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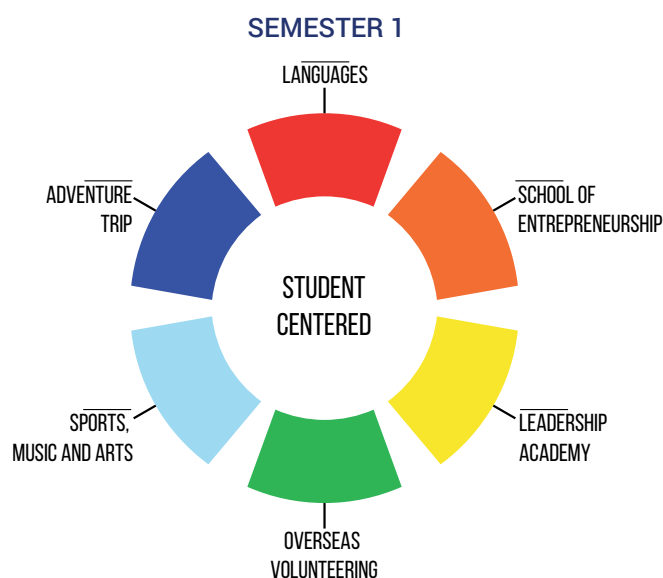
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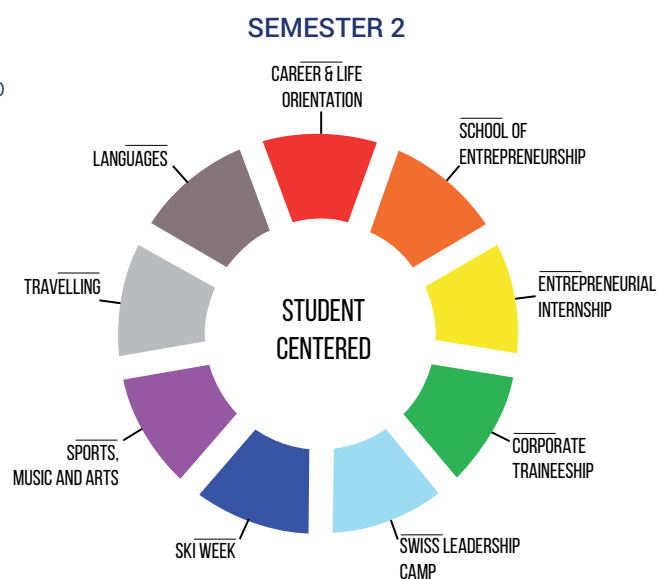
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SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE IN TODAY'S WORLD ARE **DRIVEN, PASSIONATE AND CREATIVE.**



At Collège du Léman, we have worked very hard to design a **gap year** programme that will help you achieve your **dreams** and take the **future** into your hands.

Every young person has dreamed, even if for a fleeting moment, of **changing the world** and **be somebody**. Now it's time to turn your dreams into **reality!** Our gap programme brings together an exclusive team of professionals - in fact, the very best in their field - to help you discover your **inner potential**, develop a **vision** for your life and learn the skills to **do** something **great**. In other words, be a **game changer**.

Make no mistake, in today's highly competitive world, you need something that will put you over. You need something that will make you **stand out** and put you ahead of the crowd. That's why your decision to do your gap year at **Collège du Léman** will not only lead to the most **exciting** year of your life, but will be an **investment** for the future.

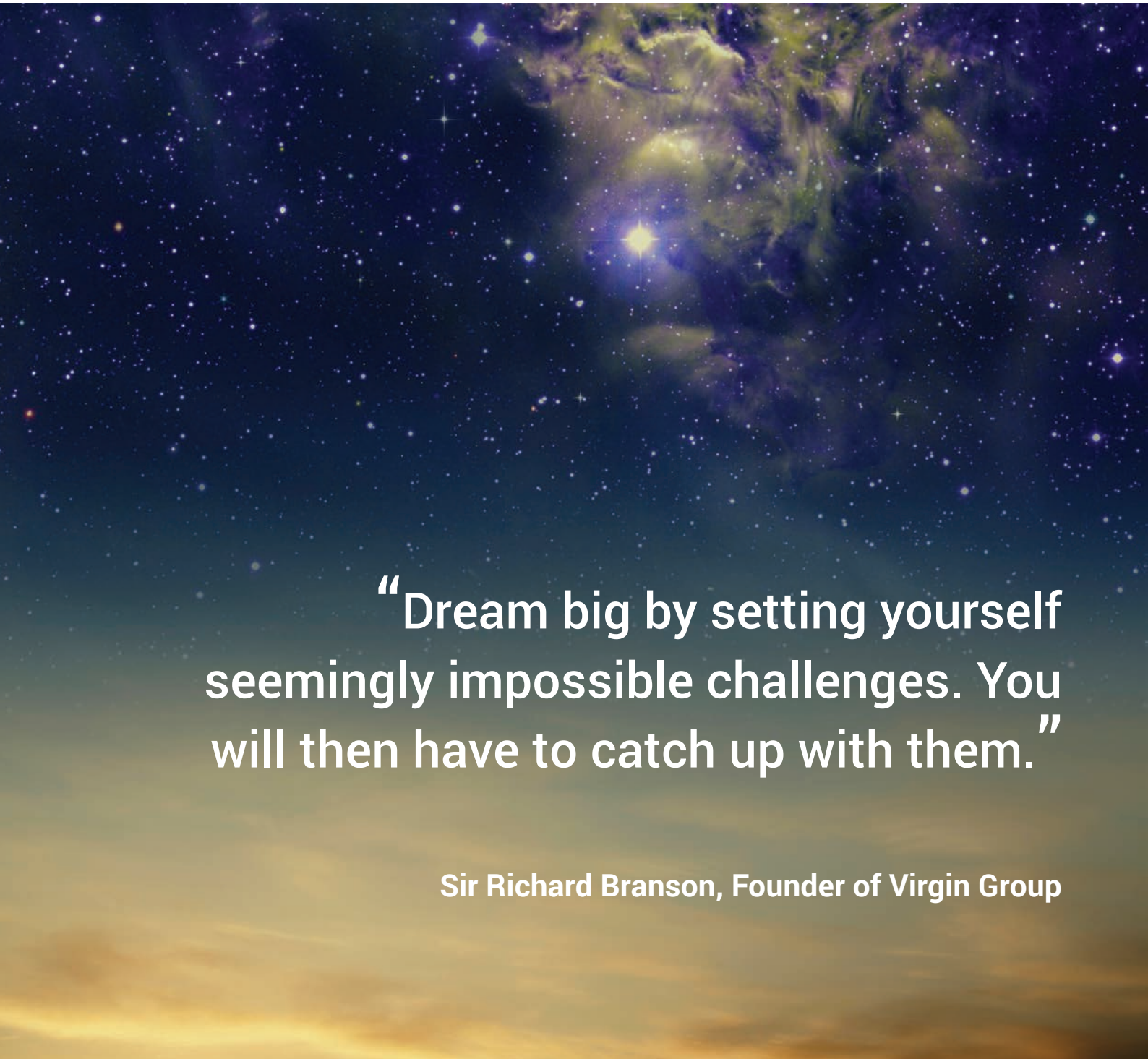
Our gap programme has been designed with **you** in mind. It's a **life experience** that will put you way ahead of your peers at university and give you the quiet assurance that you have what it takes to succeed. You will be **inspired**, learn **new skills** and make **lifetime friends**, all while **having fun** and **discover places** you never knew existed!

You will be a full-fledged member of our **Leadership Academy Programme** and **School of Entrepreneurship**, practice your skills as a leader on a mountain top, create your own entrepreneurial **project**, do a **corporate traineeship**, rub shoulders with professionals, learn a new **language**, do **volunteering work** in Zambia, go **skiing**, go **travelling** and learn how to be **successful** at job interviews.

A dedicated team of professionals will **mentor** you throughout the year and create a framework for **self-reflection**, individual **coaching** and personal **growth**. One of the key concepts of our gap year is **flexibility**. Each person applying to our programme is **unique** and **valued**. That's why we **listen** to your needs, your desires and your **aspirations**.

The truth is, the world needs **you!** You have a unique personality and a combination of **abilities** that no-one else has. The people you will **impact** in your life are waiting for you. They need your **talents**, your **creativity** and your **determination**. This is a unique opportunity to embark on a journey of **self-discovery**, grow into the person you want to be and learn **leadership** skills that will set you apart.

Next year is a brand new year. Nobody's been there before. You can make it whatever **you** want it to be. So come and spend the **gap year** of your **life** at **Collège du Léman** and be part of an **exclusive** team of highly **motivated** young people ready to become the leaders of tomorrow!



“Dream big by setting yourself seemingly impossible challenges. You will then have to catch up with them.”

Sir Richard Branson, Founder of Virgin Group

OUR VISION

Our **vision** is to **inspire** and **empower** you to achieve your **dreams** and become a **master** of your own **destiny**.



OUR MISSION



Our **mission** is to provide you with the personal, social, leadership, entrepreneurial and management **skills** to discover your **inner potential**, develop a **vision** for your life and **achieve** something of value as a global **citizen** in a world full of **opportunities** and diversity.

THE PROGRAMME

Your gap year at Collège du Léman will take place over one academic year. If, for any reason, you cannot come for the entire year, we've designed the gap programme to be taken as two separate semesters. For those of you, for example, who live in the southern hemisphere and finish high school in December, you will be able to attend the gap programme for one semester and begin university in the northern hemisphere in September. Of course, you will derive the most benefit from attending both semesters and we think that our programme is so amazing that you will want to stay for the entire year!

The first thing you will need to decide is whether you will come for one or two semesters. As we are in Switzerland, Semester 1 will begin at the end of August and finish mid-December, while Semester 2 will begin at the beginning of January and end at the end of June.

To give you the most flexibility, you will have to choose one of the four following options:

Semester 1 only:

From the end of August 2016 to mid-December 2016

Semester 2 only:

From the beginning of January 2017 to the end of June 2017

Semester 1 + Semester 2:

From the end of August 2016 to the end of June 2017

Semester 2 + Semester 1:

From the beginning of January 2017 to mid-December 2017

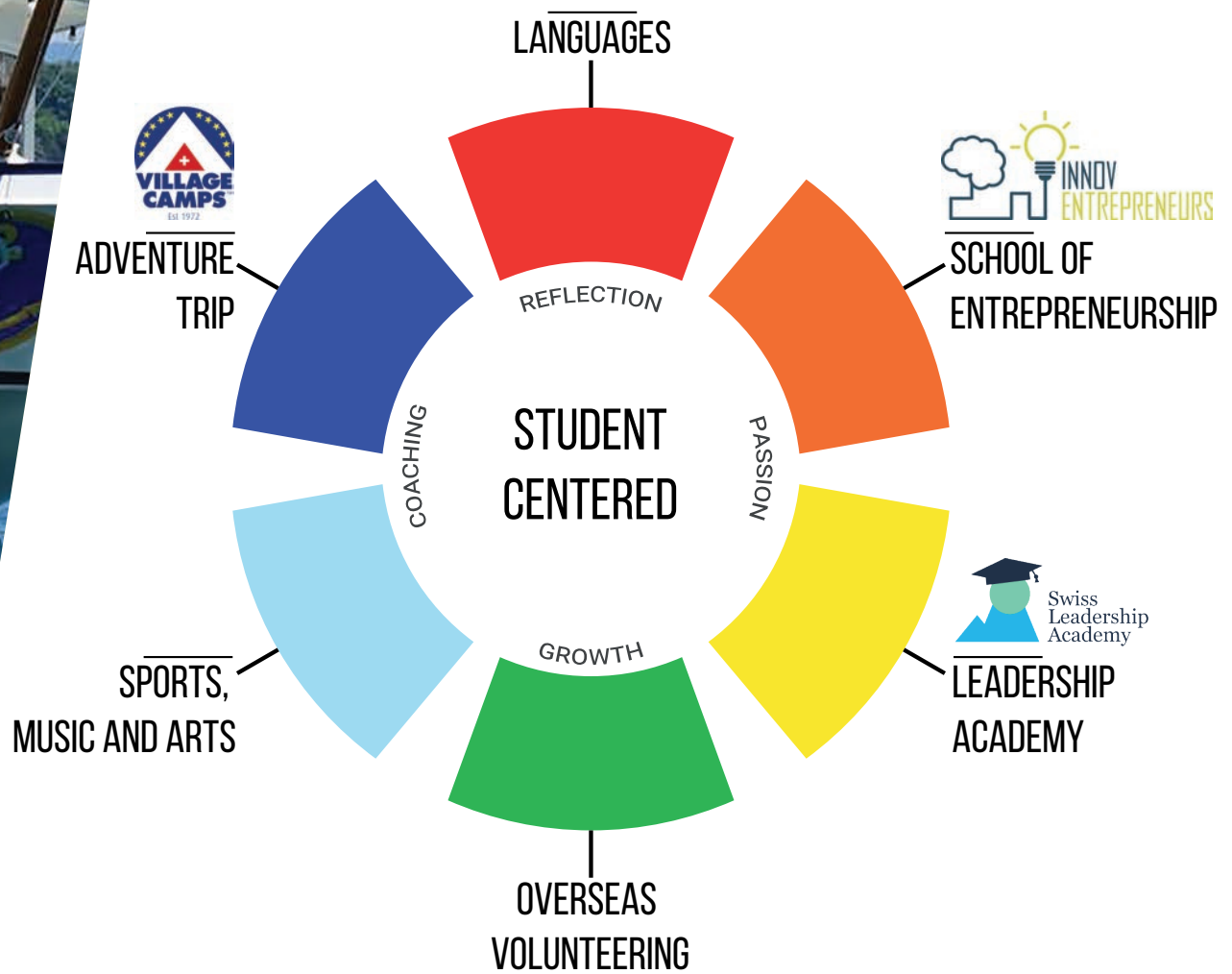
Now that we've explained how it works, let's look at the exciting programme for each semester.

SEMESTER 1

END OF AUGUST
TO MID-DECEMBER 2016

The kick-off date for Semester 1 will be Wednesday 31 August 2016. As you will be coming from all over the world and share different cultural backgrounds, you will be heading straight to the mountains on a two-day trip to get to know each other, have fun and experience outdoor activities. This will also be a great opportunity to set some personal goals for the semester and to share your aspirations for the future.

Back to home base in Geneva, you will start learning some invaluable skills that will inspire you, expand your mind, and open up a whole new world of possibilities. To make this experience the most exciting for you, we have included the following modules, workshops, and activities during the first semester:



Be equipped with the leadership and management skills to be an effective 21-century leader that others will want to follow and be a driving force for positive change.



This programme, designed by the renowned Swiss Leadership Academy, will bring together the best senior trainers and industry leaders to deliver the following modules:

Personal Skills and Leadership Development:

- Teamwork
- Time Management
- General and Business Etiquette
- Communication Skills
- Dealing with Conflict
- Problem Solving
- Media and Presentation Training
- Preparation for Assessments

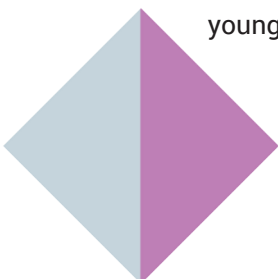
Professional Skills Workshops and Master Classes:

- Project Management
- Management by Objectives (MBO)
- Effective Sales
- Marketing and Personal Branding
- Creativity, Product Innovation and Disruptive Business

Each of these modules is the pinnacle of both personal and professional development. They include interactive presentations, practical simulations, group interactions, personal reflection, goal setting and dynamic feedback. All these elements are combined together in a unique way to help you develop strong leadership abilities while having fun, enhance motivation and boost your self-confidence.

The speakers, trainers and experts who deliver these modules and workshops are all passionate, committed and highly experienced professionals in their respective fields of leadership, management, coaching and consulting. They have extensive track records working with executive managers and management trainees, as well as with top entrepreneurs, various corporates and start-ups from around the world.

Having successfully completed all the modules and workshops, you will not only be very proud of yourself, but you will graduate from the Leadership Academy Programme with the knowledge, the skills and the tools, together with an official certificate, to bring your dreams into reality and be part of an exclusive team of young leaders ready to shape the world of tomorrow.



Learn the skills to successfully create your own project, transform your dreams into reality and shape the world of tomorrow.

*"Don't ask kids what they want to be when they grow up but what problems they want to solve. This changes the conversation from *who do I want to work for*, to *what do I need to learn to be able to do that?*"*

Jaime Casap, Google

In today's highly competitive world, the businesses that are most successful are those that have understood the need to stay ahead of the game by innovating products and services. That's why we've called on Innov Entrepreneurs, a cutting-edge team of professionals, to develop a tailor-made programme to unlock your potential and empower you to be part of the next generation of entrepreneurs and innovators.

The programme will introduce you to a whole range of entrepreneurial skills and fundamental business principles in a stimulating, educational and creative environment. The workshops will take you through the entire process of setting up a business from A to Z, from theory to practice, from concept to reality. Some of the modules covered in this programme will include:

- Opportunity Analysis
- Market Research and Customer Validation
- Strategy
- Product Development
- Marketing and Communication
- Sales and Negotiation
- Pitching and Public Speaking
- Writing a Business Plan
- Intellectual Property: Legal and Fiscal Aspects
- Financing and Fundraising
- Management

These modules will complement the skills that you will have learned in the Leadership Academy Programme and bring together all the elements for you to start your own business and be successful in implementing any kind of project. To make this possible, Innov Entrepreneurs will be using the most up-to-date tools available on the market, including Alexander Osterwalder's and Yves Pigneur's *Value Proposition and Business Model Canvas*, the *Design Thinking* process and Galbraith's *STAR Model*.

During the programme, you will brainstorm in teams to launch your own company, carry out customer research

and conduct a competitive analysis. You will then build a real-life business model in response to identified customer needs, write a business plan and pitch your project to potential investors, a skill that you will need to ensure business success!

Innov Entrepreneur's method differs from classic entrepreneurship programmes as they deliver a unique blend of education, fun, interactive and hands-on experiential workshops that you won't find anywhere else. As an entrepreneur, you will develop the ability to analyse past and present trends and apply that information to the future towards solving real-world problems and improving society for the better. Your design thinking will expand, your creativity will blossom and your hindsight into the future will give you the vision to become one of the true innovators and leaders of tomorrow! And as an added bonus, you will receive a recognised certificate at the end of the programme that will be worth 6 credits at the University of Lausanne towards a Bachelor of Management and give you the competitive advantage when applying for a job or at a university!

LANGUAGES

Develop your ability to communicate in a foreign language to open doors of opportunity and become a global citizen.

Parlez-vous français?
Sprechen Sie Deutsch?
Parli italiano?
Habla español?



One of the components of your gap year at Collège du Léman will be to learn a new language. You will be given an opportunity to choose from French, German, Italian, Spanish and Chinese (the final choice of languages will depend on the number of students registering for a particular language). If you would like, however, to learn a different language, we will do our best to organise a teacher or find you a suitable on-line course. All our language teachers are native speakers and will provide you with the best learning environment for you to learn how to understand, speak, read and write in your new language. They will make learning a language fun and include plenty of visual aids, speaking practice and all the support you need.

Your level of proficiency will be assessed before the beginning of the semester for you to derive the most satisfaction out of your learning. If you come for two semesters, we will take you to the next level of proficiency (i.e., from beginner to intermediate or from intermediate to

advanced). In any case, you will complete an entire level and be given the opportunity to take an examination at a dedicated test centre. Upon successful completion, you will be awarded an official certificate in your chosen language (DELTA, Goethe, CILS, DELE, HSK, etc.) and take pride in your new achievement!

ADVENTURE TRIP

Go on an adventure and learn survival skills in the Swiss outdoors.



While the weather is still warm, you will be heading for an adventure into the Swiss mountains. You will get to experience nature first-hand by learning outdoor living skills, survival techniques and facing challenges in nature. You will learn how to build a shelter, make a fire, cook outdoor meals and learn to work with a compass. Fun activities will be on the programme, including games, challenges and competitions to build trust and foster cooperation. In addition, you will learn about the environment, recycling and nature conservation to develop an understanding of earth's ecosystem. The programme will also include spectacular activities, like mountain biking, trekking, canoeing or rafting. Each of these activities will be an adventure in itself and will present its own set of physical challenges!

OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERING

Make a difference in the world and reap the rewards by helping other people and learning the art of giving.

During your stay at Collège du Léman, we will take you on a trip to Zambia to experience first-hand the joys and the rewards of helping and making a difference in people's lives. This two-week trip will contribute towards developing your philanthropic outlook on life and provide you with a great opportunity to demonstrate one of the traits that every great leader demonstrates: giving back!

We will take you to the Serenje Orphans Children's Home (SOCH) in rural Zambia, where you will meet and get to

know the 44 children being cared for by the orphanage. Your mission will be to empower poor children by helping them improve their literacy and numeracy skills. Your work will contribute to raise their education prospects and, in the process, provide you with an invaluable experience. This outreach will also be an excellent opportunity for you to develop a first-hand understanding of global issues like poverty, development and sustainability.

SPORTS, MUSIC AND ARTS

Practice your favourite sport, develop your musical abilities and unlock your artistic talents.

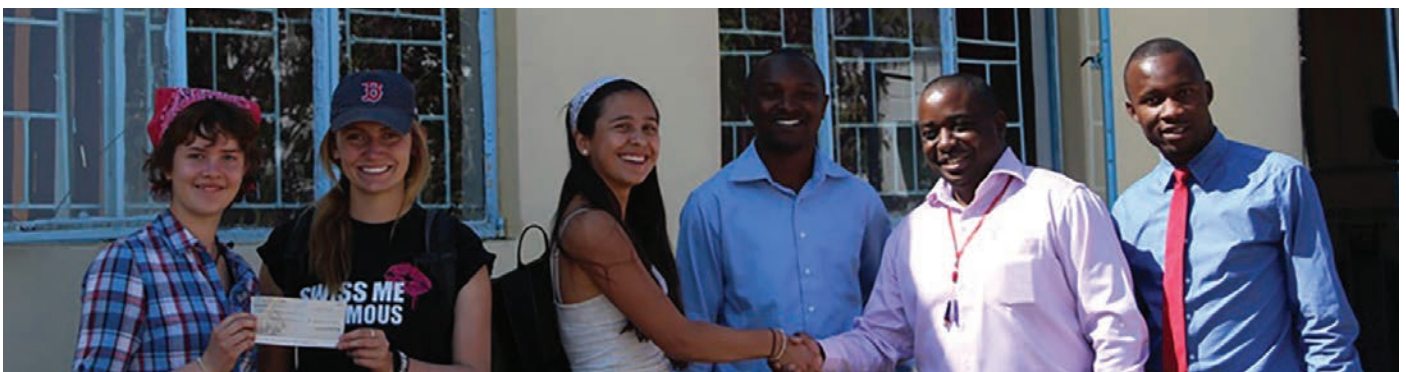
After a day of leadership training, entrepreneurial workshops and language learning, the excitement doesn't have to stop! You will have the opportunity to practice your favourite sport, take music lessons or give free reign to your artistic side...

Athletic activities to choose from will include Aerobics, Archery, Badminton, Basketball, Biking, Fitness, Floor Hockey, Golf Practice, Horseback Riding, Indoor Football, Rugby, Running, Sailing, Soccer Boys, Soccer Girls, Squash and Volleyball.

If you like performing arts, you will be able to choose from Classical Dance, Creative Rock Band, Dance Choreography, Drama, String Orchestra, Training Band Beginner, Writing & Recording, and Wind Band.

Alternatively, you may want to join a club in Computing, Emergency First Aid, Music DJ Mix, Photography, Sculpture, Sophrology & Mindfulness, and Yoga.

The list of activities on offer will be given to you at the beginning of the semester. You will be able to sign up for the activity of your choice and, in case you want to switch later on, you will be allowed to switch once for a maximum of two activities per semester.

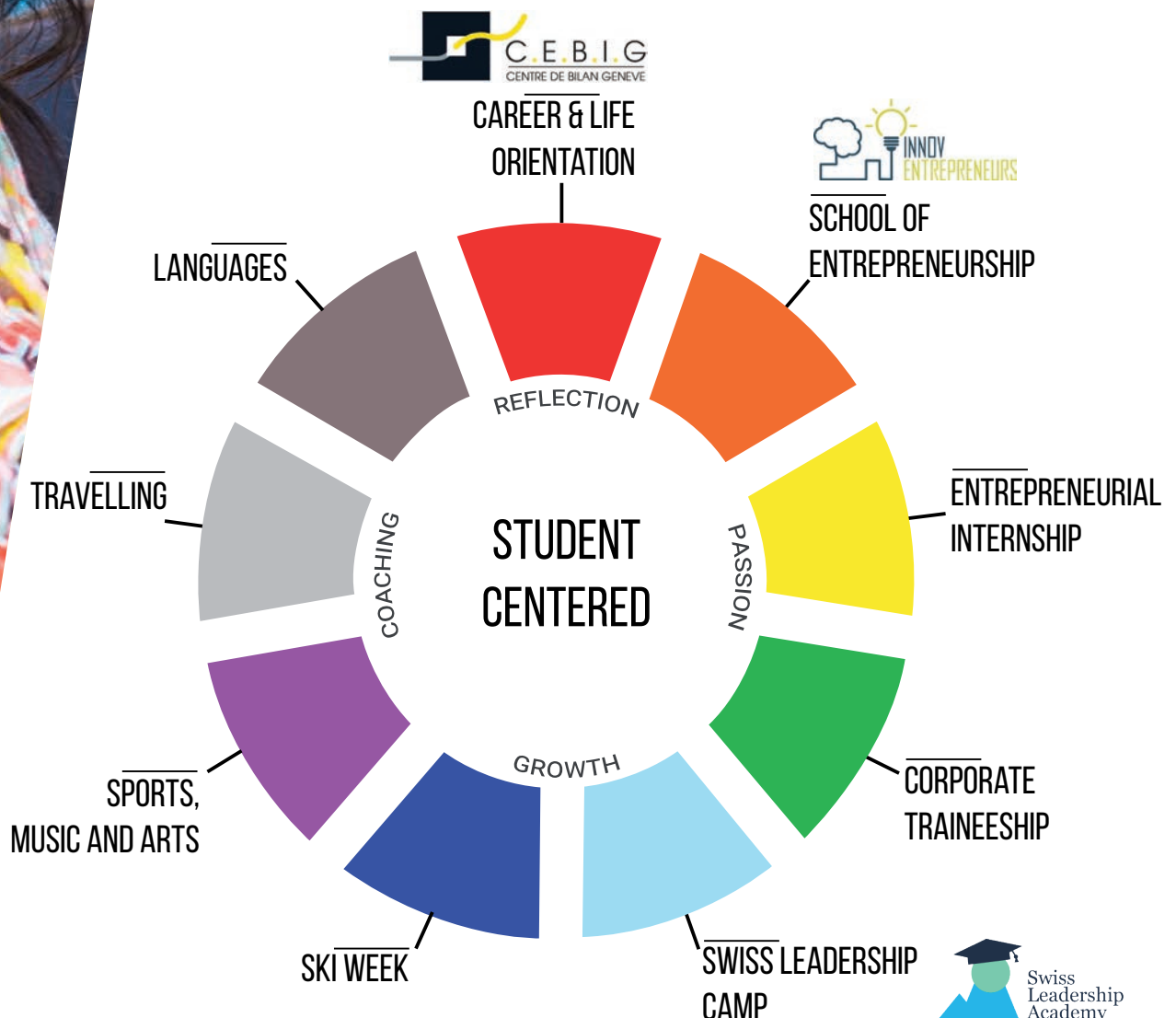




SEMESTER 2

BEGINNING OF JANUARY TO THE END OF JUNE 2017

The kick-off date for Semester 2 will be Monday 9 January 2017.
Here is a quick visual overview of the modules:



CAREER & LIFE ORIENTATION



Define your professional goals and develop the tools to manage your career in light of your personal values, aspirations and unique personality.

For this module, we've partnered with CEBIG, a team of career management professionals. This component of the gap programme will be divided into a series of group workshops, followed by several individual consultations with a personal coach. During the workshops, you will engage in a process of self-reflection to define your values, your interests and your motivations. You will take personality and interest tests to discover what drives you as a person, both in a work-related environment and in your personal life. Combined with an analysis of your personal background and experience, CEBIG professionals will help you synthesise all these elements into an individual profile, complete with an action plan and a list of achievable goals.

In parallel to the workshops, you will benefit from sessions with a personal coach to work on your individual profile, bounce ideas and give shape to the vision that you will slowly be developing for your life. Your coach will also be a great resource to help you design an eye-catching curriculum vitae, write motivation letters and practice job interview techniques.

Social media and digital branding are becoming increasingly important in promoting your individual profile, developing your professional network and increasing the visibility of your brand, products and company. That's why we also partnered with the Swiss Leadership Academy to deliver a workshop that will put your action plan into motion and help you achieve your professional goals through the use of social media and digital marketing. During this workshop, you will learn to optimise your use of digital PR, Search Engine Optimisation (SEO), Google Analytics (GA), social media mix and attractive graphic design for posted content like Tweets, CVs, brochures, websites and even random pictures or movies on media like Instagram and YouTube.

In addition to helping you define the career path that best corresponds to your individual profile, this component of your gap year will provide you with the tools to manage your career to be successful and take control of your own life. Above all, you will get to know yourself better and have the resources at your disposal to build your life on your own strengths and talents.

SCHOOL OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP



Learn the skills to successfully create your own project, transform your dreams into reality and shape the world of tomorrow.

The School of Entrepreneurship will be offered during both semesters (for an overview of the module, please refer back to the description under Semester 1). If you attended the first semester, the entrepreneurial skills that you learned will be reinforced as you will be given the option to work as a team leader in Semester 2. You will draw on the knowledge that you previously learned and lead your team members in carrying out customer research and conducting a competitive analysis. As the project leader, you will be the driving force in building a real-life business model in response to the needs analysis, together with writing the business plan and pitching your project for success! If you did not attend Semester 1, you will follow the same process, except that you will be working on a project as a team member.

ENTREPRENEURIAL INTERNSHIP AND/OR CORPORATE TRAINEESHIP

Practice your entrepreneurial and leadership skills in a real start-up or in a corporate environment.

This unique opportunity has been designed to give you first-hand experience as an entrepreneur and a leader in a real-life organisation. You will be given the choice to either complete an entrepreneurial internship, a corporate traineeship, or a combined entrepreneurial and corporate traineeship.

The entrepreneurial internship will be the culmination of all that you will have learned during the School of Entrepreneurship. Together with a mentor from the Leadership Academy Programme, you will select a project that matches your profile and aspirations. For five weeks, you will be working in a start-up or in a corporate business development unit. Depending on your interests, you will complete your entrepreneurial internship in hospitality, media, retail, marketing, sales, professional services or in the public sector, like healthcare and banking. These organisations are very excited about having you and will be looking for your help to facilitate innovation, generate new ideas and initiate projects. You will be assigned a manager from the start-up or the organisation who, together with your mentor from the Leadership Academy Programme, will provide guidance and evaluate your learning experience. All in all, this internship will be a unique opportunity for you to develop your entrepreneurial skills, use your talents and gain first-hand experience of the corporate world.

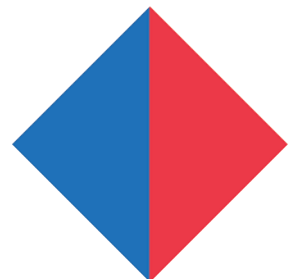
The corporate traineeship will consist of an internship in a large organisation. Like the entrepreneurial internship, you will be assigned a mentor from the Leadership Academy Programme to help you find a placement and provide all the guidance necessary. Unlike the entrepreneurial internship, however, you will be focusing on managerial tasks, including the execution, optimisation and evaluation of current activities and business processes. You will report to an in-house manager who will, together with your mentor, provide coaching and feedback throughout your internship. This five-week experience will be an exciting part of your gap year and will be a great opportunity to expand your vision, make a unique contribution and develop new relationships.

SWISS LEADERSHIP CAMP



Dare to be a team leader and push your own limits in the Swiss outdoors.

Before the end of your gap year, you will celebrate your achievements by taking part in a two-week Exclusive Swiss Leadership Camp. This exciting adventure will take you to a variety of outdoor locations to practice your leadership skills and reflect on what you have learned over the past months. Fun will be on the agenda as you will go on a glacier expedition, stay overnight at a mountain base, do rock climbing and practice classical dance! Having successfully met all these challenges and made lifelong friendships, you will be very proud of your achievements and return from camp with a wealth of experiences.





LANGUAGES

Develop your ability to communicate in a foreign language to open doors of opportunity and become a global citizen.

If you started your gap year at the end of August, you will continue studying your chosen language and take your examination once you've reached the required level of proficiency. After all the hard work you will have put into your lessons, you will be awarded an official certificate from a recognised institute and be very proud of your newly-acquired language skills! If you started the gap programme in Semester 2, you will need to choose the language you would like to learn (take a quick look under Semester 1 for a brief description of the available options) and go for it!

SKI WEEK

Experience winter in the snow while having fun and enjoying the Swiss mountains.

Before winter is over, we will take you on a week of skiing or snowboarding in the Swiss Alps. You will be travelling to the ski resort of Crans-Montana and hit the slopes for some exciting adventures! If you have never skied or experienced snowboarding before, don't worry; you will be coached by an instructor from the resort and make progress really fast! In the evening, you will enjoy typical Swiss meals in a communal atmosphere and enjoy the programme activities.



TRAVELLING*

Explore new destinations, discover a new culture or go on a crazy adventure anywhere in the world.

A gap year would not be complete without travelling, so we've made sure that you are given the wonderful opportunity to explore the world. You will have the option to either travel on your own or join a group of other students if you all have the same destination in sight. This is a decision that you will make at the beginning of Semester 2 so we have plenty of time to design a personalised itinerary that meets your approval.

For two weeks, you will be able to visit those places you only dreamed of so far or perhaps choose to go on a crazy adventure in a remote part of the globe. For those of you who would prefer to practice your newly-acquired language skills, you could go sightseeing in a country where your language is spoken or do a two-week intensive language course. For those of you who prefer to go on an adventure or discover a new culture, we've listed a few ideas below:

- Tour Europe by rail
- Go trekking in Nepal
- Experience Columbian culture
- Go surfing in Hawaii
- Explore wildlife in South Africa

Alternatively, you could do an additional overseas internship, combined with touring and expeditions, in some of the following countries:

- Law or journalism internship in Ghana
- Teach literacy and numeracy skills to children at the SOCH orphanage in Zambia
- Public relations internship in South Africa
- Medical experience in Cambodia

** The cost for these two weeks will be invoiced separately.*

SPORTS, MUSIC AND ARTS

Practice your favourite sport, develop your musical abilities and unlock your artistic talents.

In Semester 2, you will be given opportunities to practice your favourite sport, play your favourite instrument or simply let your creative side express itself through the arts. For a list of activities, please take a quick look back under Semester 1.



GAP YEAR EXTRA OPTIONS

FOR THOSE WHO WANT MORE OUT OF LIFE!



PRIVATE PILOT LICENCE*

Become a certified private pilot

In partnership with the Aero-club of Geneva, we are proud to present you with a very exciting opportunity to complete your European Private Pilot Licence (PPL). If you ever dreamed of flying an aeroplane and would like to discover the fascinating world of aviation, you will certainly jump at this opportunity. This option, only available if you attend two semesters, will consist of a combination of theoretical courses, practical flying, navigation exercises and a lot of fun! You will be learning about the principles of flight, aircraft systems, performance and limitations, flight planning, air law, meteorology, operational procedures, air traffic control and radiotelephony. After your first solo, you will slowly build your confidence and gain the required knowledge, skills and experience to successfully pass your final examination. All your hard work and dedication will finally be rewarded as you earn your pilot wings and join a very proud community of aviation enthusiasts!



** Cost for this option: CHF 20,000 based on 45 hours of flying as the minimum requirement to obtain a Private Pilot Licence.*





SAILING BOAT PERMIT*

Become a certified sailor

Collège du Léman is the only school in Geneva to own sailing boats! Last year, our sailing team competed in the famous *Bold'Or* regatta, a highly competitive race on Lake Geneva, aboard our two *Panthers* (named after our mascot).

To make your gap year even more exciting, we have put a package together for you to obtain your sailing boat permit. A professional instructor will be assigned to you and provide a combination of theoretical teaching and practical learning for the duration of your training (based on 24 hours of sailing). After reaching the required level of proficiency, you will take an official examination to be awarded your sailing permit and gain the freedom to sail on Lake Geneva all on your own!

* Cost for this option: CHF 2,600.

MOTOR BOAT PERMIT*

Be the captain of your boat

The training to obtain your motor boat permit will involve theoretical study and practical boating. You will be assigned a professional instructor and, after 15 hours of practice, pass the required examination. Once you obtain your permit, you will be able to rent a motor boat and have all the fun in the world on Lake Geneva!

* Cost for this option: CHF 2,000.

SAMPLE TIMETABLE

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning	Leadership Academy	Leadership Academy	School of Entrepreneurship	School of Entrepreneurship	School of Entrepreneurship
Afternoon	Leadership Academy	Leadership Academy	Language Classes	Language Classes	Language Classes
	Free Time	Flying (optional)	Free Time	Sports	Free time



AN EXPERIENCE VALUED BY UNIVERSITIES

The past few years have seen a steady increase in gap programme interest and enrolments all over the world. Statistics indicate, for example, that in Norway, Denmark and Turkey, more than 50 percent of high school leavers take a gap year before university or college. In the United States, the number of students enrolling in a gap year programme is increasing, with half of students planning to enter medical school taking a gap year.

The positive benefits of taking a gap year have been documented by various researchers. Joe O'Shea, in his book, *Gap Year: How Delaying College Changes People in Ways the World Needs*, found that students taking a gap year were more likely to graduate from college with a higher grade point average than students who went straight to college. In addition to increasing academic performance, the positive impact of taking a gap year is also supported by feedback from the students themselves. Gap year graduates, for instance, report significant higher motivation in university in the form of adaptive behaviour such as planning, task management and perseverance. This feeling was echoed by Birch, who found that taking a one-year break between high school and university increased motivation and interest in studies.

In another study, graduates reported that taking a gap year provided them with the additional skills and knowledge that contributed to the success of their academic major and career. Close to 88 percent of graduates reported that their gap year significantly increased their employability, while the overwhelming majority reported being very satisfied with their jobs once employed. Consequently, an increasing number of universities are supporting the notion of a gap year experience and understand that students who have completed a gap year will be more invested, better community members and have better employability as a result of their gap year.

By choosing to do your gap year at Collège du Léman, you will therefore not only learn the skills that will put you ahead of your peers, but you will get ahead of other applicants and develop the profile that universities and employers are looking for! This advantage will make you stand out of the crowd and give you the edge that you will need in today's highly competitive world.

THE CAMPUS

The gap programme will take place at Collège du Léman in Geneva, Switzerland. As an international school, the campus is home to about 2,000 students from more than 100 nationalities. The 8-hectare campus boasts state-of-the-art facilities, a brand new gymnasium, a swimming pool, tennis courts, a fitness room, a soccer field, a canteen restaurant and a small shop. As soon as you step on our campus, you will feel right at home and will no doubt enjoy the mix of cultures and languages spoken! If you do not live locally and are under 18, you will be staying in a boarding house with other gap programme students and a residential care taker. If you are over 18, you will be given the choice to either stay in a boarding house or share an unsupervised serviced apartment (pending availability) with another gap programme student (these two options mean that you will be a 'boarding student'). If you live locally, you will be given the choice to either live at home and be a 'day student' or choose one of the above two boarding options depending on your age.

Just in case you are wondering what Geneva is like, you will perhaps know that the city is renowned around the world for its *Geneva Convention* and for being home to the United Nations. Located in the heart of Europe, Geneva boasts an exceptional quality of life, excellent infrastructure and a highly educated and multinational workforce (more than 190 different nationalities are represented in the city). In addition to the countless Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) and Non-Profit Organisations (NPOs) that made Geneva their home, more than 130 multinationals are headquartered in the city, including international banks, world famous high-tech and biotech companies, as well as the world's leading trading companies.

As a country, Switzerland is both traditional and avant-garde. International and humanitarian by definition, the country is politically stable and democratic in nature. Its economic and financial prowess is based on hard work and ethics, while the source of its scientific and technological progress rests on a tradition of thoroughness and quality. You will come to love Switzerland as it is not only a centre of cultural diversity offering numerous cinemas, concert halls and theatres, but it is also the perfect place to practice and enjoy many sports and activities due to its geographical location, many lakes, rivers and mountains.



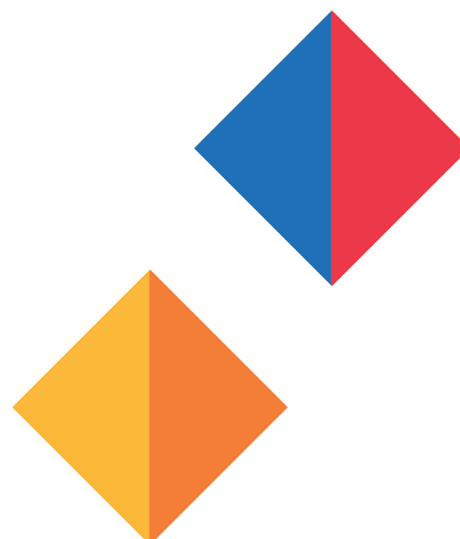
APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

At Collège du Léman, we believe that young people will be the leaders of tomorrow. That's why we have set our expectations very high and designed an exclusive gap programme that is both unique and highly competitive. Young people all over the world are craving to find meaning and direction in their life. They have a great attitude, they are highly motivated, and they have an amazing potential which only begs to be recognised, brought out into the open and put into the service of humanity. So if you have a burning desire in your heart to discover your inner potential, to develop a vision for your life, and to achieve something of value in a world full of opportunities, then the Collège du Léman gap programme is for you!

If your heart resonates with what you've just read, then you've fulfilled the most important requirement for our gap programme. In addition, you will also need to meet the following two requirements:

- Be aged between 17 and 21 at the start of the gap programme
- Have the equivalent of a B2 level of English proficiency (all the modules will be in English)

The Collège du Léman gap programme welcomes students from all over the world. It doesn't matter if your interest primarily lies in business, science, the humanities or the arts; you will learn practical skills that will give you the keys to turn your dreams into reality in whatever field you choose to make a difference!



PRICING

	Boarding Student	Day Student
Semester 1	CHF 39,000	CHF 22,750
Semester 2	CHF 50,000	CHF 27,250
Yearly	CHF 89,000	CHF 50,000

These fees cover all the modules, workshops and activities included in the programme (except for the two-week travel trip in Semester 2 and the options below), together with accommodation if you are a boarding student. A detailed description of services included is available in our General Conditions.

Options	
Sailing Permit	CHF 2,600
Motor Boat Permit	CHF 2,000
Private Pilot Licence	CHF 20,000

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Semester 1

Wednesday 31 August 2016 to Friday 16 December 2016

Winter Vacation

Saturday 17 December 2016 to Sunday 8 January 2017

Semester 2

Monday 9 January 2017 to Wednesday 28 June 2017

Easter Vacation

Thursday 13 April 2017 to Sunday 23 April 2017

For those of you coming from the southern hemisphere for a whole year, semester 2 (ending on Wednesday 28 June 2017) will be followed by:

Summer Vacation

Thursday 29 June 2017 to Tuesday 29 August 2017*

Semester 1

Wednesday 30 August 2017 to Friday 15 December 2017

Winter Vacation

Saturday 16 December 2017 to Sunday 7 January 2018

* During the summer vacation, you will have the option to either go travelling, do an overseas internship, complete a language course, do a corporate internship, volunteer in our summer camps and/or work on a cow farm in the Swiss Alps (the cost for the above options and accommodation over the summer vacation will be invoiced separately).

WANT TO APPLY OR GET MORE INFORMATION?

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Places are limited, so be sure to enroll now!



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