



Workshop on Commercialization of UMBC Inventions “Opportunities and Options for Starting a Company”

Date: Friday, January 24, 2014

Location: bwtech@UMBC Life Sciences Incubator, 1450 South Rolling Rd.

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This workshop will describe the resources available for commercialization of inventions by UMBC researchers. UMBC has a process in place to help -- starting with the submission of invention disclosures and patent applications, to the licensing of the patent or to the development of a start-up company. UMBC faculty will discuss their experiences in commercializing ideas and in obtaining funding for their enterprises.

Who Should Attend? Faculty, graduate students or postdoctoral researchers who:

- Have an idea or invention that may be the basis for a company;
- Are interested in learning the next steps after an invention is made; or
- Want to learn the funding options and resources to support the commercialization process.

Agenda Overview

8:00 a.m.	Registration and Light Refreshments
8:30 – 8:45 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Greg Simmons, VP, Institutional Advancement• Karl Steiner, VP, Research
8:45 – 9:30 a.m.	UMBC’s process for protecting and commercializing inventions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wendy Martin, Director, Office of Technology Development
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.	Options for Commercializing UMBC Inventions – bwtech@UMBC <ul style="list-style-type: none">• David Fink, Entrepreneur in Residence and Mill Site Miner• Panel of UMBC Entrepreneurs
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	<i>Break</i>
10:45 – 11:15 a.m.	NSF I-Corps and Mtech M-Corps Program <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Edmund Pendleton, Director, DC I-Corps
11:15 – 11:45 a.m.	Obtaining Funding Through the Maryland Innovation Initiative (MII) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jennifer Hammaker, Program Director, Maryland Innovation Initiative
11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Wrap up – Looking Ahead