Innovation & Entrepreneurship @ PSU
One Faculty Member’s Perspective

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Academic Leadership Forum
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Observation #1
Innovation can come from anywhere
Funded! This project successfully raised its funding goal on July 18.

139 backers
$11,355 pledged of $10,000 goal
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Project by
Clipboard+
State College, PA
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Website: http://clipboard-plus.com
Students in engineering, business, architecture, and IST helped make Evive Station a reality
Evive Station has refilled 1,000,000 water bottles
Observation #2
Innovation can’t flourish in a silo
Are you a budding entrepreneur? Join Us for the 2015 Penn State Idea Pitch Competition presented by SMEAL College of Business &

Learn more: http://ideapitch.smeal.psu.edu

Important Dates:
Young Closet for team formation: 09/14/15
Deadline for pitch video & team formation: 09/21/15

Open to all students at all PSU campuses! Interested but don’t have an invention of the century? Don’t worry! Just an exciting idea.

Post your resume, form a team (2-5 members), learn how to pitch your idea, get real feedback and win

#ISTstartup
April 13-17 ist.psu.edu/startup

MNE Innovation Competition
Hey MNE Students! Have a great idea? Need some seed money?

We’re giving away $10,000 to support MNE* Innovation Teams!
200+ capstone design projects per year

70% are multidisciplinary

30% are with entrepreneurs, start-ups, and small firms
Observation #3
The University can’t do it alone
Faculty and students must connect locally for ideas to root, take shape, and flourish
For us to truly drive innovation, we must...

Encourage and invest in innovation at all levels of the university

Support the “boundary spanners” working across our silos

Reach out and partner with our local innovation ecosystem
We connect entrepreneurs with the best resources to help their business grow.

Events

There are many entrepreneur-related events occurring daily throughout the region. This calendar serves as a central resource for finding and staying up to date on all of the events that are relevant to you as you develop your business. Events range from networking and professional development opportunities to workshops and seminars focused on learning specific skills.

If you wish to submit an event to this calendar, please use this form.

September 2015

The First Step of Starting a Business
Hosted By: Penn State Small Business Development Center (SBDC)
Categories: Getting Started
Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Location: 200 Innovation Blvd, State College, PA • Map

Have you always had a dream to start your own business but didn't know where to start? This workshop will help aspiring entrepreneurs to begin the process of successful business ownership, including evaluating business ideas, developing a business plan, and exploring financing options. Learn from a business consultant about: lifestyle requirements of business owners how to assess the feasibility of your business idea the legal and tax implications of owning a business how to develop a business plan how to compile a bank-ready financial package now to market your product or service the health and safety regulations that may apply to your business why both a marketing and financial plan are needed where to find other resources that may help you succeed more info...