FOSTER MBA
Club Brochure 2020-2021
How to join an MBAA club

Step 1: Attend the club fair on September 15th from 12pm-1:45pm in Anthony’s forum.

Step 2: Visit www.uwfostermbaa.com

Step 3: Add MBAA 2-year membership to cart
  ● **Note**: Only MBAA members can join clubs or attend club events.

Step 4: Add your desired club memberships to cart.
  ● **Note**: Club fee amounts and length of membership are determined by individual club leaders.

Step 5: Check-out & pay for club memberships
The MBA Association at the Foster School of Business is your gateway to experiencing life outside of the classroom. As a member, you will have a chance to take part in student-run events and activities, and make use of the countless resources that are funded and made available by the MBAA. MBAA membership is REQUIRED in order to join any of the student clubs.

**MBAA Events**

**2020-2021 Planned**

- Foster Forums
- Alumni TG Celebration
- Frosters and Fosters
- Club Review Introduction Events

For more club info, go to [www.uwfostermmbaa.com](http://www.uwfostermmbaa.com)
Challenge for Charity (C4C) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that draws on the talents, energy, and passion of MBA students from 8 West Coast business schools to volunteer and raise money for local charities. Our core charities at Foster are the Special Olympics of Washington, The Boys & Girls Club of King County, and the University District Food Bank. The purpose of the organization is to develop business leaders with a lifelong commitment to community involvement and social responsibility. Each year culminates with a fun weekend of competition and celebration at Stanford. Foster has won back to back titles!

**Club Events**

2020 – 2021

- Program-Wide Days of Service
- 5k Fun Run
- Charity Auction
- Polar Plunge
- Sports Weekend at Stanford
- Monthly Activities w. Professors

**Club Dues:** Free! We only ask for your blood, sweat, and tears.

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The Foster Consulting Society (FCS) is a student organization for Foster MBA students. With ~150 active members it is the largest MBA club at Foster. The FCS offers its members 3 distinct value propositions: Educating students on the consulting sector, preparing them for consulting interviews and providing students with networking opportunities with leaders from various consulting firms.

**Club Events**

2020 - 2021 Planned

- Case Interview Prep Curriculum
- Firm Informationals Events
- Company Sponsored Case Competitions
- Alumni Networking Events
- Happy Hours with the Firms
- Winter Social

**Club Dues:** $100 - 1 year, $160 - 2 years

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Foster Creative’s mission is to inspire creativity and strengthen connections in the Foster community through storytelling, professional development, and fun creative-themed events. Whether you’re looking for a place to build the creative skills that will set you apart professionally, attend inspiring community events that will offer you the opportunity to connect more deeply with your classmates, or just jam out with the MBA band, we are the club for you!

**Club Events**

**2020 – 2021 Planned**

How do we help you unleash your creativity and build connections? Here are some of the things we do together:

- **Foster Connects** - As Foster’s premiere storytelling platform, Foster Connects offers a safe space for underrepresented voices in business to share their journey.
- **Workshops and Speakers** - Through workshops and speaker events focused on topics like design thinking, Foster Creative aims to equip Foster MBAs with the creative skills they need to excel in their careers.
- **Other creative events** - Foster Idol (the Foster talent show), book club, museum visits, karaoke night, wellness events, and other fun outings are also staples of Foster Creative. Plus we run the MBA party band *Mind the GAAP*!

**Club Dues:** $20-1 year, $35-2 years | uwfostermbaa.com/creative

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Diversity in Business

The Foster Diversity in Business club (DiBs) is a space to embrace the range and depth of individuals in the Foster MBA program. We host events, workshops, and initiatives that celebrate traditional and non-traditional diversity identifiers (gender, race, nationality, ability, faith, etc) and encourage diversity of thought, perspectives, and ideas. We encourage everyone to join and are excited to learn from and about your what makes you, you!

Club Events
2020 – 2021 Planned
- Mentorship between 1st and 2nd year DiBs students - There will be opportunity to have direct support from DiBs board and members.
- Fall kick-off social to connect with the board and 2nd year members and learn about upcoming diversity conferences.
- End of quarter celebrations!
- Diversity and Inclusion panel discussions co-hosted with other clubs
- Professional development opportunities.

Club Dues: Free!
The Foster Finance Society is a club for students interested in the world of finance and pursuing a career in the field. We add value to our members through networking opportunities, student and alumni panels, corporate guest speakers, company visits, and interview preparation.

**Club Events**

*2020-2021 Planned*

- Annual stock pitch competition: Finance Society members compete in a stock pitch competition in front of investment professionals in the Pacific Northwest at an iconic Seattle location
- Fall alumni social: Enjoy great conversation and continue building your network with alumni, professors, and current students
- Internship Panel: Listen to internship experiences in Investment banking, Private Equity, Venture Capital, Investment Management, and Corporate Finance

**Club Dues:** $70 - 1 year, $125 - 2 years
Foster Veterans Association

The FVA has 3 goals: (1) To help student-veterans leverage their unique experiences to transition into meaningful careers. (2) To partner with other affinity clubs to promote diversity in a unified effort and (3) To strengthen the veteran network at Foster and the broader school and business communities.

Club Events
2020 – 2021 Planned

- Welcome BBQ during Fall Qtr
- FVA’s weekly lunch (allies included!) every Thursday at Big Time Brewery
- MBA Veterans Conference Prep - Virtual Conference is Oct 6-9
- Experience Foster: Veterans - prospective student visit mid-Nov
- Company Visits - We toured Amazon and Starbucks last year
- Salute to Service MBA Huddle
- EHALA - Ceremony in honor of Edward Hung in May 2021

Club Dues: Free -- You don’t need to be a veteran to join the FVA - EVERYONE is welcome to join.
The Global Business Association enhances the Foster MBA community’s collective understanding of global perspectives, global business and global cultures. We empower the community by providing opportunities to support students with global backgrounds in traversing the US job market, by supporting our program’s cultural diversity through celebrations and awareness activities and enhancing students’ knowledge and awareness of global business.

**Club Events**
**2020-2021 Planned**

- Global Citizen series: Career Mentoring series
- “Doing Business in” series: Learn from fellow Foster students about the cultural and business practices in their home country
- Cultural Celebrations, including Diwali, Holi and Lunar New Year
- International Trivia Night: Student teams compete with a team of Professors and show off their knowledge of international facts
- International Movie Night: Enjoy a foreign movie and understand cultural nuances

**Club Dues:** $20 – 1 year, $35 – 2 years, $50 – 3 years
Being an MBA student gives you the ability to participate in broader University of Washington events and build school spirit. MBA Huddle enables both of these, while also providing an opportunity to network with current and past Foster students from all MBA programs, and meet their family, friends, children and fur babies. Huddle is typically the first chance for first years to meet returning students in a casual and spirited environment. Additionally, Huddle will be hosting the ever popular Whistler Trip at the end of fall quarter as a way to wind down after the first term of the year.

**Club Events**
2020 – 2021 Planned
- 7 UW Football Home Game Tailgates
- 1 UW Football Away Game "Tailgates"
- 1 UW Basketball Game Tailgates & 1 UW Baseball Game Tailgate
- Tailgate = Unlimited Food and Drink Socializing before sporting events to build community, unity, and excitement around UW athletics
- Whistler Trip
- Seattle Mariners Game, Looking into Seattle Sounders game

**Club Dues:** $80 - 1 year
Level Up! Interactive Entertainment

The Level Up! Interactive Entertainment Association bridges the gap between MBAs and the thriving gaming industry. Our mission includes the following:

- Education about how MBAs add value in the gaming industry
- Connect students with firms in the Greater Seattle region
- Build community through game nights and online engagement

Our vision is to establish the UW Foster MBA program as a regional and national leader for game business talent.

**Club Events**
2020 – 2021 Planned

- Speaker Series - Amazon Game Studios, Microsoft Game Studios, Mojang
- Treks to Local Game Development Companies in Seattle - Valve
- Field Studies to work on real games including Minecraft & Halo
- Quarterly Game Nights - Virtual Game Sessions (D&D, Jackbox Games, Catan)

**Club Dues:** $25 - 1 year, $40 – 2 years
Net Impact is a national organization that mobilizes new generations to use their skills and careers to drive transformational social and environmental change. As a chapter of the organization, our club connects Foster students to a local and national network of impact-oriented graduate students and professionals. Our events serve to not only educate the wider Foster community on business issues related to society and the environment, but we also help Foster students pursue careers in social impact and environmental sustainability, by providing the resources to develop the skills and knowledge necessary to address relevant business problems.

**Club Events**

2020 – 2021 Planned

- “What is Impact?” Happy Hour
- Careers in Sustainability Info Session
- IdeaLab 2020 (10th Anniversary)
- Service Corps (Spring consulting projects with local non-profits)
- Industry specific panels and events

**Club Dues:** $50 - 1 year, $80 – 2 years
The goal of the Leadership and Management Society (LMS) is to provide Foster MBA students with opportunities to strengthen their leadership skills, learn about people operations and company culture, and gain tools for pursuing leadership development programs and HR career paths. Although the MBA core curriculum covers leadership at a high level, we aim to deliver students with programming that builds on our core management coursework with tactical skill-building workshops and opportunities to gain in-depth insight into the people operations at real companies.

**Club Events**
2019 - 2020 Planned

- **F*Up Nights** - space to share lessons learned the hard way, featuring special guests
- **Leadership Skills Training Series**
- **Seattle Company Visits**
- **LDP and HR Internship Panel**
- **Inclusive Leadership Workshops**

**Club Dues:** $20 – 1 year
Out in Business positions all Foster MBA students to be leaders of LGBTQ+ inclusion in business. We operate with a threefold mission: Firstly, to create community for LGBTQ+ students and active/aspiring allies. Secondly, to engage and educate through workshops and events that offer diverse perspectives on inclusivity and examine the experience of both being and leading LGBTQ+ folks in the workplace. Thirdly, to connect and collaborate with the wider LGBTQ+ business community in Seattle and beyond.

**Club Events**
2020-2021 Planned

- Reaching Out MBA Conference (October 8-10)
- Ally Training Series
- International Ally Training
- Inter-Grad Program LGBTQ+ Happy Hour
- Valentine’s Day event

**Club Dues:** Free! Sign up at the Club Fair!

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Women in Business

Building Community ♦ Professional Networking ♦ Unpacking Gender Dynamics

Our mission is to support the personal and professional development of Foster women MBA students by creating opportunities for women to grow into leadership positions and increase their visibility in the classroom, the workplace, and the community. We encourage our members and everyone at Foster to engage in behaviors, activities and dialogue that foster a welcoming environment where women MBA students can thrive.

Club Events

2020 – 2021 Planned

- **UWiB + Alumni network mentorship program**: Mentor undergraduate women, become a mentee in our extensive alumni network
- **Personal development workshops**: Negotiations, Financial Planning, Executive Presence
- **Community building activities**: WiBsgiving, Community Breakfasts, Professor Lunches, Group Volunteer Activities
- **2nd Annual Spring Gala**: raising scholarship funds with our alumni network

Club Dues: $75 – 1 year, $125 - Lifetime
Every year between 40-70% of Foster MBA graduates join the technology industry. Our mission is to create an engaging community to empower all Foster MBAs and to promote the education and success of our members within the technology industry. We collaborate with the local tech community, students and alumni with tech industry experience, and the greater UW community to provide our members with tech-related educational, networking, and growth opportunities. We intend to be a diverse community that drives meaningful impact for Foster, the PNW region, and the tech industry via strategic partnerships and contribution.

**Club Events**

2020 – 2021 Planned
- Tech Club 2020-2021 Kickoff Party
- Quarterly Alumni Appreciation Mixers
- Bay Area Trek
- Biweekly Speaker Series
- Workshop Series
- Greater Seattle Area Company Visits
- Immersive Tech Events: Hackathon, Diversity in Tech Event, Case Competition
- Recruiting Workshops (Resume, Cover Letters, Interview Prep)

**Club Dues:** $45 – 1 year, $80 – 2 years
Operations

Operations is the backbone of business, though it has different meanings in different industries. This has become more apparent than ever as companies respond to disruptions to central operations and global supply chains caused by the current CoVID crisis. The Operations Club prepares students for diverse career pathways in operations management and exposes students to real life applications of operations practices through tours of prominent local organizations including Amazon, Starbucks, Nintendo, Theo Chocolate, Boeing and more.

Club Events
2020-2021 Planned

- **Fall Quarter**: Fall events introduce students to the field of operations and provide resources for personal professional development.
- **Winter Quarter**: Winter events feature introductions to industry leaders.
- **Spring Quarter**: Witness operations in action in spring quarter through interactive tours of local organizations.

**Club Dues**: $20 / 2 years

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Our mission is to prepare Foster MBA students for careers in the outdoor and sports industries by providing opportunities to engage and interact with industry professionals and by establishing the value of an MBA to stakeholders in the industry.

**Club Events**
2020 – 2021 Planned

- Strategy and Sustainability in the Outdoor Industry
- Diversity in the Outdoors Panel
- Outdoor Retailer Networking Trip
- Leadership and Decision Making in High Risk Situations
- Hikes and Happy Hour
- Outdoor and Sports Industry Treks: Seattle and Portland
- Women Leadership in the Outdoor Industry
- Hiking and Climbing Series

**Club Dues:** $55 – 1 year, $80 – 2 years
Healthcare and Biotech Association

The Foster Healthcare and Biotech Association's mission is to grow future impactful healthcare leaders by becoming the go-to resource for healthcare. Our vision is to widen the scope of club to address and include all determinants of health (ie. physical, emotional, mental, spiritual, social). Finally, we hope to change the perception of healthcare within Foster to be more approachable so that those who are curious, interested, and passionate about healthcare can come together.

**Club Events**

2020 – 2021 Planned

- Product Management in Healthcare
- Gates Foundation Tour
- Operations in Healthcare
- Investing in Healthcare
- Wellness Events
- ...and more company tours (Philips, PATH, Fred Hutch, Startups)

**Club Dues:** $25 - 1 year for Full-time, $20 - 1 year for Evening MBA

President

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Are you intrigued by the idea of starting a company? Or being a leader of an early-stage company? Are you interested in becoming an investor of early stage companies (now or in the future)?

We are the primary access point for Foster MBA students to the Entrepreneurship and Venture Capital ecosystems.

What do I pay for?

Many of our events (especially those that include external guests) are limited in capacity or entirely exclusive to members. Being a paid member of the club give you priority access to all events. With some of the lowest fees in the MBAA we promise to put your dollars to work!

**Club Dues:** $20 for 1 year; $35 for 2 years

**Club Events**

2020 – 2021 Planned

- “Business Case in 60 Seconds” Pitch Competition
- Start-up Weekend - build a company with peers on the fly
- Venture Capital relationships (Venture Fellowship Program)
- On-campus Founder Networking Events for Healthcare, Sports Tech, Renewable Energy, and Cybersecurity
- Club member-only events to build pitch skills and entrepreneurship network within Foster

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Our mission is to enhance understanding of business strategy within Foster.

We aim to:
1. Expose Foster students to the strategy that is shaping the business world
2. Gain an understanding of developments in the business world
3. Dissect the strategies of the companies that we recruit for (MSFT, AMZ)
4. Support Foster students in exploring career paths in Strategy

**Club Events**

2020 – 2021 Planned

- Introduction to Strategy (Faculty/Guest Speaker)
- Company Deep Dives (Microsoft, Amazon, etc. - Company Executives)
- Industry Deep Dives (Faculty & Industry Experts)
- Introduction to Careers in Strategy
- Turnaround Strategy Panel (Faculty & Industry Experts)
- Joint social & educational events with other Foster clubs

**Club Dues:** $20 – 1 year, $35 – 2 years

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The mission of the Foster Marketing Association (FMA) is to be the most valuable resource for students interested in the marketing industry. We do this by: Connecting students with each other, professors, alumni, and marketing professionals. Preparing students through exposure to current marketing trends and best practices with speaker events, company visits, and student-led discussions as well as advocating for continual curriculum improvements. Inspiring students and generating excitement about the field of Marketing.
The Foster Business & Policy Group is the non-partisan forum for Foster MBA students to engage in the critical connections between business, government, policy, and politics. We provide opportunities to examine current events, contextualize the MBA classroom within local, national and international politics, and explore careers related to government affairs and public service. And we have a lot of fun while doing so!

**Club Events**

*2020-2021 Planned*

- US Politics 101: crash course for international and domestic students who need a refresher on how it all works
- US Politics 102: The Electoral College and Presidential Elections
- Presidential debate and election watch parties
- Monthly politics happy hours
- Washington, DC trek in May 2021
- ...and more!

**Club Dues:** $20 - 1 year, $30 - 2 years