



2012 Intercollegiate Ivy League Colloquium

Comments shared in student participant survey and personal emails:

This was extremely well done, and I was very impressed!

It was a truly life-changing experience. I had an amazing time and met amazing people, and I thank ASF for that opportunity.

I learned a tremendous amount from my peers.

It was truly an honor to be a part of the colloquium and to get to know everyone else involved.

Standing in a circle on Sunday before leaving was a highlight. Saying one word that described our feelings about the colloquium. It felt less like an ending, and more like a new beginning.

I became passionate about increasing dialogue on my campus, and about working with all the other groups that care about the conflict. I also got to appreciate the "other" side much more. Before, I looked at the conflict as "us" vs "them." Now it's all of us working together to solve the conflict.

I particularly remember when Yoni explained that a leader on campus or elsewhere is one who takes risks rather than simply serves as a manager.

I would love to stay involved with the Fund and continue to participate in similar projects.

ASF definitely has a role in supporting campus projects. It is a wonderful organization and I hope to see it grow and spread!

My favorite part of the weekend was learning the power of other peoples' narratives. Not only are the other participants incredible people, the facilitators were able to get to the root of what makes them tick, and it showed me how powerful a narrative can be.

Laurie, you showed me what it means to really understand.

Arthur, you showed me the potential and power of action. You not only empowered me, but in that moment, I also realized the presence of a new role model for action-your family is a role model of how to take action.

The thing is, I am not a passive person, I take action... and I constantly try to understand. Except the two of you demonstrated a mastery of these two skills that I can only aspire to. This weekend you demonstrated what it means to have hope. You didn't tell us what hope was, but you showed us. And for that, I cannot thank you enough.

I want to thank you for inviting me to share in this past weekend with you. I sincerely enjoyed the colloquium, and I was deeply moved by you and your family. I thought the facilitators did an excellent job, and I feel privileged to have had the opportunity to be in a pod group with Yoav. I can't imagine how difficult it must be for your entire family, and particularly for Yoav, to engage with these issues so soon after Avi's passing. You were all truly inspiring.