

David Rashid T'02

Prior to graduating from Tuck, job opportunities were scarce so David Rashid decided to try something completely different. Always looking for adventure and a way to inject spice in to life, he decided to go to Mexico to start up operations for a publicly listed Canadian Tier I manufacturing business that had big plans for growth.



Rashid began by conducting due diligence on a light manufacturing business that had recently emerged from bankruptcy. They eventually bought the business from a private equity firm, Cerberus, and he began the process of working with the team in place to decentralize the operation. After 2 years he moved into the role of General Manager. A couple of years later, he was asked to assist in the start up of a heavy stamping and assembly facility and eventually took on the dual role of Group General Manager. Finally, early in 2009 Rashid led the due diligence on a troubled competitor and eventually integrated a third plant into his group of plants for which he is responsible.

Today, Rashid's role is to build the business plan for Martinrea's Mexican group of businesses; sales, business process development, team building and acquisitions are all part of his day-to-day activities.

In his experience before Tuck, he worked in the field of small business private equity. Rashid received his BA (Honors) from Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario and CFA designation in 1998.