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Creating sustainable solutions

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CSA, Community Garden, and Food Sol

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40% reduction in GHG emissions achieved

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Providing sustainable transportation options

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WIND POWER / Purchasing electricity from renewable sources such as wind significantly reduces our carbon footprint and supports the development of a sustainable energy infrastructure. With its commitment to supply 5% of its electricity from a regional wind project, Babson is continuing its work towards achieving climate neutrality by 2050.

GHG EMISSIONS / Babson has signed the ACUCCP, or the American College and University Presidents’ Climate Commitment, and is committed to achieving carbon neutrality by 2050. By making investments in energy efficiency and solar power, procuring renewably sourced electricity, improving vehicle fuel efficiency, purchasing offsets and launching a campus cultural shift toward sustainability, Babson is demonstrating leadership through mitigating the causes of climate change and creating a sustainable energy infrastructure for the future.

EV CHARGING STATIONS / Campus fleet and personnel transportation account for nearly a quarter of Babson’s carbon footprint, making alternative transportation solutions a significant part of the Sustainability and Climate Action Plan. Three hybrid electric vehicles have been purchased for campus use, and electric vehicle charging stations have been installed on campus to reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with transportation.

CURRICULUM AND RESEARCH / Social, Environmental, Economic Responsibility, and Sustainability (SEERS) is a core principle of Entrepreneurial Thought and Action® (ETA), which is central to education and research at Babson. Faculty from all disciplines are studying sustainability solutions, and students may further their sustainability studies by selecting the concentration in Environmental Sustainability or through the Sustainability Certificate that is jointly offered through the Babson, Olin, Wellesley Colleges collaboration.

LEED BUILDINGS / Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) is an international green building certification that Babson is committed to. Babson’s current policy is for all new construction and major renovations to achieve at least LEED Silver.

Babson’s green building policy already has demonstrated significant results: Mandell Family Hall was built to LEED Silver standard in 2006, and the new First Year Residential Hall will also be a LEED Silver Building.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS / The Sustainability Office’s own Eco Reps are a force for change on campus, but sustainability leadership by student organizations at Babson doesn’t stop with them. Through both social and environmental efforts, there are many student organizations on campus who are change agents that lead sustainability efforts and give back, not only to the Babson community, but also to communities beyond campus.

CONNECTING FARM TO FORK / Babson’s approach to food systems is entrepreneurial both in thought and in practice. Food Sol, an action tank, provides Babson’s voice on food innovation and entrepreneurship with potential. On campus, faculty, staff, and students can participate in a CSA program and receive weekly deliveries of locally grown produce. Participants directly support the local farmer. The Babson community also has the opportunity to grow their own produce with the Community Garden, which was started in 2010 by dedicated faculty, staff and students.

FOOD WASTE DIVERSION / Babson is diverting its food waste to be composted at local farms, producing valuable soil instead of being incinerated. In the current pilot phase, kitchen scraps are being diverted from Trim Dining Hall. As the pilot is expanded, pre- and post-consumer scraps will be collected across campus.

HYDRATION STATIONS / Hydration stations present a sustainable alternative to bottled water by providing a convenient, reusable water bottle filling station with filtered tap water. Each hydration station will divert thousands of plastic bottles from landfills every year. Installing this efficient new technology is part of a broader effort to reduce water waste and water consumption at Babson.

ON CAMPUS COLLABORATION / Sustainability at Babson is a collaborative effort. With the help of many different faculty, staff, and students, Babson has been able to grow its sustainable community. Slash the Trash, Sustainable Event Signs, and the EV Charging Stations are all examples of how different student groups and departments have come together and offered their expertise to bring Sustainability at Babson to the next level.

MISSION STATEMENT / The mission of the Sustainability Leadership Team is to guide the integration of sustainability into Babson’s core values and to build awareness of the impacts that personal and organizational decisions have on the environment and society.

V рее / Babson College will uphold Social, Environmental, Economic Responsibility, and Sustainability (SEERS) as a core principle of Entrepreneurial Thought and Action® (ETA).

PRESIDENT ENDORSEMENT / Through its mission, strategy, governance, and current operations, Babson is committed to integrating social and environmental sustainability concepts into the education of the world’s next generation of visionary, business leaders.

ALUMNI / Babson alumni are creating sustainable, real-world solutions to social, economic, and environmental issues, including solving challenges in solid waste, sustainable food systems, and energy efficiency.

FROM DAY ONE FEST / From Day One Fest is a major event in the fall aimed at introducing new students to social entrepreneurship and driving home the message that we all can make a difference starting “From Day One” at Babson. Highlights include education about our zero waste system, food sourced responsibly from local, natural, and organic methods, free sustainable gear, informative tools, networking with experts, and being introduced to the many amazing departments and students groups on campus with the "From Day One" mindset.

CONNECTION TO FARM TO FORK /

Babson College has a strong commitment to sustainability and has implemented a variety of initiatives to reduce its carbon footprint and promote environmental responsibility. The college has signed the American College and University Presidents’ Climate Commitment, which aims to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050. Babson has also implemented a green building policy that includes the construction and major renovations of all new buildings to meet LEED Silver standards. The campus has installed EV charging stations to support sustainable transportation, and has purchased three hybrid electric vehicles to reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with transportation.

Babson College has also implemented a sustainability certificate that is jointly offered through the Babson, Olin, Wellesley Colleges collaboration. Students can focus their studies in Environmental Sustainability or through social and environmental efforts. The college has a strong focus on entrepreneurship, and the Sustainability Office’s Eco Reps are actively involved in promoting sustainability initiatives on campus.

Babson College has implemented a food waste diversion program, where kitchen scraps are diverted from Trim Dining Hall and composted at local farms. This initiative not only reduces waste but also provides valuable soil for local farms. The college also has hydration stations to promote the use of reusable water bottles.

Babson College is committed to integrating sustainability concepts into the education of its students through curricular and extracurricular activities. The college has a strong focus on entrepreneurship and has launched the Food Sol action tank to promote innovation in the food system. The college also has a Community Garden, which is managed by dedicated faculty, staff, and students.

Overall, Babson College is dedicated to promoting sustainability and environmental responsibility through its policies, initiatives, and educational programs.