

#### SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

# SIL RESEARCH PARK

#### **Advancing Innovation & Entrepreneurship**

- Our mission is to enhance growth and build prosperity in the region through entrepreneurship, innovation, and community engagement.
- Expand the foundation for an entrepreneurial and collaborative culture
- Support the translation of University ideas into innovation
- Create an environment for innovation to flourish
- Coordinate and deliver programs and services in the region

#### **Research Park Footprint**



#### **Tenants and Graduates**

175 leases written since first building completed in 1990

100+ businesses graduated from program

120+ owners, managers, and employees currently

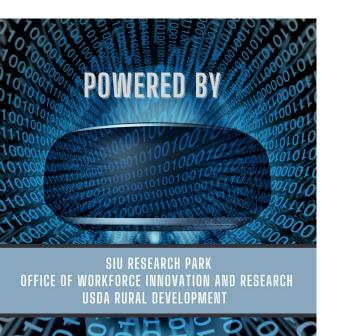
Most graduates have stayed in Carbondale or the region



# XRDA—Extended Reality Development Academy

- \* Eight stations including computer, software, Oculus headsets
- \* Treadmill and motion chair
- \* Focus on small business opportunities, job skills, and

integration into training and educational activities







#### **SBIR Catalyst**



## CATALYST TO DATE

- National I-Corps Program Team
  - USDA Award Energy Storage Technology
- 2 NSF Full Proposal Invitations
  - 1 submitted/1 in progress
- 1 DoD Proposal in progress
- 1 EPA Proposal in progress
- 2 NSF Project Pitch in progress
- 1 USDA Non-SBIR in progress
- 2 Regional I-Corps teams (FA22)
- Building on Southern Illinois progress started by Growth Accelerator Fund Competition
- Continuing to raise awareness and capacity building in Western KY and West TN



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### SITUTION ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY INNOVATION AND **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**





#### **SBDC Overview**

- Assist
   entrepreneurs
   starting or growing
   businesses
- No-cost for clients
- Confidential
- Low-to-no cost training



#### **SBDC Services - Business Plans**



- Guide for setting up and managing a business
- Supports loan requests
- Make mistakes on paper

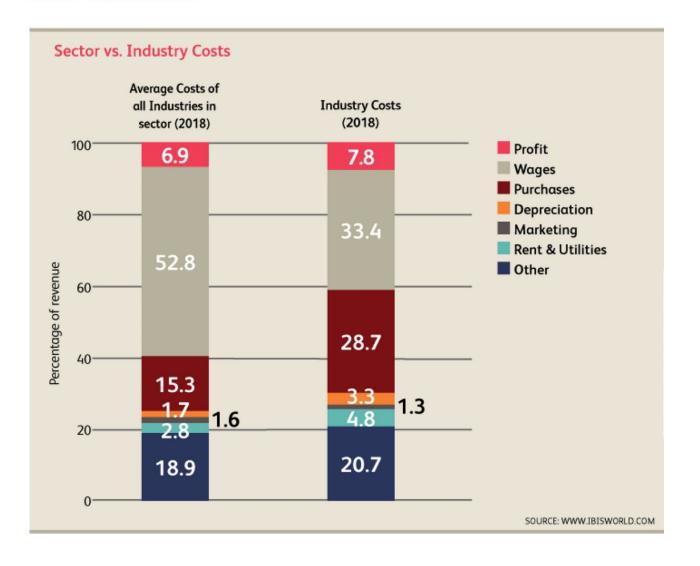
#### **SBDC Services - Financing**

- Helping obtain funding
- Practicing investor pitches
- Working with financial institutions
- Preparing for meeting with financial institutions



#### **SBDC Services - Financial Analysis**

#### Cost Structure



Check how a business is doing compared to others in the same industry.

\$92.6bn
Profit
\$7.2bn

5.8%
Wages
\$30.9bn

1.6%
Businesses
510,816

#### **SBDC Services - Market Research**

- Customer discovery
- Researching demographics and market potential
- Finding relevant marketing channels
- Evaluating need and feasibility



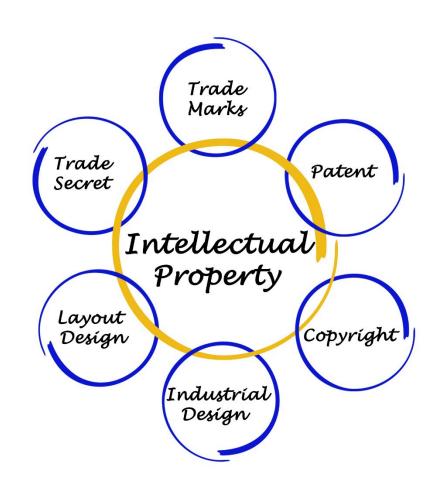
#### **SBDC Services - Marketing Assistance**



- Website audit
- Social media guidance
- Search engine optimization

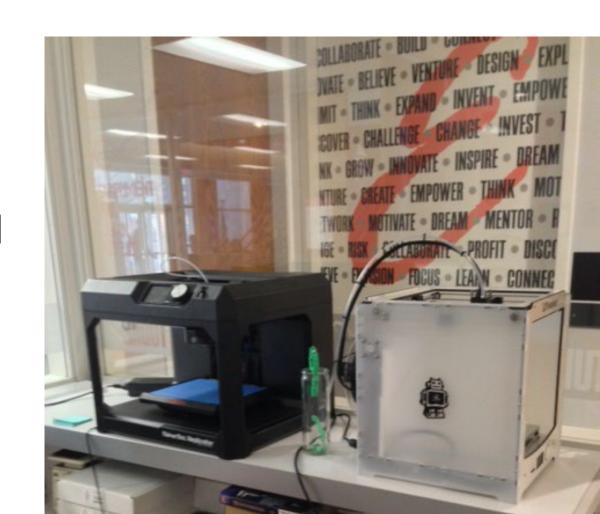
#### **SBDC Services - Intellectual Property Assistance**

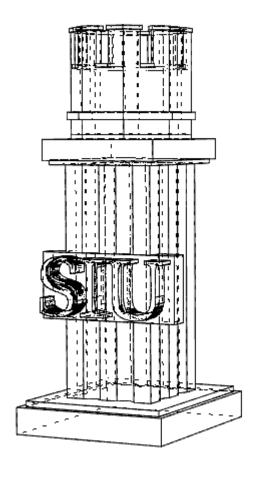
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  - Registered ®
  - Common Law ™
- Patents
  - Utility
  - Design
- Copyrights
  - Registered ©
  - Common Law ©

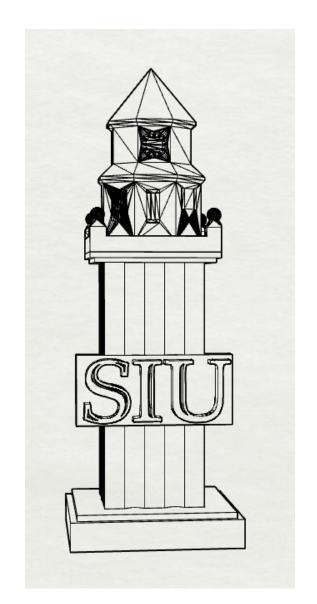


#### **SBDC Services - Technology and Innovation**

- 3D prototyping and product development
- Proof of concept
- Guidance on protecting intellectual property
- Exploratory patent research









#### **SBDC Services - Workshops**

- Boots to Business
- Starting Your Business in Illinois
- Profit Mastery
- Social Media Marketing
- Launch Your Business



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#### **PTAC - Services**

Federal, state and local governments spend more than \$800 billion annually.

- Determining suitability for government contracting
- Understanding the language and basics of contracting
- Researching and identifying government agencies that are looking for client's products and services
- Securing necessary federal, state, and local government registrations



#### **PTAC - Services**

- Assistance in applying for small business certification programs including:
  - 8(a)
  - HUBZone
  - Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)
  - Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)
  - Women Business Enterprise (WBE)
- Assisting with preparing competitive bid proposals

#### SBDC/PTAC Impacts - 2021

- Advising 657 clients
- Providing 3,206 hours of consulting
- Helping 11 entrepreneurs create new businesses
- Assisting 5 business expand
- Helping create 33 new jobs and retain 155 jobs
- Loans and investments totaling \$6,641,975
- Held 48 business workshops, training 622 participants

# IMEC

#### Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center

IMEC works with organizations to become more effective and efficient.



Assist with critical business improvements in the areas of Leadership, Strategy, Customer Engagement, Operations, and Workforce.

#### **Expertise Across Illinois**

50 full-time staff and partners assist more than 750 companies each year with successful improvement and innovation projects.

















#### **IMEC Impacts**

#### 2021 Client-Reported Impacts









Average New and Retained Sales per destinated



Average Cost Seeings per classifymans

\$450,502,048



Aggregate impact to the Illinois Economy



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# SIU BUSINESS INCUBATOR

#### **Small Business Incubator**

Business support for start-ups

Proving ground for university research "spin-outs"

Landing place for businesses with special needs (new market, product development, or scientific lab space)

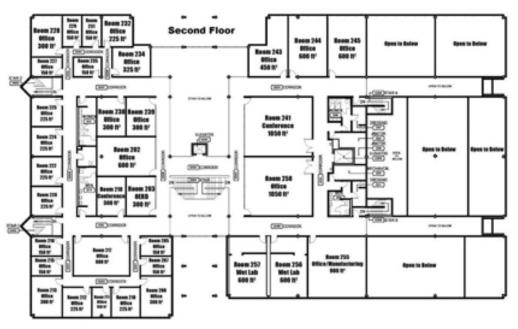


#### **Incubator Space**

Flexible Space
Internet and Telecomm
Shared Services
Conference Space







#### **Incubator Space**

**Laboratory Space** Saluki Innovation Lab **Affiliate Office Space Student Incubator** (Saluki Ventures) **Light Manufacturing** Office Space Ranging in Size from 150 to 1050 ft<sup>2</sup>



#### **Incubator Tenant: Beaded Distribution**

- Based on Dippin' Dots Technology Frozen coffee, cocktails, whey
- Principal is Curt Jones, SIU Alumnus & Dippin' Dots founder/inventor
- Market research activities College of Business
- Student internships and employment



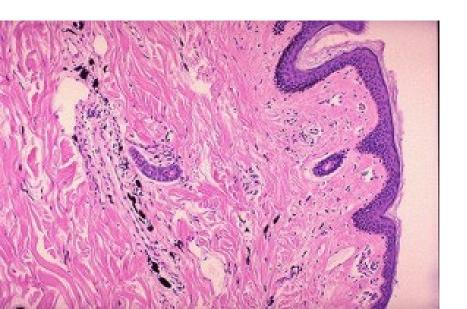




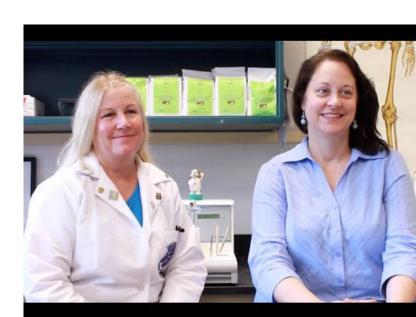


#### **Incubator Tenant: Saffron Scientific**

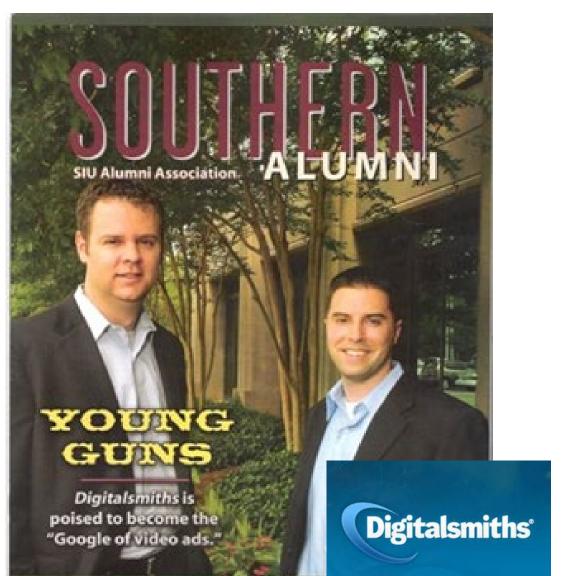
- Provides histology services research, veterinary, physician, hospital, and surgery center clients
- Animal, human and plants tissues from medical or research sources are grossed, fixed, processed, embedded, sectioned, and stained
- Principals are former SIU employees







#### **Incubator Tenant: Success Story**



Ben Weinberger started Digitalsmiths from a dorm room at Thompson Point in 1998.

Digitalsmiths was developed around the idea of contextual advertising (using algorithms to link relevant advertising content in videos).

Acquired by Rovi Corporation (TiVo) for \$135 million in 2014.

#### **Meet-up Space**

Place for entrepreneurs to meet to discuss business and make connections



#### Innova\*ship

Innova\*Ship is a program with focus on commercializing innovative ideas, technologies and research.

#### 4-week training class

- Developing your idea
- Raising investment
- Defining the market
- Testing the business model
- Building the team
- Protecting your idea
- Pitching the idea



#### 4-WEEK TRAINING INCLUDES:

- DEVELOPING YOUR IDEA
- IDENTIFYING FUNDING AND INVESTORS (WITH EMPHASIS ON SBIR/STTR GRANT FUNDING)
- DEFINING YOUR TARGET MARKET/MARKET RESEARCH
- TESTING YOUR BUSINESS MODEL
- ENTERING AND CAPTURING THE MARKET
- PLANNING FOR FINANCIAL SUCCESS
- BUILDING YOUR TEAM
- INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
- IDEA PITCH DEVELOPMENT

STARTS THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2020
VIRTUAL SESSIONS WEEKLY FROM 12 - 1:30 P.M.
(ADDITIONAL SESSIONS ON TUESDAYS, JUNE 30 AND JULY 21)

OPEN TO SIU FACULTY, STAFF, STUDENTS, AND ENTREPRENEURS OR 'WANTREPRENEURS' THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO APPLY,
VISIT RESEARCHPARK.SIU.EDU



#### **Operation Mousetrap**

SIUC faculty, staff & students learn about commercializing their research and innovative technologies

12-week class held once per week Entrance into program by invitation

Workshops and discussions include:
Marketing research and analysis
Identifying funding sources
Legally protecting businesses
Intellectual property
Defining the target market

Testing business concepts, etc.



### **Operation Mousetrap Graduate**

# **Thermaquatica**

University spin-out – Bio-mass liquification CTO and founder is Ken Anderson — Geology and Advanced Energy Institute Director







### **Experts in Residence**

Experienced professionals work with faculty, alumni and high-potential community businesses to provide intensive mentorship and support.

#### Examples of EIR involvement includes:

- Refine business models and strategies
- Develop branding and marketing tactics
- Prototype and product development
- Protect and commercialize technologies
- Evaluate vital funding needs
- Assemble the ultimate team
- Complete technology assessments
- Conduct market assessments

### Regional High School CEO Programs

- Promote regional activities with Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Randolph, Saline, and Union counties.





### HackSI

The hackers get 24 hours to come up with their idea, build a working prototype and then present it to a room full of geeks that actually understand what they have built.





# SALUKI ENTREPRENEUR CORPS

### Saluki Entrepreneur Corps

SIU chapter of the Collegiate Entrepreneur Organization RSO connecting innovative, entrepreneurial-minded students?

#### WHAT CAN MEMBERS EXPECT TO GAIN?

- Learn from successful entrepreneurs
- Collaborate with other student entrepreneurs
- Gain real-world, innovation and entrepreneurship experience
- Compete in SIU's elevator pitch contest and represent SIU at the national competition each October



#### **\$3000 IN PRIZES**

INCLUDING A TRIP TO THE CEO GLOBAL **CONFERENCE IN TAMPA, FLORIDA** 

**VISIT INCUBATOR.SIU.EDU FOR MORE INFO** 

**HOSTED AT SIU'S DUNN-RICHMOND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER** 1740 INNOVATION DRIVE, CARBONDALE, IL 62903

#### **WORKSHOPS:**

TRAINING: SEP. 10 & 12 @ 5:00 P.M. **MOCK PITCHES:** SEP. 17 & 19 @ 5:00 P.M.



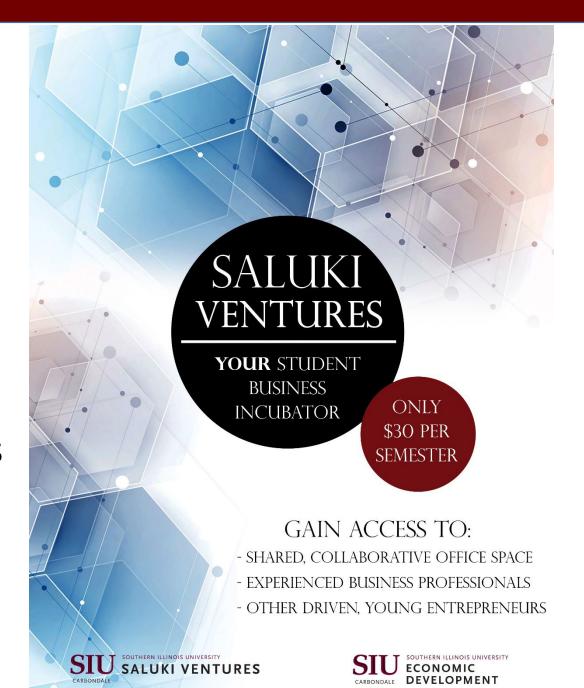






Support system for a dynamic, engaged, and creative class of student innovators and entrepreneurs.

Work alongside like-minded peers and build relationships with people that will help accelerate their business.



## iFERM Hub @McLafferty

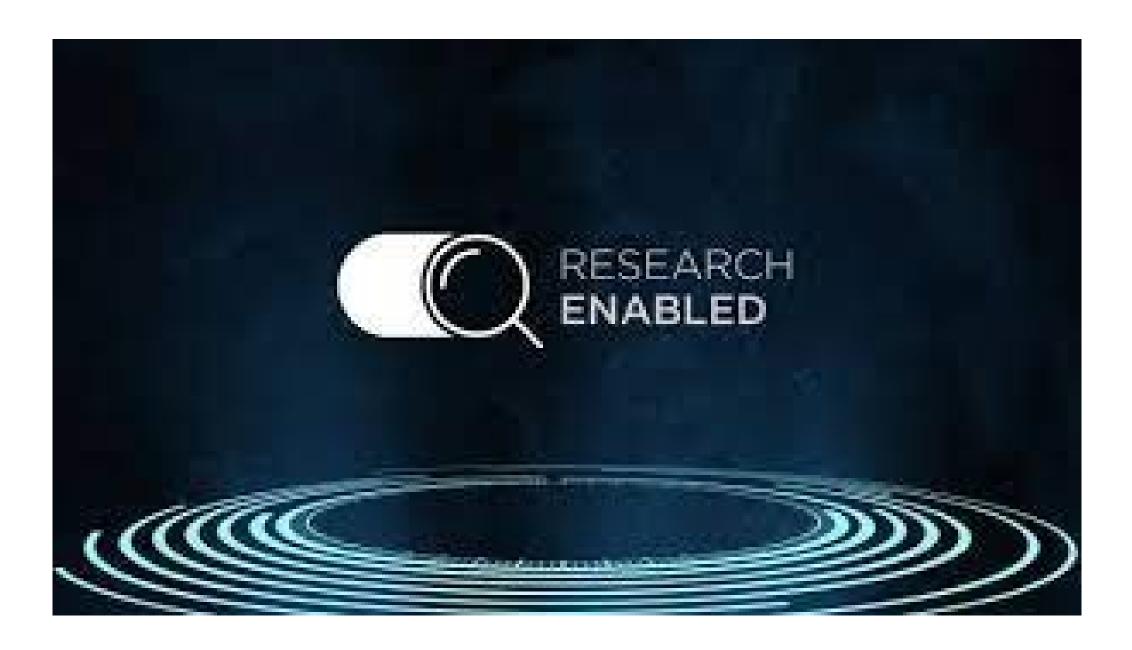


# iFERM Hub



### iFERM Hub

- Solving food, nutrition, agriculture, and health challenges through transdisciplinary research, innovation, and education.
- Enhancing and supporting businesses and producers with unique economic development opportunities; increasing public health by supporting and creating new and emerging value-added healthful food and medicinal products; and providing job training for those new and emerging workforce opportunities.
- The iFERM Hub will facilitate new economic and entrepreneurial opportunities, research, and development in value-added products, including food, beverage, and biotechnology.



### **Research Enabled**

- University of Missouri System (4 campuses) and Southern Illinois University (3 campuses) funded by the
- Addresses technical, business, and other research needs of industry and organizations
- Easy to use portal that captures faculty/researcher expertise and interests
- Industry can review who's in the portal or post a specific opportunity
- Standardized service agreements



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