

Social Venture and Non-Profit Assistance and Involvement Opportunities

Who We Are

The Polsky Center's mission is to create entrepreneurial leaders through a broad range of experiences, including classroom learning, experiential learning, leading-edge research, and community outreach. Visit ChicagoBooth.edu/entrepreneurship.

Small Business Partnerships and Consulting

Social Entrepreneurship Lab

This lab class offers a valuable opportunity for students interested in starting or working for social ventures. Student teams gain hands-on experience as they undertake market research, marketing strategies, or financial analyses for existing social ventures under the guidance of a professor. The review of potential companies begins in late January (the course is offered in the spring). To qualify for this class, a company must have at least four employees, a physical office location, and a project that entails scaling the venture. For further information or to apply, email Linda.Darragh@ChicagoBooth.edu.

Student Small Business Consulting

The Business Solutions Group is a student club that provides student teams with the opportunity to conduct short-term consulting projects for small businesses. Teams offer assistance in areas such as market research, pricing strategies, and financial analysis. Applications are accepted in the early part of the summer, and projects are undertaken in the fall. For more information, please visit: <http://student.chicagobooth.edu/group/sbcg/>.

Local Optima

This student club is comprised of part-time and weekend students wishing to provide pro bono consulting services to Chicago-based non-profit organizations. Potential projects are reviewed throughout the year, and students will work 4-6 hours per week for 5-10 weeks. Student teams offer assistance in areas such as market research, pricing strategies, financial analysis. For more information, please visit: <http://www.chicagobooth.edu/parttime/groups/philanthropy/index.aspx>.

Net Impact

Net Impact's mission is to support and educate students about socially responsible nonprofit and public management and civic leadership. This club is also part of the national Net Impact organization, a network of leaders committed to using the power of business to positively impact social and environmental issues. Net Impact offers two services to local nonprofits 1) Service Corps, student consulting service for nonprofit organizations; and 2) Board Fellows, where students serve on the Board of Directors of a nonprofit organization and assist in board related tasks. For more information, please visit: <http://student.chicagobooth.edu/group/netimpact/>.

Job Postings

There are a number of resources available to you as you look to source talent. The best way to quickly advertise new positions is to enter them on Chicago Booth's job postings site: www.chicagobooth.edu/jobpostings. Postings are free of charge, archived in our database, and distributed via a daily email to over 7000 alumni and students. As you are seeking just-in-time candidates, Chicago Booth Select Search features current students in our Evening, Weekend, and Executive Program, as well as alumni. [Account creation and access](#) is free of charge, and you will be able to search on both a macro and micro level.