Inspiring students to do more
Our Mission

By connecting students around the world, we are unleashing potential and creating a unique research environment to foster new and innovative ideas.
Who We Are

A wholesome and inclusive nonprofit of over 2,000 students across 20+ countries.

Note: this is the map for contributors from just one of our ten initiatives, CVT
How We Do It

We seek to inspire and connect student innovators with the best of the best through the following core parts to our organization:

1. **Conversations**
   We engage students to help them find a community, purpose, and greater awareness of social issues with their global peers. We continuously look for partners and solutions for them.

2. **Research**
   We focus on making research more equitable and accessible for students by providing them with opportunities to conduct independent research with Harvard and intercollegiate organizations and faculty.

3. **Competition**
   We provide structure, passionate students in our network, and a collection of resources for students to pursue ideas, projects, or independent research studies that are judged competitively.
Our Initiatives

Partners

20+ Harvard Organizations, including
- Center for Geographic Analysis
- Data Science Initiative
- Innovation Labs
- Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics

20+ Non-profits, including
- American Academy of Arts and Sciences
- Mass General Hospital (S&SI)
- SimplyNeuroscience
- FairVote
- International Public Policy Association

Governmental Institutions, like
-- the WHO
- Census Open Innovation Labs
- Consulate General of Canada in Boston
200+ active members across various projects
- Coordinated the donation of 350k+ articles of PPE through SupplyCrate
- Featured on NBC29 on our EPA Fact-Checking project
- Created visualizations to inform NYC Borough Presidents and helped coordinate $600k in PPE donations
- Presented research to government leaders from the United Nations, European Union, and African Union
• **1k+ members** learning more about data visualizations
• Built a data visualization learning course with **over 300 hundred students**
• Hosted over 500 minutes of recorded content on **data visualization** from student leaders and experts
• **Incubated** various small projects in coordination with JOGL (Just One Giant Lab)
• Students completed literature views and presentations
Panel to the People

- Regularly host speaker sessions
- Previous featured speakers:
  - Grant Sanderson, mathematics content creator with over 100 million views
  - Avi Schiffmann, informed over 1.5 billion people with COVID-19 statistics
  - Dr. Francesca Dominici, ranked in the top 1% of cited scientists in her field and covered by CNN, BBC, NPR, and the New York Times
• **700+ attendees** at our first event and **$20,000** in prizes
• Solutions engineered based on economic, political, sociocultural, and environmental issues
• Partnered with organizations such as Google Cloud, Discord, and Hack+
• Sponsored by **10+ different organizations**
• Currently focused on starting a **seed fund** to support winning hackathon projects down the line
Works In-progress

Intercollegiate Discord

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Our Value

We seek to make an impact through student-led innovation. Our value lies within the success we have in helping students transition their ideation and implementing it into real-world impactful solutions (i.e data visualizations, research briefs, policy proposals, etc.).
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• We have openings!!