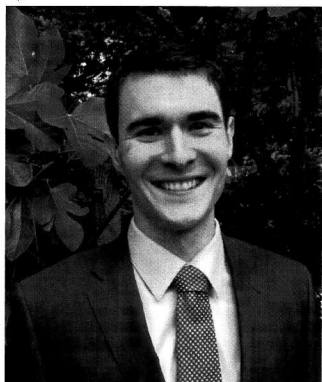


Nicholas Drushella

USA



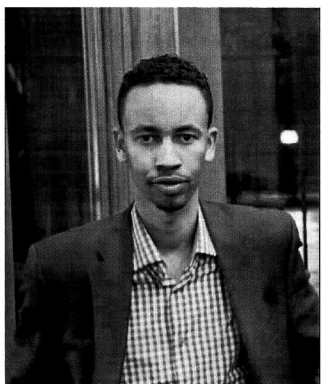
Nicholas Drushella was born in the USA and graduated from the University of Oregon in 2012 with a Bachelors degree in International Studies and a concentration in Journalism. His minors included Spanish and Business Administration. His multidisciplinary education and volunteer work led him to pursue a career in conflict prevention through expanding educational opportunity in vulnerable communities.

Since 2013, Nicholas has worked as the International Development Manager for Imagine Scholar, a youth leadership program in Nkomazi, South Africa. In this role, he has served as a mentor and fundraiser. Additionally, he has placed an emphasis on connecting students with experiential learning opportunities and advocating for more equitable resource dispersion in rural communities. He became heavily involved with Rotary and spoke at over 50 clubs about engaging youth in proactive peace processes.

He is passionate about social justice and intercultural cooperation and communication. He plans to utilize the Rotary Peace Fellowship and the worldwide Rotary network to more effectively empower local agents and create change at the community level.

Guled Ibrahim

Somalia/USA



Guled Ibrahim is a Somali-American who came to the US as a teenager about a decade ago. He is an energetic and self-motivated young man who has distinguished himself as an exemplary leader among his peers. In just seven years, he earned a Bachelor of Arts in journalism and political science from the University of Minnesota; a Juris Doctor (JD) from Mitchell Hamline Law School; and an International MBA from BPP Business School in London. He also earned a Conflict Resolution Certificate along with his JD.

Prior to receiving the Rotary Peace Fellowship, Guled was a Benjamin B. Ferencz Fellow in Human Rights and Law with World Without Genocide.

He also sat on the board of directors for the United Nations Associations of Minnesota. In 2015, he was selected to participate in the International Criminal Court's Assembly of States Conference in The Hague as a delegate. In 2016, he was chosen to participate in the

One Young World Summit in Ottawa, Canada as a delegate to represent Somalia and USA.

Guled's dream is to help others through public service and to be involved in global conflict resolution. He hopes to combine his legal education and Rotary Peace Fellowship to get involved with peace and conflict resolution efforts in Africa and become a mediator without a border. The need for passionate peace builders has never been greater. Diplomacy, peacebuilding, and respect for the rule of law are three areas in which he wants to be involved in the coming years.

Guled is an avid reader of international affairs, passionate advocate for world peace and humanitarian causes, and travel aficionado who has travelled to over twenty countries in Africa, Europe, and North America. He says "if the human mind can conceive and believe, human ingenuity can achieve."