IP ADVISING, PROTECTION & LICENSING

Learn about the Mary Gates Innovation Scholars program

The CaloMotion Mary Gates Innovation Scholars program funds full-time summer internships in faculty-led startup initiatives, helping UW researchers further advance their innovations. Applications for summer 2023 are now open. Read about the 2019 scholars here.

New Express Licensing and Technology Search website

We've recently updated our online UW licensing platform. This platform makes online shopping of university-developed technologies easy and secure. Search Express Licenses to find products such as software, image rights, courses, and more with online licenses ready to go. Or search through the Available Technologies to see what new and exciting innovations are available through license negotiations.

INNOVATION TRAINING

Video of "Five Ways to Attract Early Adopters"

Last month, we held the third training in our Fundamentals of Technology Commercialization series which focused on how to build your team, funding, and launch strategies. It featured CIO's Kim Meyer and Laura Conrey. View the video here.

"How to Build a Deep Enterprise Software Company as a Technical Founder"

Timothy Chen, currently SVP of Engineering at Tendereant, discussed mistakes founders often make and how to navigate them, and shared his journey as a founder, investor, and mentor. View the video here. Check out our events calendar for upcoming "Fundamentals for Startups."

Our next training, open to UW faculty, grad students and staff, is called "License & Takeoff!"
April 8, 2023, Fluor Hall, 3:00pm - 4:30pm

RSVP FOR LICENSE & TAKEOFF

FUNDING & PARTNERSHIPS

WE-REACH: Fostering a growing community of biomedical innovators

The Washington Entrepreneurial Research Evaluation and Commercialization Hub (WE-REACH) is a public-private partnership designed to facilitate and accelerate the transformation of regional health research innovations into market-ready products and services that impact health outcomes. Learn more about CaloMotion supported WE-REACH.
BECU Fintech Incubator competition

BECU partnered last year with CoMotion to launch the BECU Fintech Incubator at CoMotion Labs. For the second time since the launch of the partnership, a competition will be held to identify fintech startups with promising technologies. Winners receive sponsored seats and membership in the BECU Fintech Incubator for one year, including training, mentorship, and networking. Deadline to apply is March 20th. Learn more and apply today.

STARTUPS & INCUBATION

Wibotica partners to test converting ocean waves into electricity

Wibotica, a CoMotion-supported U.W. spinoff, created the wireless power transfer system that takes power made by ocean waves and transfers it to underwater equipment in need of electricity. They are part of a team of researchers and scientists partnering with the U.S. Navy at the Wave Energy Test Site in Hawaii with the goal of creating ocean energy to power oceanographic instrumentation and more. Learn more about this project in the University of Washington Magazine.

Meet CoMotion Labs member Chimeracyte

CoMotion Labs @ Fluke Hall startup, Chimeracyte, is featured this month in our Meet A CoMotion Lab Member series. This biotech startup's technology monitors chimerism and helps detect relapse in leukemia patients. Learn more about Chimeracyte.

NEWS

UW spinoffs and CoMotion-supported startups make headlines

- Medial-e-list: Making medicine accessible. Read more on UW College of Engineering News.
- 4 Seattle Tech Trends and Startup Sectors to Watch in 2023. Read more on the University of Washington.
- Alkemist Nurox and his research group at the University of Washington; first of its kind Hydrogel Platform Enables On Demand Production of Medicines and Chemicals. Read more on the University of Texas at Austin website.
- NW 2023: New UW center to match biomedical discoveries with resources to help bring products to market. Read more on the BioWire.

EVENTS

Nearly all CoMotion events are free and open to everyone. Feed inspired to pursue a great idea? Want to meet other entrepreneurs? Join us!

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TOP TEN WAYS TO SCREW UP YOUR STARTUP

Andy Ribetens, partner at Fennick and West LLP, shares the many ways to screw up the foundation of a startup—many of which are irreversible and painful. Come hear Andy discuss the Top Ten Ways to Screw Up Your Startup, so you can avoid these predictable pitfalls.

Fundamentals for Startups, room at Fluke Hall Ideas Lab, 3rd floor.

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TACO TUESDAY

Join CoMotion for lunch and the opportunity to connect with the brightest minds of the Seattle entrepreneurial community. Taco Tuesday only comes around once a month, so don’t miss out on an opportunity to enjoy tacos while getting to know the startups in our area. Sponsored by UPS.

 Noon to 1pm at Fluke Hall, 3rd floor.

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MY $100M. FIRST-TIME FOUNDER/RIC EDUATION

Dan Cordingley, a serial entrepreneur and mentor to technology companies, and co-founder of Taradat, shares what he learned as a first-time founder and CEO. Including the challenges of nailed product-market fit, finding the right business model, evolving the go to market strategy, executing a major pivot, developing a high performance team, successful fundraising and managing a board of directors.

Fundamentals for Startups, room at Fluke Hall Ideas Lab, 3rd floor.

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SALES 101 FOR EARLY STAGE COMPANIES

Gauri Shaker, a sales professional who has led companies in enterprise software, media and telecom for transformative growth and has been investing in companies for the last seven years, discusses the fundamentals of sales for early stage startups. These include how to build a foundation for sales process, developing a sales operation, and measuring metrics.

Fundamentals for Startups, room at Fluke Hall Ideas Lab, 3rd floor.
Marketing and International business consultants available through Foster School of Business

Do you know of a local startup looking to expand globally, or in need of marketing consultation? Work with University of Washington business students from the Foster School of Business – you provide the real-world experience and they'll provide analysis and strategic solutions. Apply for a consultant to help with your Go-to-Market strategy or Apply for international business consulting.

MEET A COMOTION MENTOR

JESSICA URBAN

Jessica Urban is a mentor with UVI CoMotion, specializing in medical devices and consumer products. She has over 20 years of experience in product development including management and contributing roles in Business Development, Program Management, Quality Systems and engineering. Jessica spent most of her career in engineering consulting firms and has collaborated with many different clients from startups to multi-nationals on products including catheter systems, interventional tools, drug delivery devices, point-of-care diagnostics, consumer health platforms, mobile apps, monitoring devices, consumer electronics and many more. Today, Jessica helps startup medical device companies identify and execute the most appropriate and efficient product development path that reduces time to market. Jessica is also currently working as an early stage UVI Sciences startup as Program Manager. Find Jessica on LinkedIn.

JOIN THE JOURNEY

Our CoMotion team guides UVI entrepreneurs along the journey from idea to impact.

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