Gabriela has participated and served as a mentor at YiQ. She has developed a passion for research and is currently studying the effect of acetaminophen on lipid membranes using NMR. She has presented her work at the 2015 and the 2016 Biophysical Society Annual Meetings.

Dara has participated and served as a mentor at YiQ. She was inspired to develop her own science program for women. She recently graduated in with a B.S. in Chemistry from St. Mary’s College, and was immediately hired by Eli Lilly as an Associate Automated Synthesis Chemist. She continues to mentor our students.

Prahasith (YiQ-2013 Graduate and Purdue student), has gone on to start two IT companies (In0v8 and Mimir, LLC), has been one of our speakers at the 2014 summer program, and has won the Purdue startup competition “The Boiler”.

Michaela, Keltsey, Corinne and John, under the direction of Dr. Goebl, worked on a project aimed at identifying genes and pathways related to aging using yeast models. After this experience Keltsey was able to secure funding for her 1st year of college. Project has been presented in 6 different events.

Victor and Chris (2015 YiQ Scholars) won the Bright House Networks 2016 Bright Ideas Regional Competition with their “Anti-Resistant Antibiotic Spray” idea. They will compete for the grand prize in Orlando, FL on the national stage.

These five stories represent snapshots of how our students are reaching their potential.
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• Research projects have been presented at 10 scientific conferences.
• We have provided 17 summer jobs and paid internships to students who served as mentors and staff.
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• The YiQ program has transformed the lives of over 100 participants who have worked on more than 25 research projects.
• Through our outreach activities we have provided inspirational STEM activities to more than 800 kids in Central Indiana.