

## **Brandon F. Shamim**

**Brandon F. Shamim** has a multi-faceted career spanning over 25 years in business, government and education. Having managed his own business advisory practice for over two decades, he served with the U.S. Department of Commerce and formerly worked in public affairs for a Fortune 100.

Brandon is a proven collaborator who has led efforts in social innovation and entrepreneurship, organizational leadership and development, branding and marketing and issue advocacy for national, state and local corporations, government agencies, hospitals, nonprofits and colleges and universities.

Active in civic affairs and community service, he has served on the board of advisors/directors for LA Chamber of Commerce, Habit for Humanity, KCET-TV, Pasadena Child Health Foundation, Asian American Dispute Resolution Center, is a graduate of Pasadena Citizen's Police Academy, as well as founder of NEXUS Forums, a civic education organization. His efforts have earned him over 18 commendations from congressional, state and local elected officials as well as recognition as a "Forward Thinker" from CA Forward.

As a graduate of both USC and the University of La Verne, Brandon is currently a lecturer in the Graduate School of Psychology and Education at Pepperdine University and for the nationally recognized Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Business Program.

As an East Coast transplant who was inspired by the Rose Parade® and Rose Bowl Game®, Brandon and his family have lived in Southern California for over 30 years.