# Welcome!

Social Enterprise Initiative Kick-Off September 2023





Social Enterprise Initiative

# Please sign in







#### Social Enterprise Initiative Kick-off

## **Today's Kick-off**

- Overview of Social Enterprise at HBS
- Ways to connect and engage
- Intro to student clubs
- Connect with each other

## **Three Big Takeaways**

- Never been a more exciting time for the field
- Incredible array of opportunities here at HBS
- Get involved get to know us and each other



#### Social Enterprise Initiative

The HBS Social Enterprise Initiative applies innovative business practices and managerial disciplines to drive sustained, high-impact social change.

It's grounded in the mission of Harvard Business School and aims to educate, support, and inspire leaders across all sectors to tackle society's toughest challenges and make a difference in the world.



#### Social Enterprise Initiative











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#### Getting Involved as an MBA Student

#### **Academics**

- RC courses
- Electives
- Independent Projects

# **MBAs**

#### **Careers**

- Career workshops
- Summer Fellowships
- Leadership Fellows
- Loan Assistance

Social Entrepreneurship

- Student Clubs; SE Conference New Venture
- Rising Leaders Forum

**Community** 

Alumni connections

- New Venture Competition
- Within Academics, Careers



#### SEI Students: All of You

- Pathways: entrepreneurial ventures, for-profit companies focused on social impact, funding organizations, government agencies, nonprofit organizations
- Issue areas: arts, education, economic development, environment, healthcare, human services, international development, and more
- Locations: countries and regions around the world

22%

prior experience

38%

with interest



#### Academics

**Required Curriculum (RC):** Leadership and Corporate Accountability; Social Purpose of the Firm; SE cases + topics across full spectrum of courses

#### **Elective Curriculum (EC)**

#### **CENTRAL FOCUS**

- Business at the Base of the Pyramid
- Data for Impact
- Field Course: Investing for Impact
- Power and Influence for Positive Impact
- Public Entrepreneurship
- Social Entrepreneurship and Systems Change
- Solving Society's Complex Challenges Using a Systems Approach
- Sustainable Investing
- Transforming Education through Social Entrepreneurship

#### **Independent Projects; Course Papers**

#### **RELATED COURSES**

- Changing the World: Life Choices of Influential Leaders
- Cities, Structures, and Climate
- Entrepreneurial Solutions to the World's Problems
- Field Course: Business of the Arts
- Field Course: Scaling Minority Businesses
- Global Climate Change
- Managing the Future of Work
- Purpose-Driven Marketing
- Reimagining Capitalism
- Risks, Opportunities, and Investments in the Era of Climate Change
- The American Dream and US Higher Education
- The Role of Government in Market Economies



#### Careers

**Summer Fellowship Program** 

1,800+







**HBS Leadership Fellows** 

286

since 1982

Leadership Fellows with 97 organizations since 2001



Social Enterprise Loan Repayment Assistance Program

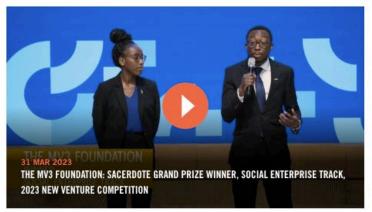
For eligible grads up to 10 years out



#### New Ventures



- Social Enterprise Track includes nonprofit, for-profit, and hybrid business plans
- Explore social entrepreneurship and test ideas for social innovation in a rigorous and supportive environment





- Summer Fellowships
- Elective curriculum
- Independent Projects
- Opportunities at Rock Center for Entrepreneurship, Harvard iLabs, and other parts of Harvard



#### Clubs and Community

Social Enterprise Club
Social Enterprise Conference
Consulting for Impact Club
Education Club
Energy & Environment Club
Future of Work Club











Government & Public Policy Club
HBS Volunteer Corps
Health Care Club
Impact Investing Club & Harbus Foundation
Sustainability Club



#### Rising Leaders for Social Impact Forum

The Rising Leaders Forum is HBS's premier offering for social impact focused students. Through a deep dive, our highest potential change leaders are engaged in reflection, conversations, tools, and networking to help them have impact and lead positive change in the world.

The forum builds a **robust community** that connects students and alumni who share a passion for social impact; and supports success in the **classroom**, navigating the **unique career path**, and **challenges and opportunities of MBAs in social enterprise**.

**Sign up** by 9/15!







#### Chronus Alumni-Student Mentorship Platform



This year, the Business and Environment, Healthcare, and Social Enterprise Initiatives are leveraging an online platform called Chronus to facilitate relationships between students pursuing careers in social impact with alumni working in the field.

Look for an email to sign up in October



# Opportunities for Engagement

FIRST YEAR (RC)	SUMMER	SECOND YEAR (EC)	POST-GRADUATION
Academics  • Leadership and Corporate Accountability  • Social Purpose of the Firm  • Cases across RC courses  Careers	Careers  - SE Summer Fellowship Program - SE Summer Accelerator	Academics  - SE focused and related electives  - Field-based learning and funding via the SE Independent Project program  Careers	Careers  HBS Leadership Fellows  HBS Social Enterprise Loan Repayment Assistance Program  Other HBS loan support programs for graduating MBAs
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# SEI Resources and Updates

#### **SEI Website:**

www.hbs.edu/socialenterprise

## "FYI From SEI" emails

# School-wide communications

- MBA Events Calendar
- myHBS

### Club communication

 weekly newsletters from clubs you sign up for



Welcome to HBSI MBA students with backgrounds in all sectors are encouraged to integrate social enterprise into their academic, professional, and personal lives. As a first-year student with prior experience or interest in social enterprise, we would like to let you know about our September 11th Kick-Off and our Rising Leaders for Social Impact Forum.

# Social Enterprise Kick-Off

Mon, Sept 11, 3:30 - 5:00 pm, Spangler Williams Room Meet fellow classmates and join the Social Enterprise Initiative and leaders of social enterprise related clubs for an overview of co-curricular opportunities

#### **Looking Ahead**

## SEI Career Sessions

- Careers in Social Enterprise: September 20
- Leadership & Innovation in the Public Sector: September 21
- Careers in Impact Investing: September 28
- More to come in October and November

# Kickoffs for Related Initiatives

- Health Care Initiative: September 14
- Rock Center for Entrepreneurship: September 14
- Business & Environment Initiative: September 19

#### Club Leaders

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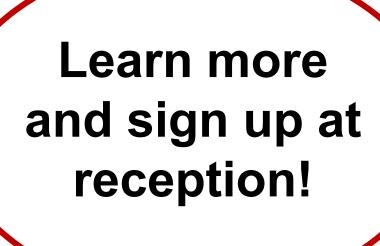
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## Continue to connect





#### Social Enterprise Initiative

# SE Community Conversations

Community is at the heart of social enterprise at HBS!

Connect with a classmate and share your social enterprise interests and questions.

If you have permission and comfort, please send a quick take-away or insight from the conversation (photos are great too!) to se@hbs.edu and we'll be sharing responses throughout the year.

# Thank you!

Please reach out with any questions.

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