Social enterprises are powerful changemakers. They boost economic development, promote social capital and community development, and foster innovation.

Interested in emerging markets? Base of the pyramid? Creating market solutions for social needs?

Georgetown University’s Global Social Enterprise and Development Fellows Program invites students to explore facets of social enterprise, gain skills, and be leaders and change agents.

The innovative, hands-on program is a collaboration between the School of Foreign Service’s Global Human Development Program and the McDonough School of Business’s Global Social Enterprise Initiative. Fellows span both schools and represent many diverse interest areas.

“The fellows get unprecedented access and the privilege of vetting business ideas to seasoned professionals. It opens so many opportunities for participants to be leaders; it’s electrifying.”
— Peter Cook, MSFS ’14

Fellows dive into social enterprise work with 15 credits of coursework, including a gateway course, an intensive collaboration design and development course with external mentors, a real-world practicum, and several experiential learning opportunities.
CURRICULUM

- A 3-credit gateway course, Social Enterprise and Human Development
- 3 elective credits in the partner program — SFS students take two 1.5-credit McDonough electives; McDonough students take one 3-credit SFS elective
- 6 additional credits in qualifying courses
- 1.5-credit Innovation Lab course
- 1.5-credit Global Social Enterprise Practicum
- Develop and participate in workshops, events, and other activities

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

The Fellows Program is open to first-year students in the SFS Global Human Development Program and first-year McDonough MBA students.

APPLY

Apply by September 15.

Interested? Here’s what to submit:
- Resume
- Fall term transcript (MBAs only)
- Statement of interest
- 300-word essay

Accepted fellows will be notified by October 1.

For more details, visit georgetownmcdonough.com/gsed-fellows.

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Our social enterprise concept was designed to empower women in the textile industry in Lesotho, while also providing high quality, fashionable clothing for Western consumers.

Through the fellows program, we were able to pitch this idea to a panel of accomplished professionals who helped us improve its sustainability and scalability.

— Shree Prabhakaran, MBA ’14