



Entrepreneurship Students visit an Angel Investment Group

ENTREPRENEURSHIP: A TOP-RANKED PROGRAM

John Carroll University's entrepreneurship program is ranked in the top 25 best undergraduate programs in the nation by U.S. News and World Report. The program is grounded in the University's values-based Jesuit education, which emphasizes critical thinking, ethics, global issues, reflection, and service to others.

While academic programs in entrepreneurship were once exclusively business-focused, John Carroll looks at entrepreneurship as a way of thinking and developing an entrepreneurial mindset, with a focus on teaching students to recognize opportunities in both for-profit and nonprofit organizations.

INTERDISCIPLINARY ENTREPRENEURSHIP MINOR

The entrepreneurship minor is designed to support all majors. Currently, half of the students in the minor are in the College of Arts and Sciences and the other half are in the Boler School of Business.

The entrepreneurship minor combines the best of idea development, creativity, and entrepreneurship, culminating in an internship or the development of a complete plan for an enterprise.

Our program opens doors for students who gain entrepreneurship skills and knowledge from our business

and liberal arts faculty, and through hands-on experience with "real life" entrepreneurs, members of the John Carroll Entrepreneur Association, who volunteer to coach our students. The Entrepreneurs Association, housed in the Muldoon Center for Entrepreneurship, is a group of professionals, 80% of whom are principal shareholders of a private company that is at least five years old with at least \$1 million annual revenues.

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Co-Curricular Opportunities for Students

ENTREPRENEURSHIP MINOR CLUB: NETWORKING AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Registering as an entrepreneurship minor provides students with many benefits, including free networking tools and opportunities. Upon registration, students are automatically granted access into the entrepreneurship minor club, which offers students free idea workshops, opportunities to collaborate with business owners and like-minded students, and professionally printed business cards. Involvement in the minor also exposes students to Entrepreneurship Association members looking for qualified and innovative student interns.

SPEAKERS SERIES

Interested in hearing the stories of entrepreneurs from around the country? Ever wonder how successful business ventures got their big start? As an entrepreneurship minor students receive entrance into a free speaker series highlighting the exciting and unique stories of entrepreneurs. This past year Jeff Hoffman, founder of PriceLine.com; Ed Crawford, president of Park Ohio; and Robert Gunn, president of Gunn Financials, were part of the series.

THE STUDENT HATCHERY

Located in the Muldoon Center, the Hatchery offers students a unique opportunity to bring their idea to fruition. The student Hatchery is a designated workspace where students are mentored by experienced business owners. John Carroll is one of only six Hatcheries in the United States.

EEC IMMERSION WEEK

John Carroll is a founding member of the Entrepreneurship Education Consortium (EEC), an organization of 11 Northeast Ohio colleges and universities with entrepreneurship centers. Each August, John Carroll selects five students to participate in



Speakers Series

EEC Immersion Week. The program is an idea competition among EEC schools. In the summer of 2014 John Carroll brought home a first place victory from the event.

IDEALAB

ideaLabs is an EEC program that encourages students to develop their ideas, which are presented to a panel of entrepreneurs. The winners of the JCU ideaLab receive a \$1,000 prize and advance to the final round of competition against winners from 10 other Northeast Ohio schools for a \$5,000 prize.

SOPER PRIZE

Each fall, the Muldoon Center sponsors a prize in Social Entrepreneurship, named in honor of John C. Soper, Ph.D., holder of the Kahl Chair from 2006 to 2011. All current John Carroll students - any class year, any major - are invited to participate. There is a \$1,000 prize for the successful idea.



Tree-Shirts • Winners of The Soper Prize



Matt Sokol • Winner of Idea Lab