This course is an exciting opportunity for students from any UNH college to learn about and gain the tools, skills needed to become part of the powerful and growing global movement of social entrepreneurs. While traditional entrepreneurship focuses more on wealth creation for the individual entrepreneur, Social Entrepreneurship is about harnessing the tools, techniques and approaches of entrepreneurial business and using them not only for personal financial gain, but also to help address some of the world’s most pressing social and environmental issues, such as poverty, hunger and climate change. Through a wide range of outside guest speakers, videos, readings, in class exercises and limited lectures, this course will help you understand more about some of the world’s most pressing social and environmental issues, and the entrepreneurial ideas, process, steps, and strategies required for creating new social ventures that can make significant and lasting impact on these issues. This class is very much focused on “learning by doing” and is designed for students from any UNH college, encouraging students from different disciplines and backgrounds to work together. Prior business classwork is not a pre-requisite! This course will also provide a valuable way for students to prepare to enter the 2015 Social Venture Innovation Challenge (to be held in November 2015) and/or the Holloway Prize Competition Social Venture Track (to be held in the spring semester of 2016). These competitions offer substantial cash and in-kind prizes, as well as the chance to connect with expert mentors and advisors from the community.

Feedback from past students:
- “This class was one of the most influential experiences I have had at UNH. It has opened my eyes to a whole new side of business and really inspired me to get out in the world and do something great.”
- “Best class I have ever taken. Such an important topic that needs to be taught every semester. Fiona is extremely passionate and make students feel the same way.”
- “Honestly the best class I have ever taken. Now I know what I want to do. Fiona is one of the best professors I have ever met and one of the most inspiring people I have ever met.”
- “This was an amazing class – arguably one of the best classes I’ve taken at UNH. Fiona is so helpful and such a wealth of information. I am inspired!”