Graduate Programs

WashU Olin Business School Entrepreneurship Fellowship

Purpose:
Developing an entrepreneurial spirit is a vital part of the student experience at WashU Olin. Our course options, competition and capital funding opportunities combined with the WashU entrepreneurial ecosystem in St. Louis, Silicon Valley, New York City and global cities has contributed to the recognition of the program and created an opportunity to attract diverse and creative, forward thinking students who are looking to grow an idea or discover their untapped potential. The WashU Olin Business School Entrepreneurship Fellowship program capitalizes on these strengths and attracts entrepreneurial minded students driven to impact business and society.

The Entrepreneurship Fellowship will enhance the Fellows’ MBA experience through:

- Networking: Entrepreneurship fellows have the opportunity to build relationships with WashU’s entrepreneurial ecosystem in St. Louis, Silicon Valley, New York City, and across the world through the platform seminar and a variety of learning events.
- Mentoring: Fellows will be paired 1:1 with an alumni to get support and coaching in developing their entrepreneurship skills. This relationship will provide a personalized experience for development and learning.
- Financial: Fellows will receive full-tuition remission in addition to housing accommodations for the academic year at the Lewis Collaborative over for the two years of the Full-Time MBA program.
- Access: Fellows will have access to housing accommodations inside the Lewis Collaborative. This space fosters creativity in its 3.75-acre property designed for living, working and learning. In addition to housing, the students have access to co-working and classroom space. Designed to create community interaction across the broader community, the space will facilitate opportunity for idea generation and creation.

Additional programming opportunities for fellows:

- Teaching Assistant: Entrepreneurship faculty may select fellows for teaching assistantships to support courses undergraduate and graduate level.
- Entrepreneurship Seminar Series: Expand networking opportunities by helping to develop content for the platform seminars and identifying speakers for each session.
- Academic research: Assisting faculty with entrepreneurial research.

These fellowships will be awarded to students who are looking to create impact in business and society, including areas of sustainability, social responsibility, global and diversity, equity, inclusion and access.

Financial Support:
Incoming Fellows will receive full tuition remission and housing accommodations for the academic year at the Lewis Collaborative for the two years of the Full-Time MBA program.
Application Process:

- Open to all applicants applying to the Full-Time MBA program.
- Students will be selected to the fellowship based on their experiences and attributes that demonstrate potential to be an impactful member of the entrepreneurial community at WashU.
- Fellowships will be awarded to students who are looking to create impact in business and society, including areas of technology, sustainability and inclusion, diversity, equity and access.
- Applicants to the fellowship program will submit an online application form including a 2-minute video (of just the applicant talking to the camera). The applicant will choose one prompt and respond including the area of impact, problem, solution, market, competition, and how it relates to you personally.
- Applications to the fellowship will be reviewed by a committee of WashU Olin community members, alumni and those involved in the entrepreneurship ecosystem in St. Louis.
- Application to the Entrepreneurship Fellowship will be due by May 2, 2022. Final fellowship notifications will be provided prior to program start.