

About Educate!

Educate! develops young leaders and entrepreneurs in Uganda by providing two years of world class leadership and social entrepreneurship training, long-term mentorship, and access to capital to help youth turn their ideas into real solutions to poverty, disease, and environmental degradation. Educate!'s model is exponential empowerment – a long term investment in a few who will go on to impact many others. These youth are the next Nelson Mandela, Wangari Maathai and Mahatma Gandhi of Africa.

Milestones

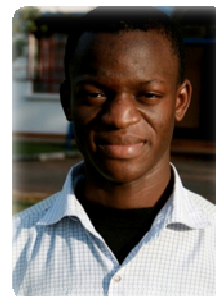
- Educate! currently **empowers 1,400 youth** who have started **284 enterprises**, **created over 50 jobs** and **impacted over 17,500 lives**.
- In October 2010, the government of Uganda and the UN's International Labour Organisation asked Educate! to incorporate its social entrepreneurship curriculum into the national education system. It will reach **45,000 students per year** and be the first national social entrepreneurship curriculum in the world.
- 2009: Major recognition and support received from **Echoing Green**, **Ashoka's Changemakers Award** from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, the Pan-African Award for Entrepreneurship in Education, and **Entrepreneur Magazine's 100 Companies to Watch of 2009**
- Educate!'s model is being used by over **30 organizations in 10 countries**

Examples of Ventures Started by Educate! Youth



Lillian Aero provides income and counseling to 36 women affected by HIV/AIDS through a fair trade jewelry enterprise.

George William Bakka started a microfinance organization, Angel Financial Investments, to provide capital to youth led enterprises.



Scholars in Hoima, Uganda mobilized their community to **plant 20,000 tree seedlings** to defend against deforestation.



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