10,000 Women Summary

Background

Goldman Sachs launched *10,000 Women* in March 2008. It is a $100 million, five-year campaign to foster greater shared economic growth by providing 10,000 underserved women around the world with a business and management education. The program is founded on research conducted by Goldman Sachs, the World Bank, and others which suggests this kind of investment can have a significant impact on GDP growth. Research also suggests that such an investment in women can have a significant multiplier effect that leads not only to increased revenues and more employees for businesses, but also healthier, better-educated families, and ultimately more prosperous communities.

Coursework

Students enroll in locally designed certificate programs ranging from five weeks to six months that include courses such as marketing, accounting, market research, writing a business plan, strategic planning, accessing capital, and e-commerce. These programs are culturally appropriate, flexible, and shorter-term. They are intended to help open doors for thousands of women whose financial and practical circumstances would normally prevent them from receiving a traditional business education.

Geographic Reach

Since its inception, *10,000 Women* has become active in 20 countries. These include Afghanistan, Brazil, China, Egypt, India, Rwanda, and the United States.

Student Demand

There has been high interest from students around the world. Admissions rates for students have been comparable to the world's most selective MBA programs. The first class in Brazil had 800 applicants for 80 positions. The first class in Kigali Rwanda saw 600 applicants for just 60 positions. And one of the first classes in China had 1000 applicants for 100 positions.

World Class Partners

10,000 Women is coordinated in local markets by a network of more than 70 academic and NGO partners. More than thirty of the world's leading business schools are participating in *10,000 Women*, including seven of the top ten. Academic partners include: Harvard Business School; the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania; Fundação Getulio Vargas Escola de Administração de Empresas; University of Oxford, Saïd Business School; the Indian School of Business; and Tsinghua University of School of Economics and Management. Other partners include Ashoka, Vital Voices; and the International Center for Research on Women.

The People of Goldman Sachs

After work or on the weekends, our people are contributing their time and expertise to *10,000 Women* through mentoring, serving on student selection committees, and guest lecturing.

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Academic Partners

- American University of Afghanistan, Afghanistan
- American University of Beirut, Lebanon
- American University in Cairo, Egypt
- Asian University for Women
- Brown University, USA
- Columbia Business School, USA
- Cuttington University, Liberia
- Fundação Dom Cabral, Brazil
- Fundação Getulio Vargas Escola de Administração de Empresas de Sao Paulo, Brazil
- Georgetown University/U.S. - Afghan Women's Council, USA
- The Global Health Leadership Institute at Yale University, USA
- Harvard Business School, USA
- HEC Paris, France
- IE Business School, Spain
- IESE Business School, Spain
- Indian School of Business, India
- INSEAD, France and Singapore
- Keio University Graduate School of Media Design, Japan
- London Business School
- Mills College, USA
- Ozyegin University Center for Entrepreneurship, Turkey
- Pan –African University, Nigeria
- Pontificia Universidade Católica, Brazil
- School of Finance and Banking, Rwanda
- Stanford Graduate School of Business, USA
- Strathmore University, Kenya
- Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico
- Thunderbird School of Global Management, USA
- Tsinghua University School of Economics and Management, China
- United States International University, Kenya
- Universidad del Pacifico, Peru
- Universidad del Valle de Guatemala
- Universidad Techológica de Panama
- University of Asia and the Pacific, Philippines
- University of Cambridge, represented by Judge Business School and the Cambridge Assessment Group, UK
- University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business, South Africa
- University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
- University of Johannesburg, South Africa
- University of Oxford, Saïd Business School, UK
- William Davidson Institute at the University of Michigan, USA
- The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, USA
- Zhejiang University Global Entrepreneurship Research Centre and School of Management, China

Development and Non-Profit Partners

- Acumen Fund
- Africa America Institute
- AMIDEAST
- Ashoka
- Aspen Institute – ANDE
- Camfed International
- CARE
- Case Foundation
- Center for Creative Leadership
- Center for Global Development
- CHF International
- Endeavor
- Global Business School Network
- Global Health Corps
- Hispanic Scholarship Fund
- Institute of International Education
- Inter-American Development Bank
- International Center for Research on Women
- LASPAU: Academic and Professional Programs for the Americas
- Mibanco
- National Entrepreneurship Network
- Opportunity International
- Overseas Private Investment Corporation
- Room to Read
- TechnoServe
- United Negro College Fund
- Vital Voices Global Partnership
- Women for Women International
- Women's World Banking
- World Bank