INVESTING FOR IMPACT CASE STUDIES

Our faculty have written over 25 cases (listed below) that explore challenging problems in finance and investment, financial management, leadership, entrepreneurship and social enterprise.

ABOUT INVESTING FOR IMPACT

An increasing share of assets globally are subject to a non-traditional (environmental, social, and governance ["ESG"] and impact screen), including over 25% of all professionally managed assets worldwide (ca. \$23 trillion). This approach is growing - for example, in 2018, Larry Fink, CEO of the world's largest asset management firm, Black Rock, wrote in a public letter: "To prosper over time, every company must not only deliver financial performance, but also show how it makes a positive contribution to society."

This statement reflects an increasingly broad-based sentiment that asset owners should include ESG and impact criteria in their investment process. Most large asset managers (e.g., Goldman Sachs, Bain Capital, TPG, Blackrock, State Street) are establishing sustainability, "ESG" or impact investment practices, and developing products to meet the demands of capital owners, including pension funds, endowments, and family offices.

The promises are seductive: better long-term risk management, "doing well by doing good," even new sources of alpha. Skeptics argue a focus on non-traditional criteria may distract from and reduce returns, or, on the other extreme, shift funding away from worthy philanthropic causes. Cases examine: What does it mean in practice to incorporate non-traditional preferences and criteria? How do such activities affect risk and return? Do these new practices actually alter company behavior, or create social value? How is and how should social value be defined and measured?

In the context of public markets, cases examine the costs and benefits of negative screens, ESG integration, and activist investing. Private market cases cover venture capital in Asia and Africa, private equity in the US renewables market, as well as instruments involving the public sector, such as social impact bonds.

Many cases require rigorous financial and investment analysis, building on and extending skills acquired in first year finance courses. Cases are taught in a range of courses including Investing in the 21st Century: Risk, Return and Impact, Re-Imagining Capitalism: Big Business and Big Problems, Business at the Base of the Pyramid, Investing in Emerging Markets, among others.

| Case | ТҮРЕ | AUTHORS | DATE | CASE# | TEACHING NOTE |
|--|------------------------|--|------|---------------|------------------|
| OpenInvest: Democratizing Impact Investing? | Case and Courseware | Shawn Cole; Boris Vallee; Nicole Tempest Kellers | 2018 | 9-218- 064 | Yes |
| Impact Investing for Cancer | Case | Richard G. Hammermesh; Mathew G. Preble | 2018 | Pending | Forthcoming |
| Environmental Technologies Fund Partners and E-Leather | Case and Courseware | Vikram S. Gandhi; Aldo Sesia | 2018 | 9-318- 001 | Forthcoming |
| HBS Background Note: Introduction to Investing for Impact | Background Note | Shawn Cole; Vikram S. Gandhi; Caitlin Reimers Brumme | 2018 | 9-218- 072 | N/A |
| HBS Background Note: Examining the Case for Impact Investing | Background Note | Shawn Cole; Vikram S. Gandhi; Caitlin Reimers Brumme | 2018 | 9-218- 083 | N/A |
| Background Note: The Challenges of Managing and Measuring Impact | Background Note | Shawn Cole; Vikram S. Gandhi; Caitlin Reimers Brumme | 2018 | 9-218- 115 | N/A |
| Wellington Global Impact Fund | Case | Shawn Cole; Lynn Schenk | 2018 | 9-218- 067 | Forthcoming |
| Morgan Stanley: Building Long-term Sustainability | Case | Vikram Gandhi; Lynn Schenk | 2018 | 8-318- 103 | Forthcoming |
| Goldman Sachs: Making an Imprint in Impact Investing | Case | Shawn Cole; Vikram S. Gandhi; Caitlin Reimers Brumme; Lynn Schenk | 2018 | Pending | Forthcoming |
| Acumen: Managing Towards Impact | Case | Shawn Cole; Caitlin Reimers Brumme | 2018 | 9-218- 086 | Forthcoming |
| Root Capital: Efficient Impact Frontier Simulation | Case and Courseware | Shawn Cole; Caitlin Reimers Brumme | 2018 | 9-218- 084 | Forthcoming |
| Blue Haven Initiative: The PEGAfrica Investment | Case and Courseware | Vikram S. Gandhi; Caitlin Reimers Brumme; Amram Migdal | 2018 | 9-318- 003 | Forthcoming |
| Meridiam Infrastructure Africa: Madagascar Airports | Case and Courseware | Shawn Cole; Lynn Schenk | 2018 | Pending | Forthcoming |
| Financial Inclusion at Omidyar Network | Case | Vikram S. Gandhi; Caitlin Reimers Brumme; James Barnett | 2018 | 9-318- 004 | Forthcoming |

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| TPG Rise: | Case | Vikram S. Gandhi; Caitlin Reimers Brumme; Sarah Mehta | 2018 | Pending | Forthcoming |
| CalSTRS and Relational Occidental's Governance (A, B and C) | Case | Robert E. Eccles; George Serafeim; and Sarah E Farrell | 2017 | 9-113- 090 | No |
| ESG Metrics: Reshaping Capitalism? | Background Note | George Serafeim; Jody Grewal | 2017 | 9-116- 037 | N/A |
| Vox Capital: Pioneering Impact Investing in Brazil | Case | Julie Battilana; Marissa Kimsey; Falko Paetzold; Priscilla Zogbi | 2017 | 9-417- 051 | No |
| Dan Gilbert, Crazy or Crazy like Fox | Case | Nori Gerardo Lietz | 2016 | 9-216- 066 | No |
| State Street - The Development and Growth of SHE | Case | Vikram Gandhi | 2016 | 9-317- 040 | Yes |
| Pi Investments | Case | Vikram Gandhi; Tony He | 2016 | 9-317- 039 | Forthcoming |
| DBL Partners: Double Bottom Line Venture Capital | Case | Shawn Cole; Mark Kramer; Tony He | 2016 | 9-217- 022 | Yes |
| Howard Fisher, Eric Jacobson, and Gratitute Railroad's Impact Investing | Case | Rosabeth Moss Kanter; Dan Lennox Choate | 2015 | 9-316- 047 | Yes |
| The Sustainability Accounting Standards Board | Case | Julie Battilana | 2014 | 9-413- 019 | No |
| Aspada: In Search of the Right Structure for Impact Investing | Case | Michael Chu; Rachna Tahilyani | 2014 | 9-314- 099 | No |
| Omidar Network: Pioneering Impact Investing | Case | Michael Chu; Lauren Barley | 2013 | 9-313- 090 | No |
| Massachusetts Pay for Success Contract: Reducing Juvenile and Young Adult Recidivism | Case | V. Kasturi Rangan; Lisa Chase | 2013; revised 2015 | 9-514- 061 | No |
| Bridges Ventures | Case | V. Kasturi Rangan; Sarah Appleby | 2013; revised 2014 | 9-514- 001 | Yes |

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| Generation Investment Management | Case | Sandra J. Sucher; Mathew Prebble | 2012 | 9-613- 002 | No |
| Generation Investment Management | Video | Sandra J. Sucher | 2012 | N/A | Yes |
| The Promise of Impact Investing | Background Note | V. Kasturi Rangan and Laura Moon | 2012 | 9-512- 045 | N/A |
| SKS Microfinance | Case | Shawn Cole; Theresa Chen | 2012 | 9-208- 137 | Yes |
| Social Finance Inc | Case | Shawn Cole; Rawia Abdel Samad; Matt Berner; Raluca Dragusanu | 2011; revised 2015 | 9-212- 055 | Yes |
| Aviva Investors | Case | George Serafeim; Robert E. Eccles, Kyle Armbrester | 2011; revised 2015 | 9-112- 047 | Yes |
| Banex and the No Pago Movement (A and B) | Case | Shawn Cole; Baily Blair Kempner | 2011; revised 2013 | 9-211- 092 | Yes |
| Oddo Securities - ESG Integration | Case | George Serafeim; Paul M. Healy; Aldo Sesia | 2011; revised 2013 | 9-111- 085 | No |
| KKR: Leveraging Sustainability | Case | George Serafeim; Robert E Eccles; Tiffany Clay | 2011; revised 2012 | 9-112- 032 | No |
| Root Capital | Case | V. Kasturi Rangan; Katherine Lee | 2009; revised 2011 | 9-510- 035 | Yes |
| Acumen Fund: Measurement in Impact Investing (A and B) | Case | Alnoor Ebrahim; V. Kasturi Rangan | 2009; revised 2011 | 9-310- 011 | Yes |
| Banco Compartamos: Life after the IPO | Case | Michael Chu; Regina Garcia Cuellar | 2008 | 9-308- 094 | Yes |
| Omidyar Tufts Microfinance Fund: Striving to Reshape the Social Enterprise Capital Markets | Case | Michael Chu; Jean Steege Hazell | 2007 | 9-307- 078 | No |