

Entrepreneurial Resources for Engineering Students

Organizations:

- UMass Innovation Institute (<http://umii.umass.edu/>): Moving research outcomes from the UMass labs into society.
- UMass Technology Transfer Office (<http://www.umass.edu/tto/>): Licensing and patenting technology developed by graduate students and help and direction for undergrads wishing to patent ideas.
- UMass Entrepreneurship Club (<https://www.isenberg.umass.edu/people/umass-entrepreneurship-club>): Students sharing ways to start companies and make money!
- Berthiaume Center for Entrepreneurship in the Isenberg School of Management (<https://www.isenberg.umass.edu/centers/berthiaume-center-for-entrepreneurship>): Courses and programs on Entrepreneurship and Business.
- Valley Venture Mentors (<http://www.valleyventurementors.org>): A local organization that helps entrepreneurs - several programs for aiding startups.
- National Science Foundation Innovation Corps (NSF I-Corps): Programs and activities for researchers and engineers to extend focus beyond the laboratory - programs and grants (http://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/i-corps/index.jsp)

Places & Events:

- M5 Maker Space for ECE Undergrads - Markus Hall, Room 5 (<http://www.ecs.umass.edu/ece/m5/aboutus.html>)
- UMass Innovation Challenge (<http://www.umass.edu/innovation/>): Pitch your idea and you could get some money for it!

Books & Articles:

- “Why the Lean Startup Changes Everything” by Steve Blank in the Harvard Business Review - a good overview of the tools and methods for startups now. (<https://hbr.org/2013/05/why-the-lean-start-up-changes-everything>)
- “The Startup Owner’s Manual” by Steve Blank and Bob Dorf (<http://www.bobdorf.co/book.html>) (<http://steveblank.com>)
- Bunches and bunches of tools for entrepreneurs: <http://steveblank.com/tools-and-blogs-for-entrepreneurs/#startup-tools>
- Business Model Canvas: http://sworg.s3.amazonaws.com/01_attendee-resources/business_model_canvas_poster.pdf