





## **Entrepreneur Resource Workshop**

Applying for the UMBC Technology Catalyst Fund, the Maryland Innovation Initiative

Commercialization & ENTR REsearch (CENTRE) Funding Initiative: UMBC faculty conducting research in either technical fields (technical entrepreneurship), or social/humanities fields (social entrepreneurship) are encouraged to apply for funding.

Friday, April 13, 2018, 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.

**Location: ITE 456 UMBC Main Campus** 

## RSVP to dianem@umbc.edu by April 9, 2018 (limited seating)

UMBC and the State of Maryland are continually seeking ways to bridge the funding gap -- support that can be difficult to obtain from traditional funding sources. These initiatives were created for this purpose, and were designed to advance innovations originating from university research to more commercially viable technologies.

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 the development of a start-up company. UMBC faculty will discuss their experiences in obtaining funding for their projects.

## Who Should Attend? Faculty, students or postdocs 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 available to support the commercialization process.

## **Agenda Overview**

12:00 – 12:10	Applying for the UMBC Technology Catalyst Fund
	<ul> <li>Wendy Martin, Director, Office of Technology Development</li> </ul>
12:10 – 12:20	Obtaining Funding Through the Maryland Innovation Initiative (MII)
	<ul> <li>David Fink, Entrepreneur in Residence and MII Site Miner</li> </ul>
12:20 – 1:00	Open discussion with UMBC Awardees and Company Founders:
	Chuck Bieberich, Biology
	Linda Dusman, Music
	George Karabatis, Information Systems