

The BEC is the University of Michigan's front door, connecting companies with students and faculty for mutually beneficial partnerships.

**We are here to:**

Facilitate projects with industry

Assist in the development of Master Research Agreements

Secure industry letters of support for government proposals

Provide industry connections to recruiting, student projects, courses, teams and events

Identify strategic corporate philanthropy opportunities



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We hold

1,100

corporate meetings annually

We engage with

1,200+

companies

We work with

30

community partners



**\$200 MILLION IN RESEARCH AWARDS FROM INDUSTRY**



**\$37.5 MILLION IN CORPORATE PHILANTHROPY**

**FY18 CORPORATE SUPPORT:**

**\$3,000,000**

to establish the Toyota Professorship in Artificial Intelligence and establish young faculty funding

**\$2,600,000**

from Agilent for LSA faculty lab funding and equipment

**\$1,500,000**

from the Dow Chemical Foundation for programming through the School of Education for the Andrew N. Liveris Institute

**NEW MASTER RESEARCH AGREEMENTS**

with United Technologies, Facebook and Google

**\$5.4M**

**STUDENT SUPPORT**

**12.8%**

**EXTERNALLY SPONSORED RESEARCH FROM INDUSTRY**

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**REQUESTS FROM NEW COMPANIES**



**WE COLLABORATE WITH ALL 19 U-M SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES, IN ADDITION TO THE DEARBORN AND FLINT CAMPUSES**

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