Proof points

» Babson is a signatory to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Management Education. This formally identifies social value as a top priority in both the graduate and undergraduate programs and reinforces Babson’s commitment to educate leaders who create great economic and social value everywhere.

» Babson serves as the lead educational institution in the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses initiative, a $500 million investment that provides small business owners with greater access to business education, financial capital, and business support service. We also are a partner on the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Women initiative designed to provide a business and management education to underserved female entrepreneurs in developing and emerging markets.

» In 2015, Babson community members provided more than 31,500 hours of service through our Bernon Center for Public Service.

» Food Sol is an action tank catalyzing triple-bottom-line innovation in the food system. A healthy food initiative is a clear fit for a school of public health, nutrition, or agriculture. But, as the leader in Entrepreneurial Thought & Action®, Babson teaches its future leaders how to convert complex challenges into opportunity—for social, environmental, and economic value creation. Thus, leveraging Babson’s signature methodology, Food Sol creates a productive, action-oriented environment by convening the right sets of players to tackle Big Food Dilemmas, collaborate across sectors and perspectives, and design the approaches that will drive triple-bottom-line business success in food.

» The Babson Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Project is an action-research project that develops the entrepreneurial capacity in defined localities by bringing together the policies, structures, programs, and climates that foster entrepreneurship.

» Babson was selected as an Ashoka Changemaker Campus for our commitment and ability to serve as an enabling environment for social entrepreneurship; providing individuals with access to the resources, role models, learning opportunities, and peers needed to actualize their full potential as social entrepreneurs and change makers. Ashoka awarded its 2011 Social Innovators Award to Babson for innovation in teaching social entrepreneurship.
Babson Board Fellows is an experiential learning program that places Babson MBA students and recent alumni volunteers as nonvoting members of local nonprofit boards. The nonprofits benefit from fresh insight as well as from student contributions to board committees and special projects. Students benefit from exposure to board-level decision making, mentorship, and through working on projects. This year, Babson Board Fellows is delighted to partner with organizations ranging from the Charles River Center to Special Olympics of Massachusetts.

Micro Supply Chain Project: Entrepreneurs and artisans in developing countries face barriers due to a lack of infrastructure, systematic burdens, corruption, inefficient government, and limited markets. This partnership among MIT, Made By Survivors, an organization that helps survivors of human trafficking, and the Babson Social Innovation Lab will create mobile applications for managing micro-supply chains that will change the future for marginalized people in developing countries by enabling them to succeed in the global marketplace.