

University of Illinois Innovation & Entrepreneurship Ecosystem

INTERNAL PARTNERS



EXTERNAL PARTNERS



INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP ECOSYSTEM PARTNERS, RESOURCES, & PROGRAMS

Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research & Innovation (OVCRI)

ENTERPRISEWORKS

- AWARE seed grants & mentoring
- Designer-in-Residence Program
- Entrepreneur-in-Residence Program
- Entrepreneurship Workshops
- FAST Center SBIR & STTR Assistance
- Incubator labs, offices, & maker space
- I-Start Accelerator Program

RESEARCH PARK

- AgTech Innovation Summit
- Catalyze: Networking Event
- Company Internships
- Corporate Startup Intros
- Corporate Innovation Centers
- CU Women in Tech
- Entrepreneurship Workshops
- Illinois Reboot Tech Training
- Recruitment Services
- Workforce Development

Illinois Ventures

- Venture Capital & Seed Funding for tech startups from the University of Illinois System
- Evergreen Fund

Office of Technology Management

- Disclosure & Licensing Information
- Illinois Proof of Concept Program (IPOC)

Carle Illinois College of Medicine

- Health Make-A-Thon
- Health Maker Lab

Siebel Center for Design (SCD)

- Assessment & Research Lab
- Design Thinking Courses
- SCD Scholars & Fellows
- Workshops
- The Shop: Maker Lab

Grainger College of Engineering

TECHNOLOGY ENTREPRENEUR CENTER (TEC)

- Alchemy Technology Foundry
- Cozad New Venture Challenge
- Entrepreneurship Courses, Certificates, & Advising
- Illinois Innovation Award (IIA)
- Innovation, Leadership, & Engineering Entrepreneurship (ILEE) BS Dual Degree
- Innovation Living-Learning Community (TEC & University Housing)
- Intellectual Property Clinic (TEC & College of Law)
- NSF I-Corps
- Silicon Valley Entrepreneurship Workshop
- SocialFuse
- Startup City Scholars (TEC & Grainger Engineering)

HEALTH CARE ENGINEERING SYSTEMS CENTER (HCESC)

- Jump ARCHES (HCESC & OSF Healthcare, University of Illinois College of Medicine - Peoria)

OTHER

- Office of the Associate Dean for Innovation & Entrepreneurship
- City Scholars & Startup City Scholars (Grainger, UIC, DPI, UChicago, Polsky)
- ECE Open Lab (ECE)
- IDEA Lab: Innovation, Discovery, Design, & Data Lab (Grainger Engineering Library)
- Mottier Innovation Challenge (ISE)

Gies College of Business

ORIGIN VENTURES ACADEMY FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL LEADERSHIP (OVAEL)

- iVenture Accelerator
- Illinois Social Innovation
- EntreCORPS
- Entrepreneurs Without Borders

OTHER

- Strategic Business Development & Entrepreneurship Major
- Entrepreneurship Courses
- Illinois Maker Lab

Student Organizations

AXISMED

- Healthcare Innovation Pre-incubator

CUBE CONSULTING

- Business, Engineering, & Design Consulting

ENTRECORPS (Gies)

- Startup Consulting

FOUNDERS: ILLINOIS ENTREPRENEURS

- Student Startup Programs

ILLINOIS ENACTUS

- Social Entrepreneurship Projects

OTCR CONSULTING

- Business Consulting

ZERO2ONE

- Student Startup Programs

Other Internal Partners & Programs

BRAND HUB: HUB FOR BRAND INNOVATION & ADVERTISING TECHNOLOGY (Sandage Dept. of Advertising, SCD, & Technology Services)

- Professional Online Certificates & Professional Development
- Workshops & Seminars

CANCER CENTER AT ILLINOIS

CARLE R. WOESE INSTITUTE FOR GENOMIC BIOLOGY (IGB)

- Kleinmuntz Center

NATIONAL CENTER FOR SUPERCOMPUTING APPLICATIONS (NCSA)

- Fiddler Innovation Fellowship

UNIVERSITY HOUSING

- Innovation Living-Learning Community (TEC & University Housing)

OTHER

- CU Community Fab Lab
- Innovation Expo (TEC, Founders, Innovation LLC)

External Partners & Programs

URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

- Champaign County Economic Development Corporation
- Champaign-Urbana CEO Roundtable (Research Park, Urbana-Champaign)
- Illinois Ag Tech Accelerator (gener8tor, Serra Ventures, Research Park)
- Innovation Celebration (Champaign County Economic Development Corp., TEC, & Parkland College)
- Pygmalion Tech Festival

CHICAGO

- Chicago Innovation Exchange (CIE) & Illinois Partnership
- Chicago Quantum Exchange (CQE)
- City Scholars & Startup City Scholars (Grainger Engineering, UIC, DPI, UChicago, Polsky)
- Discovery Partners Institute (DPI)
- Duality Quantum Accelerator (CQE, Grainger Engineering, UChicago, Polsky)
- ThinkChicago (City of Chicago, World Business Chicago, UI System, TEC, City Colleges of Chicago)
- Polsky Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation at UChicago
- University of Illinois - Chicago (UIC)

NATIONAL & REGIONAL

- Discovery Accelerator Institute (IBM & Grainger Engineering)
- Engineering Innovation Leadership Council (NSF, EILC & Grainger Engineering)
- Entrepreneurship Living-Learning Community Roundtable (ELLC & TEC)
- Illinois Innovation Network
- Illinois University Incubator Network
- Jump ARCHES (HCESC & OSF Healthcare, University of Illinois College of Medicine - Peoria)
- Kern Entrepreneurial Engineering Network (KEEN & Grainger Engineering)
- Mayo Clinic & Illinois Alliance
- Midwest Engineering Entrepreneurship Network (MEEN & TEC)
- NSF I-Corps