

JIM MORAN SCHOOL OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP

#### **Postdoctoral Symposium**

How to be your own boss: Establishing a Startup Wendy Plant, Director, Center for Student Engagement, Jim Moran School of Entrepreneurship



### Should you start a company?

- It depends!
- Do you have an idea that solves a problem or meets a need that someone would pay you for?

## What are some needs? <u>http://needshub-140121.appspot.com/</u>

 Check with FSU's Office of Commercialization's IP handbook and guidelines (<u>https://www.research.fsu.edu/research-offices/oc/</u>)



### Should you start a company?

- How do you know if anyone would want your solution?
  - Ask them!
- Use the Business Model Canvas to decide if you should move forward with your idea. – Validate your assumptions!





By Business Model Alchemist - <u>http://www.businessmodelalchemist.com/tools</u>, CC BY-SA 1.0, https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=11892574



# Who can help if you want to start a company?

• It depends!



### If you're classified as a student

- Jim Moran School of Entrepreneurship
  - InNOLEvation <sup>®</sup> Center
  - InNOLEvation <sup>®</sup> Challenge
  - JM Micro Grants up to \$5,000
  - E-clinic consulting services by appointment or walk-in
  - Entrepreneurship classes minor or non-degree seeking
  - Speaker events and seminars
- FSU Research Librarians Trip Wyckoff
- Plus resources on the next slide...

(<u>http://business.fsu.edu/academics/programs/entrepreneurs</u> <u>hip/students/cse</u>)



### If you're classified as a visiting professor

- Domi Station (<u>http://www.domistation.com/</u>)
  - Get Started Cohort
  - Coworking space, networking, mentoring
- Florida Institute for Commercialization of Public Research (<u>http://www.florida-institute.com/</u>)
  - Help with commercialization and finding funding
  - Florida Patent Pro Bono Program
- Small Business Development Center (<u>http://www.sbdcfamu.org/</u>)
  - Workshops and counseling



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LCRDA – Leon County R & D Authority

(http://innovation-park.com/)

- Innovation Park
- Entrepreneurial Excellence Program (EEP)
- TechGrants \$25,000
- BigBendBiz.com Resources from the Alliance of Entrepreneur Resource Organizations (AERO)

(http://bigbendbiz.com/)

- Jim Moran School of Entrepreneurship non-degree seeking classes in entrepreneurship, community seminars and speaker events
- Startup Weekend Tallahassee Nov. 4 6 at TCC (<u>http://www.up.co/communities/usa/tallahassee/startup-weekend/9304</u>)

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7 Under 30 An event featuring 7 successful FSU entrepreneurs who started businesses before the age of 30

Tuesday, November 15 3:30PM Augustus B. Turnbull III Florida State Conference Center **Room 208** A reception will follow

FSU: The Entrepreneurial University In celebration of Entrepreneurship Month, come hear Florida State alumni entrepreneurs share their success stories and experiences starting and growing their businesses.





**Kerrie Hileman** The White Magnolia **Bridal Collection** Owner

Sohail Merchant Lipid Nanotech Chief Business Officer



**CEO** and Founder



Larry Weru





**Troy Sultan** Resource Co-founder and CEO

Amanda Spann Alchomy App Founder **Tiphub Africa** Co-founder



**Daren Hoffman** Spectrum Interactive Founder Guava Records Founder and CEO

NO CHARGE TO ATTEND. FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, VISIT BUSINESS.FSU.EDU/7UNDER30





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