough financial aid.

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Cole Scanlon:

The average student counselor ratio, in US public high schools that's a ton of students that aren't getting that support and a ton of counselors that are just completely overwhelmed.

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Luke Heine:

They can't attend to everyone's needs.

And so what we try to do is step in and be an advocate for both counselors and students and parents. So Luke and I both identified a similar problem just from very different angles. And then we were like, Wow, it shouldn't be this way, and let's try to do something about this. So the Mission of Fair Opportunity Project is to ensure that all students across the country, across the world get a fair

shot at applying to college, and importantly, that they can also afford it.

At Fair Opportunity Project.

All of our resources are free, from the guide to the mentorship hours, office hours to the essay writing always for free. It's been downloaded half a million times. The team has grown to include 100 volunteer mentors.

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Oluwatoyosi Fowowe:

Without my mentor, I don't think I'll be able to do and am today and after. I like as much acceptances and surprises as I did.

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Brandon Wu:

Ending up where I am today would have been probably a lot more difficult had I not had a mentor.

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Luke Heine:

I think being a Purple Paladin and also just working with Grant Thornton is amazing because one, it gets us great exposure to really bring people will make people aware of fair off and also include them if they want to be part of this journey.

What we're really trying to do and cheap for off to be is one of those organizations that really changes education in the in the US. It's a big problem and needs all hands. We wouldn't be in the space if we didn't think we could make a difference. And more importantly, if we could involve the people who also can do that and do it together.



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