

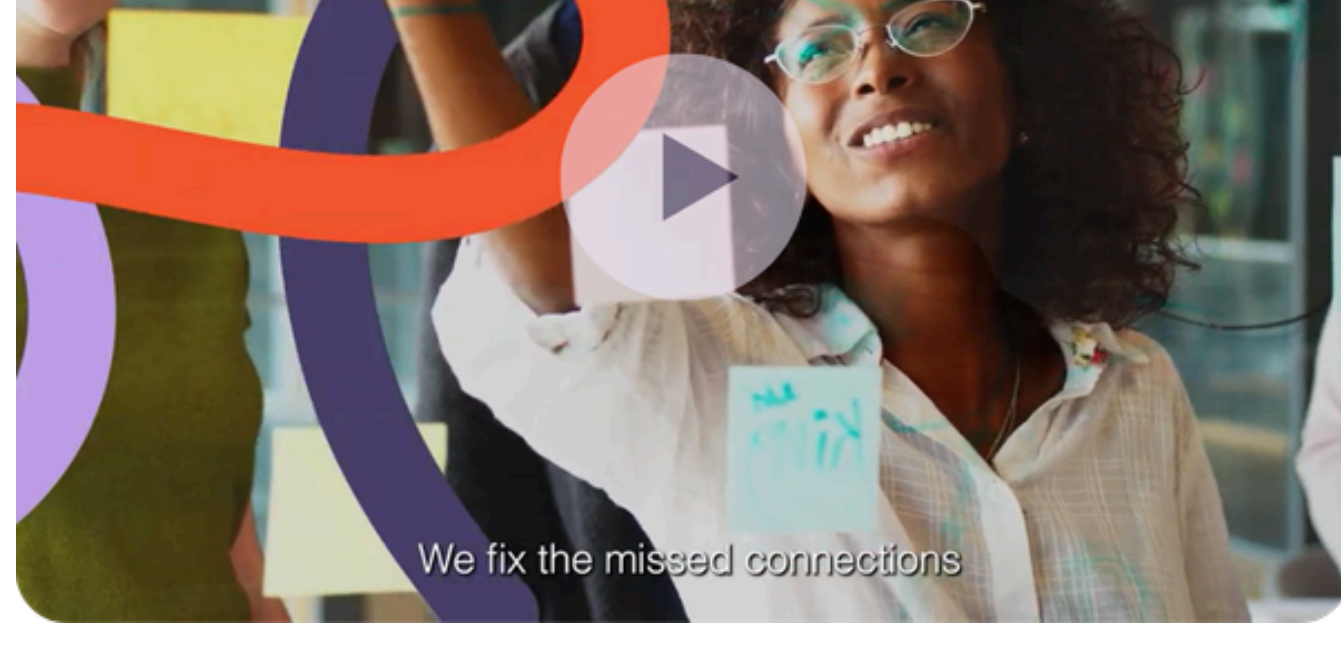
# The UpGlo Monthly

MAY 2026

May brings celebrations of identity, remembrance, and renewal. From the joy and cultural pride of Cinco de Mayo to Memorial Day, this month reminds us that America's story has always been shaped by many people, traditions, and journeys. As we welcome the unofficial start of summer, we are reminded that when talent is recognized, our nation becomes stronger.

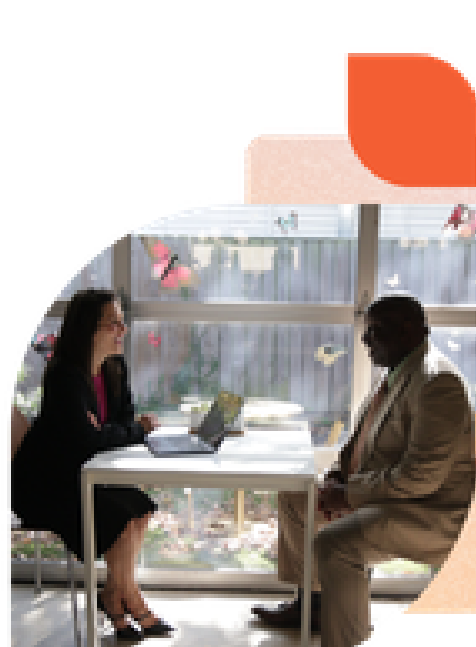
**Are you connecting with us?** Follow us on [Instagram](#), [TikTok](#), and [Substack](#) to learn tricks and tips you can use as you navigate the U.S. Workforce. If you are an alum, be sure to join our [Alumni Network on LinkedIn](#).

## Reclaiming Careers. Strengthening America.



Our latest [short video](#) explains why immigrant professionals are critical to America's future and how UpGlo is helping close the gap through direct jobseeker support, employer partnerships, and capacity-building that unlocks opportunity at scale.

[Watch Here](#)



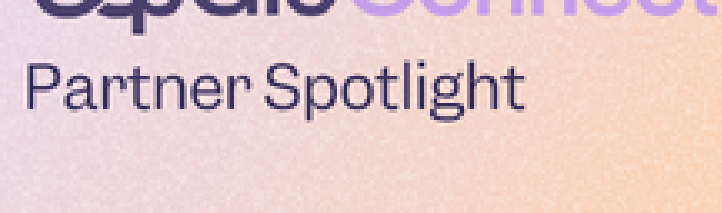
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A great cover letter doesn't repeat your resume; it helps employers see the person behind it. From crafting a strong opening to connecting your experience to an employer's needs, these simple tips can help internationally trained professionals tell their stories with confidence and stand out in a crowded job market.

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## Credentialed, Capable, and Ready: How IRIS and UpGlo are Closing the Gap for Immigrant Professionals

Since 2022, the **Upwardly Global** team has been working with **IRIS** to support jobseekers navigating the U.S. workforce, particularly through **UpGlo Learning**. By providing 100+ immigrants in Connecticut with the tools and confidence they need to reclaim their careers, we've opened the door to more than 21 job placements. Amid new challenges and policy changes, we remain committed to our partnership and to expanding our collective ability to ensure talent is seen.

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Technology and AI have the power to expand opportunity, and we are excited to welcome new leadership to help shape what that future looks like for immigrant professionals. We are proud to [welcome Prathibha Polapragada as our new Vice President of Technology and AI Infrastructure](#).

"Helping highly skilled, internationally credentialed professionals reclaim their careers in the U.S. is one of the most meaningful problems technology can help solve. I'm proud to be part of a team building systems designed around the needs of the people we serve, and advancing meaningful outcomes in workforce integration at scale."

— **Prathibha Polapragada**, Vice President of Technology and AI Infrastructure

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## CEO Tour with Greg Haile

- Washington, D.C.**  
July 13–15
- Chicago, IL**  
October 6–8
- San Francisco, CA**  
October 28–29
- New York, NY**  
November 9–10



### A Promise Renewed: Meet Greg Haile in Person!

Our CEO is coming to a city near you! For 25 years, Upwardly Global has helped immigrant professionals reclaim the careers they worked hard to build, and now we're bringing that mission directly to communities across the country. Through the [Promise Renewed CEO Tour](#), jobseekers, partners, alumni, and supporters will have the opportunity to meet UpGlo's new CEO, **Greg Haile**, hear his vision for the future, attend networking events, and explore how immigrant talent can meet the workforce needs of tomorrow.

[View the Tour Stops](#)

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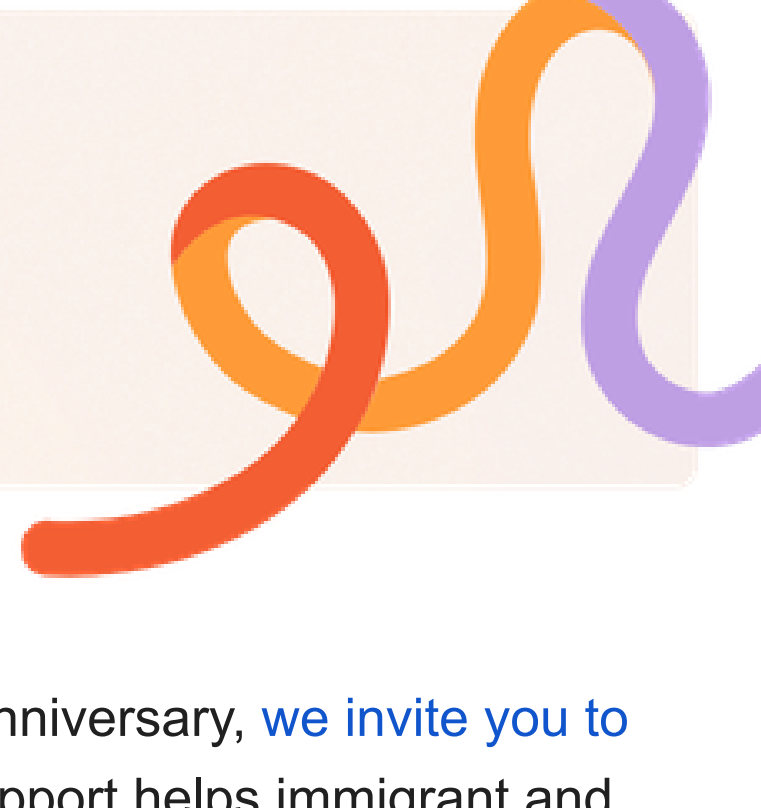


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From neighborhood parades to family traditions passed down across generations, immigrant communities continue to shape the culture and traditions that make the U.S. vibrant and connected. [Explore 10 holidays that celebrate identity, memory, and joy](#), and discover how these traditions continue to bring communities together across the country.

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## Your Support Changes Lives



As we look toward summer and our nation's 250th anniversary, [we invite you to invest in the people helping shape its future](#). Your support helps immigrant and refugee professionals reclaim their careers, contribute their talents, and strengthen the economy we all share.

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