Innovation Center for Entrepreneurship

Vision - To support a University campus where entrepreneurial spirit thrives throughout the community and across disciplines, converting ideas into capital.

Mission - To unleash the potential of the Michigan Tech community to innovate, develop, and implement ideas and inventions by building and maintaining a strong and integrated ecosystem with a cohesive set of entrepreneurial and innovation resources to enable success.

ICE Resources

- The Alley Makerspace - students have access to 3D printing, woodworking, electronics, crafting, and more
- ICE House - theme-based residential student housing designed to promote innovation and entrepreneurship through collaboration
- Business Model & Pitch Development - network of faculty and staff to help develop a winning pitch and business model
- Design-Thinking Workshops - over 30 faculty and staff trained in design thinking processes
- I-Corps Lean Lauchpad Training - provides infrastructure, advice, resources, networking opportunities, training, and modest funding to enable teams to transition their idea into the marketplace
- University Innovation Fellows - a global movement to ensure that all students gain the necessary attitudes, skills, and knowledge to compete in the economy of the future
- Entrepreneurship Mentorship and Support - for starting your business or bringing your innovation to market

ICE Highlights

- 1st in Michigan for invention and technology licenses per $ of research
- 1.7 times the national average for licenses per $ of research
- 2.0 times the national average for startups per $ of research
- Michigan Tech graduates represent the 6th highest share of inventors per student based on patents filed and issued in the United States
- Endowed professorship of Technological Innovation in Health
- Over $500k in external funding in support of innovation and entrepreneurial mindset education development
- Over $4.3M in follow-on funding for 140 students, faculty and staff trained in lean start-up methodology through the NSF Funded I-Corps Site Lean Launchpad Business Model Development Program
- Over $100K in I&E competition prize funding for student teams in local, regional, and statewide business competitions since establishment of ICE

Contact Us

Have a great idea? Want to learn more about how to start a new business? Interested in hosting a design-thinking or lean start-up workshop? We can help! Stop by the Innovation Center for Entrepreneurship located in 722 of the M&M building or contact:

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