



ABOUT THE HUNGER PROJECT

The Hunger Project is passionate about empowering leaders in resolving one of the biggest issues of our time – hunger.

The Hunger Project is a global not-for-profit organisation which believes that the hungry themselves – poor, non-literate women – are the key resource in ending hunger and poverty. Unlocking the creativity, leadership, entrepreneurialism and productivity of the poorest of the poor is what we do. We build leaders, particularly women leaders. We have women running banks in remote villages, women bringing water to their villages, women setting up small businesses and women leading development in their communities. We do this in 12 countries across Africa, South Asia and Latin America.

Since 1997, The Hunger Project has trained 400,000 community leaders and reaches 21 million people around the world, with only 380 employees. The key to this leverage is the development of organic leadership, which we define as unlocking a person's natural leadership through a transformative process that leads to personal and professional outcomes.

For The Hunger Project, leadership development is at the heart of who we are and what we do. Every single day our village partners are making the courageous transformation from hunger and dependency to self-reliance. Our strategic approach to leadership development – already applied in 24,000 villages across Africa, South Asia and Latin America – has application in Australia and throughout the world.

For the first time, world leaders have aligned and are standing together to end hunger and poverty by 2030 as one of the 17 Global Goals. This is an opportunity to play a role in achieving this Global Goal.

The Hunger Project believes that hunger is not a problem for just one country or the developing world. It is a global issue and requires new thinking, partnerships and ways of being to solve it. By bringing our whole selves from Australia – financial, social and personal – in authentic partnership with the women and men in villages, ending hunger becomes possible. This is the essence of The Hunger Project and the background for this Immersion Program.