We're excited to share with you our plans for completing the Park Manor Quad at Babson College. Upon the completion of the final residence hall in the quad, we’ll have a centralized space for undergraduate students, affording them more opportunities for spontaneous interaction and collaboration in the heart of our campus. Its location among our other residence halls and academic buildings will only serve to strengthen the tight-knit Babson community.
1 / Enrollment will stay at current levels. The student population will not increase with this new construction. The new residence hall will allow us to repurpose an older residence hall as administrative offices, and to move departments to more energy-efficient buildings. Other rooms on campus that have been used for housing (such as lounges) will be converted back to their original uses.

2 / Traffic will remain the same. The new residence hall will not generate new cars on the road. There is a chance that traffic will decrease, particularly at the peak morning and afternoon hours, as fewer students commute to campus. As always, no off-campus parking is permitted—including any construction vehicles.

3 / Residence hall will be located in the center of campus. The residence hall will complete the Park Manor Quad, allowing undergraduate students easier collaboration in one, centralized location. Located between other residence halls and academic buildings, the new construction does not border off-campus residences.

4 / Design will reflect current campus aesthetic. World-renowned architects Sasaki Associates have maintained the integrity of the campus in their plans.

5 / Landscaping. The Master Plan recommends a comprehensive landscape strategy that complements the existing wooded character, provides areas for respite and gathering, and supports the visual identity of the College.

6 / Residence hall will be the same height as existing buildings. Using primarily brick, glass, and metal, the new building will blend into the current campus style.

7 / New building will be energy efficient. We are designing the residence hall to obtain a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver rating as part of our goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2050.

8 / Pending approval, construction is estimated to begin by fall 2013. A 2013 start date will help us complete the project so that it is available for first-year students arriving on campus in the fall of 2014.

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