

Darlene Damm



Darlene Damm is an impact-driven visionary who pioneered the impact technology industry. She co-founded two of the world's first impact technology companies in aerospace and drone transport, and as Faculty Chair and Vice President of Community and Impact at Singularity University, taught and mentored thousands of founders and executives who went on to build impact technology companies in every industry including Ag Tech, Food Tech, Ed Tech, Climate Tech, Gov Tech, Health Tech, and more.

Darlene served in leadership, strategy, operational, and expert roles with Singularity University, Ashoka, the World Bank, nonprofits in Vietnam and Myanmar, and has spoken about impact technology at the United Nations, the World Food Programme, SXSW, Google, Salesforce, Intuit, WalMart, Sony, LG, Aramaco and delivered TedX talks in Vilnius and Budapest.

She has written articles for Harvard Business Review, Forbes, the St. Louis Post Dispatch, Spiceworks, the OECD Forum, the Qatar Foundation and GRIT Daily. A number of news outlets including TechCrunch, Fast Company, Venture Beat, Wired, Popular Science, Aviation Week, NPR, Gigacom, Forbes, MoonandBack, engadget, The Denver Post, Le Monde and 60 Minutes have covered her work in drones, rocketry and Singularity University impact technology projects.

Darlene received her bachelor's degree from Stanford University, her master's degree from Johns Hopkins University's Paul H. Nitze School for Advanced International Studies (SAIS), was a fellow with Japan-US Community Education and Exchange, is an advisor to the UN World Food Programme Innovation Accelerator, was a mentor with Google's impact accelerator, a judge for Stanford BASES, and served on the Biden Administration's Working Group on Cross Border Trade. She holds patents in drone technology and Authority Magazine featured her as a social impact hero.