
GLOBAL SCHOLARS AND AFFILIATE
CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2018

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Independent Auditors' Report

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Report On The Consolidated Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Global Scholars and Affiliate, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the related consolidated statements of activities and changes in net assets and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Management's Responsibility For The Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Global Scholars and Affiliate as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

RubinBrown LLP

October 3, 2018

GLOBAL SCHOLARS AND AFFILIATE
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Assets	
	June 30,	
	2018	2017
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 578,941	\$ 738,081
Investments, fair value	88,894	85,568
Promises to give, net	—	6,915
Prepaid expenses	19,185	41,478
Total Current Assets	686,520	872,042
Furniture And Equipment, Less Accumulated Depreciation Of \$25,987 In 2018 And \$25,315 In 2017	3,692	6,419
Cash Reserved For College Allowance Fund	30,923	43,524
Cash Restricted For Donor Specified Purposes	62,299	35,102
Total Assets	\$ 783,434	\$ 957,087

Liabilities And Net Assets		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 17,431	\$ 4,112
Accrued expenses	66,597	69,802
Deferred revenue	9,800	37,703
Total Current Liabilities	93,828	111,617
Liability For College Allowance Fund	30,923	43,524
Net Assets		
Temporarily restricted	62,299	35,102
Unrestricted:		
Net investment in equipment	3,692	6,419
Board designated	458,273	454,080
Undesignated	134,419	306,345
Total Net Assets	658,683	801,946
Total Liabilities And Net Assets	\$ 783,434	\$ 957,087

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

For The Years Ended June 30, 2018 And 2017

	2018		2017		Total
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	
Revenues, Gains And Other Support					
Contributions:					
Contributions and bequests	\$ 1,845,875	\$ 55,000	\$ 1,900,875	\$ —	\$ 1,988,543
In-kind contributions	2,653,533	—	2,653,533	—	2,349,524
Administrative fees	4,300	—	4,300	—	5,525
Special events	44,551	—	44,551	—	9,200
Investment income	18,789	—	18,789	—	21,714
Net assets released from restrictions	27,803	(27,803)	—	(20,898)	—
Total Revenues, Gains And Other Support	4,594,851	27,197	4,622,048	(20,898)	4,374,506
Expenses					
Program	4,175,880	—	4,175,880	—	3,757,857
Management and general	359,162	—	359,162	—	406,665
Fundraising	230,269	—	230,269	—	180,360
Total Expenses	4,765,311	—	4,765,311	—	4,344,882
Increase (Decrease) In Net Assets	(170,460)	27,197	(143,263)	(20,898)	29,624
Net Assets - Beginning Of Year	766,844	35,102	801,946	56,000	772,322
Net Assets - End Of Year	\$ 596,384	\$ 62,299	\$ 658,683	\$ 766,844	\$ 801,946

See the accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	For The Years Ended June 30,	
	2018	2017
Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$ (143,263)	\$ 29,624
Adjustments to reconcile the increase (decrease) in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation	2,727	3,913
Realized and unrealized gain on investment	(14,317)	(18,986)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Promises to give, net	6,915	45
Prepaid expenses	22,293	(34,520)
Accounts payable	13,319	(2,697)
Accrued expenses and college allowance fund	(15,806)	20,205
Deferred revenue	(27,903)	37,703
Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Operating Activities	(156,035)	35,287
Cash Flows From Investing Activities		
Purchase of investments	—	(5,241)
Proceeds from sale of investments	11,491	18,555
Net Cash Provided By Investing Activities	11,491	13,314
Net Increase (Decrease) In Cash And Cash Equivalents	(144,544)	48,601
Cash And Cash Equivalents - Beginning Of Year	816,707	768,106
Cash And Cash Equivalents - End Of Year	\$ 672,163	\$ 816,707

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2018 And 2017

1. Organization

Global Scholars (the Scholars) was formed in 1986 with a vision to start Departments of Christian Studies in public universities around the world. In subsequent years, the vision expanded as it became apparent that students in all academic disciplines need Christian professors who communicate the truth, goodness, and beauty of Christ. Cooperative Studies, Inc. (the Affiliate) was formed in 2001 as a not-for-profit organization to help achieve the broader vision. Global Scholars professors serve as teachers, researchers, and university administrators in a wide range of disciplines—math, ethics, engineering, management, business, natural sciences, law, education, and many other fields—all from a Christian perspective. As such, Global Scholars professors have many opportunities to have a redemptive influence among their students, colleagues, universities, and academic disciplines. Global Scholars professors is now in a new season of growth as it prepares to launch the Society of Christian Scholars, a global community of, by, and for missional Christian scholars.

Until August 31, 2017, Global Scholars shared the same board members as the Affiliate and had an economic interest in the Affiliate. Accordingly, Global Scholars financial statements consolidated the accounts and activities of the Affiliate (collectively, the Organization).

Effective August 31, 2017, Cooperative Studies, Inc. was merged into Global Scholars and Global Scholars is the surviving organization.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

Basis Of Accounting

The consolidated financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Basis Of Presentation

Financial statement presentation follows the requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Under these principles, the Organization is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets and permanently restricted net assets. Accordingly, net assets of the Organization and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Unrestricted Net Assets: Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.

Temporarily Restricted Net Assets: Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may or will be met either by actions of the Organization and/or the passage of time.

Permanently Restricted Net Assets: Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that neither expire by the passage of time nor by actions of the Organization.

Principles Of Consolidation

Until August 31, 2017, the consolidated financial statements included the accounts of the Scholars and the Affiliate (collectively the Organization). All significant inter-organization transactions have been eliminated. The Scholars and the Affiliate were affiliated through the common majority voting interest in the Boards of Directors and the significant economic interest which existed between the entities. As of August 31, 2017, the entities have merged.

Estimates And Assumptions

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash And Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, the Organization considers all bank balances, cash management and highly-liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

The Organization maintains its cash and cash equivalents in bank accounts that may exceed federally insured limits at times. The Organization has not experienced any losses in these accounts in the past, and management believes the Organization is not exposed to significant credit risks as they periodically evaluate the strength of the financial institutions in which it deposits funds.

Investments And Investment Return

Investments consist of stocks and mutual funds and are reported at fair value in the consolidated statement of financial position. See Note 5 for a discussion of fair value measurements. Gains or losses on sales of investments are determined on a specific cost identification method. Unrealized gains and losses are included in the consolidated statements of activities and changes in net assets and are determined based on year-end fair value fluctuations.

Promises To Give And Revenue

Unconditional promises to give are recognized as support in the period the promises are received. Promises to give that are expected to be collected within one year are recorded at their net realizable value. Promises to give that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of estimated future cash flows, less an allowance for uncollectible promises. The discounts on those amounts are computed using a risk-free interest rate applicable to the year in which the promises are received. Amortization of the discount is included in contribution revenue.

Contribution revenue is recognized upon written notification from a donor, at net realizable value.

Special event revenue is recognized in the period in which the event occurs. Payments received in advance are recorded as deferred revenue on the consolidated statement of financial position.

Conditional contributions, which depend upon specified future and uncertain events, are not included as support until such time as the conditions are substantially met.

Restricted And Unrestricted Support

Contributions are reported as unrestricted, temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support, depending on the existence and nature of any donor restrictions.

Support that is restricted by the donor is reported as an increase in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the nature of the restriction. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the consolidated statements of activities and changes in net assets as net assets released from restrictions.

Furniture And Equipment

Furniture and equipment is recorded at cost or, if donated, at estimated fair value at the date of gift. Donations are reported as unrestricted support unless the donor has restricted the donated assets to a specific purpose. Expenditures for major renewals and betterments in excess of \$1,000 and that extend the useful life of assets are capitalized. Furniture and equipment are depreciated on the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, ranging from three to seven years.

Functional Expenses

Expenses are charged to programs and support services on the basis of management's estimates. Expenses that can be identified with a specific program and support service are allocated directly according to their natural expense classification. Salaries and wages are charged to program expense and support expense on the basis of periodic time studies. Other expenses which benefit several programs are allocated on a pro rata basis to the programs they benefit. Management and general expenses include those expenses that are not directly identifiable with any other specific function, but provide for the overall support and direction of the Organization.

In-Kind Contributions

The Organization recognizes the fair value of contributed services that create or enhance nonfinancial assets or that require specialized skills, are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation. The value of contributed services not meeting the criteria outlined above is not reflected in these consolidated financial statements. The estimated value of professor services received was \$2,653,533 and \$2,349,524 for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and is reported on the consolidated statement of activities and changes in net assets. The related in-kind expense is included in program expenses on the consolidated statement of activities and changes in net assets.

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Notes To Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

Income Taxes

The Scholars and the Affiliate are organizations exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) as not-for-profit religious and educational organizations. The Affiliate filed a final return as of August 31, 2017.

The Organization's tax returns for tax years 2014 and later remain subject to examination by taxing authorities.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year amounts to conform to the current year's presentation. The reclassifications had no effect on net assets.

Subsequent Event

Management evaluates subsequent events through the date the financial statements are available for issue, which is the date of the Independent Auditors' Report.

3. Promises To Give

Unconditional promises to give are summarized as follows:

	2018	2017
Total promises to give	\$ —	\$ 7,165
Less: Allowance for uncollectible amounts	—	(250)
<u>Net promises to give</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 6,915</u>

All promises to give are due within one year or less.

4. Investments

Investments and unrealized appreciation are as follows at June 30:

	2018		
	Cost	Fair Value	Unrealized Appreciation
<u>Common stocks</u>	<u>\$ 53,843</u>	<u>\$ 88,394</u>	<u>\$ 34,551</u>

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	2017		
	Cost	Fair Value	Unrealized Appreciation
Common stocks	\$ 53,845	\$ 73,936	\$ 20,091
Mutual fund	9,508	11,632	2,124
	<u>\$ 63,353</u>	<u>\$ 85,568</u>	<u>\$ 22,215</u>

Investment return consisted of the following for the years ended June 30:

	2018	2017
Interest and dividend income	\$ 4,472	\$ 2,728
Realized gain	1,981	3,755
Unrealized gain	12,336	15,231
Total investment income	<u>\$ 18,789</u>	<u>\$ 21,714</u>

5. Fair Value Measurements

The Organization follows an established framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under these rules are described below:

- Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Organization has the ability to access.
- Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:
- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
 - Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
 - Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;

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- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value:

Common Stocks

Valued at the daily closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Mutual Fund

Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. The mutual fund held by the Organization is an open-end investment fund that is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. This fund is required to publish its daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual fund held by the Organization is deemed to be actively traded.

There have been no changes in the methodologies used at June 30, 2018 and 2017.

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Organization's assets at fair value as of June 30, 2018 and 2017:

	June 30, 2018			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Common stocks	\$ 88,394	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 88,394

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	June 30, 2017			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Common stocks	\$ 73,936	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 73,936
Equity mutual fund	11,632	—	—	11,632
Total Assets At Fair Value	\$ 85,568	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 85,568

6. Temporarily Restricted Net Assets

Temporarily restricted net assets are available for the following purposes at June 30:

	2018	2017
AIDS projects	\$ 2,067	\$ 2,067
Christian Religious Knowledge	24,055	24,055
Scholarship fund	450	450
Library Fund	8,489	8,530
Launch of Society of Christian Scholars	27,238	—
	\$ 62,299	\$ 35,102

7. Net Assets Released From Restrictions

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes and are categorized as follows:

	2018	2017
Library fund	\$ 41	\$ 48
Strategic Opportunities Fund	—	10,483
AIDS Project	—	1,167
2016 Gala	—	9,200
Launch of Society of Christian Scholars	27,762	—
Total net assets released from restrictions	\$ 27,803	\$ 20,898

8. Board Designated Net Assets

Board designated net assets are available for the following purposes at June 30:

	2018	2017
SubSahara Africa	\$ 150,602	\$ 135,983
Southeast Asia and related professors	9,822	9,414
Central Asia and related professors	18,580	18,975
China and related professors	33,596	23,531
Europe and related professors	222,108	212,601
Mideast fund	(276)	(276)
Mexico, South & Central America	3,890	9,143
Professors not assigned	19,951	44,709
Total board designated net assets	\$ 458,273	\$ 454,080

9. Employee Benefits

The Organization has a retirement plan under IRC Section 403(b). The Plan covers all employees who meet certain service requirements. Annually the Organization will match employee contributions up to 5% of compensation, subject to IRC limitations. For the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, the Organization contributed \$43,156 and \$32,023, respectively, to the retirement plan.

The Organization has established a College Allowance Fund to assist in the education of children of overseas personnel. Eligible overseas personnel can contribute a portion of their salary, and the Organization will match up to 2% of compensation. For the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, the Organization contributed \$694 and \$633, respectively, to this College Allowance Fund. The cash held in this fund is restricted for use in satisfying the offsetting liability for the fund.

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10. Joint Costs

The Organization incurred joint costs for informational materials and activities that included fundraising appeals. These joint costs were allocated as follows for June 30, 2018:

	Vision Conference And Retreats	Newsletter And Mailings	Website	Total
Program	\$ 35,746	\$ 2,284	\$ 32,446	\$ 70,476
Management and general	—	2,000	13,416	15,416
Fundraising	13,724	2,335	1,115	17,174
Total joint costs	\$ 49,470	\$ 6,619	\$ 46,977	\$ 103,066

These joint costs were allocated as follows for June 30, 2017:

	Vision Conference And Retreats	Newsletter And Mailings	Website	Total
Program	\$ —	\$ 8,847	\$ 1,645	\$ 10,492
Management and general	—	6,802	3,865	10,667
Fundraising	—	26,410	2,714	29,124
Total joint costs	\$ —	\$ 42,059	\$ 8,224	\$ 50,283

11. Lease Commitments

During 2016, the Organization entered into an operating lease for office space with a third party through March 2019. Rent expense for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 was \$24,024 and \$24,133, respectively. The future minimum lease payments in 2019 under the operating lease are \$14,360.

