## Entrepreneurship Hub and Startup Incubator



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## **Project Overview**



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## **Project Goal**

# Increasing entrepreneurial thinking at USask and incubating startups so they can deliver solutions the world needs



#### What?

 A hub connecting curricular and co-curricular entrepreneurship programs to amplify their impact and leverage resources

• An incubator designed for USask founders offering access to programming, mentors, business advisors and infrastructure





## Why? A New Path to Impact

Embracing inventor ownership in a refreshed approach to intellectual property management

 Filling a gap in the regional innovation ecosystem for research-backed innovations that tackle global problems and have high potential for proprietary intellectual property



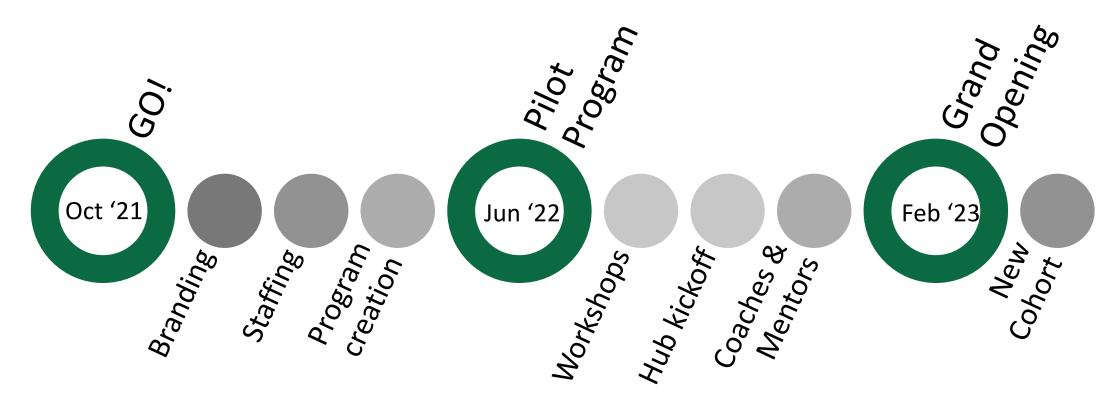


## **Progress to Date**



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### Innovating is Iterating













#### **2022 Pilot Program**

12 STARTUPS 16
MENTEES

30+
PROGRAMMING HOURS

**8**MONTHS

**32**MENTORS & COACHES

90+ STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGED



#### **Critical Success Factors**



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#### **How Did We Get This Far?**

- Team
- Key partner organizations local and national
- Ecosystem network





## How Do We Keep Going?

- Demonstrate external value and impact
- Stratified programming
- Patient partners that share our vision





## **Next Steps**



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#### **Coming Up**

#### 2023 Programming

- Applications open Feb 2023
- i2Explore, i2Build, i2Market

#### Entrepreneurship Hub

- Campus Resources
- Entrepreneurship Circle

#### Opus eNewsletter

- Entrepreneurship culture on campus
- Submit your events, programs, initiatives to us

#### Into the Future

- Graduate companies to research venture accelerators
- Explore new innovation streams for Opus
- Digital home for the entrepreneurship hub





# Questions?

