Thanks, Jack, for your support, and congratulations on the 2023 senior survey, you had the most votes in both the top faculty member who influenced the senior class as well as the top course! Very cool! **Kevin Oye, Executive Director, the Gordon Institute**

In retrospect, the entrepreneurial marketing class was perhaps the most practical course I’ve ever taken thus far. Being involved as a marketing consultant for a real firm gave me valuable hands-on experience as to what I could expect and use in the real world. Karma-Team Barrett fall 2023. Marketing ENT105 is one of the most valuable courses I have taken at Tufts. While I joined the course with minimal inbound marketing experience, I am now confident in my worth as a marketing consultant. After graduation, I am open to exploring opportunities in both marketing and consulting. **Kinsey Ellis**

I wanted to say thank you for such a great semester! I know it's not over yet, but it has been such a great learning experience and I have certainly grown a lot throughout the process. I have loved getting to know my teammates, Barrett guys, and of course the entire class.  **Hannah Cox**

As I reflect on this Thanksgiving season, I wanted to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude for your guidance and support. Your unwavering care for your students have made a profound impact on my academic journey. I am deeply thankful for everything you have done for me. I am truly grateful for your support. I am also immensely grateful for your kindness and encouragement. Your willingness to go the extra mile to assist students has been truly invaluable. **Allen Chacko Nelson,**

First and foremost, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Professor [Jack Derby](https://www.linkedin.com/in/ACoAAAAA3pgBD2TwQCYOielSUq1uvmISEp-o3vI) for his unwavering mentorship and guidance throughout my academic journey at Tufts University and the [Derby Entrepreneurship Center at Tufts University (DEC)](https://www.linkedin.com/company/derbyentrepreneurshipcenter/). **Amanda Ganz**

Hi Jack, I wanted to follow up with you directly with some more details on the closing of our company. As my trusted and long term teacher, friend, and investor, I wanted to give you as much information as possible. Your input as an investor and your relationship with me has always been incredibly important! Your leap of faith allowed us to do incredible work. I hope you take the time to read through the attached impact report and know that hundreds of thousands of students were positively impacted by our work.  On a personal note, you changed my life in the most positive and profound way. **Sarah Lockwood**

I wanted to thank you for your support during my job process and let you know that I have found a job! I am officially working as an Assistant Product Manager at a start-up called Mimedia. Mimedia is a B2B2C consumer cloud platform that stores all types of media, but primarily photos and videos. I am so excited both about the company and my position there and am using all of the skills I have gained from time at Tufts. You have always been so supportive of my job search process; the advice you have given me has been invaluable. I wouldn’t have gotten the job at Vend if it weren’t for you and that job allowed me to experience and get excited about the start-up world. I look forward to keeping in touch and hope to be able to repay the favor to you and your students in the future. **Nina Houston**

Thanks for reaching out and checking in. I just started my second year of medical school. It’s going well so far. Definitely challenging and life-consuming haha! But that’s what I signed up for. That is so generous that you’d offer your time. I know how busy you are. I can’t think of anything at the moment. However, when I do have to “sell” myself to residencies during my 4th year applications, I would love any help on my presentation skills, if you still have time at that point. But I assure you I’m still using your lessons today! So you’ve helped more than I could ever ask, even now. I hope you’re doing well! Thank you again for being not only a great professor, but a great mentor for a lifetime.  **Tamas Takata**

Jack, as another year comes to a close, I'm filled with gratitude that we've stayed connected all these years. Your counsel and encouragement have been instrumental at some of my big life turning points over the last decade. Having the opportunity to come back and speak to your students has been an unexpected blessing. I look forward to it each semester.

As always–thank you for everything. Wishing you a peaceful, productive, and *connected(!)* new year **Zach Merchant**