Entrepreneurship Training Program

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Why Entrepreneurship?

- ♦ Small business is critical to our economy.
- Entrepreneurship offers employment security.
- Entrepreneurship and immigration have been established as a government priority.

Other considerations

- ♦ Immigrants are entrepreneurial.
- Universities must produce entrepreneurs.
- ♦ Universities need better entrepreneurship programming.

Entrepreneurship Training Program

- ♦ Since 2012, Memorial has offered its Entrepreneurship Training Program (ETP) to help graduate students develop the entrepreneurial attitudes and technical and managerial competencies necessary to create new ventures.
- Collaboration among the Graduate School, the Internationalization Office, and Student Life.
- Funded by the Atlantic Canadian Opportunities Agency.

Entrepreneurship Training Program

♦ Through 8 weeks of interactive workshops led by faculty, business people, and entrepreneurs, students are connected to local mentors, funding sources and other essential resources.

Who is the ETP for?

- Graduate students at Memorial University
- ♦ Interested in entrepreneurship
- ♦ In any faculty
- ♦ Any year
- Any background
- No experience or background necessary





- Discover and Develop Programs
 - In-person and online
 - Exercises, videos, reflection, discussion
- ♦ Offered 3 semesters per year
- ♦ Intended to complement any Masters or PhD program

DISCOVER PROGRAM MODULES



Ideation and Lean Canvas Example

Workshop 1 Ideation & Lean Canvas

Objectives

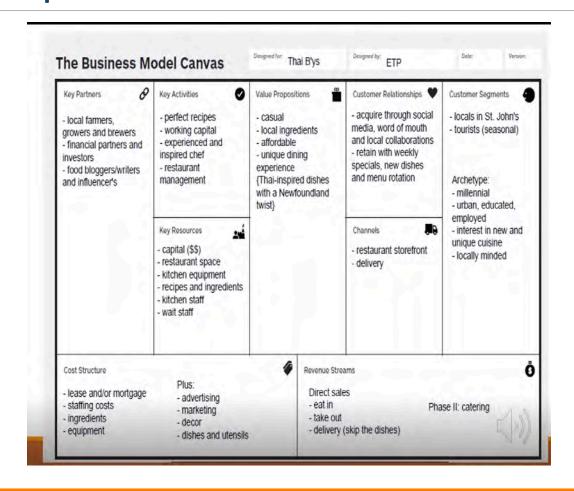
- 1. Identify an opportunity for a business
- 2. Identify how to apply the lean canvas model by completing it for your business idea
- 3. Participate in the Post-Workshop Reflection

Ideation and Lean Canvas Example

Thai B'ys Restaurant

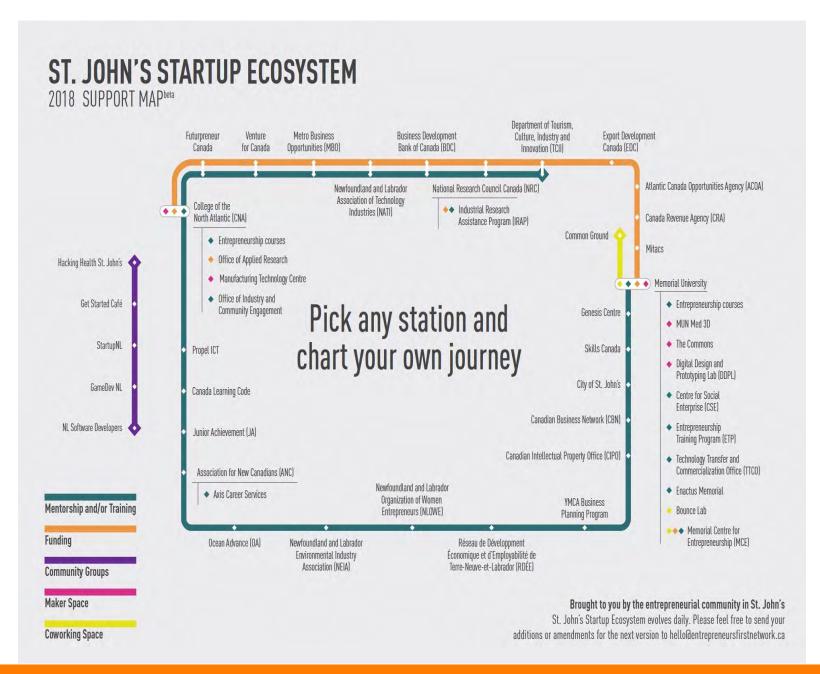
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NEW DEVELOP PROGRAM MODULES





Other considerations

- Start-up Visa Program--was created to target foreign entrepreneurs with the skills and potential to build innovative businesses in Canada that can create jobs and compete on a global scale.
- ♦ Must complete a program like ETP or **Genesis Evolution Program**

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Year of ETP	Students Enrolled	Change in Enrolment from Previous Year
2018 (Fall)	88	+67%
2017/18	52	+44%
2016/17	36	+20%
2015/16	30	+7%

Some Successes



Stefana Egli (chemistry)
—Intelligent Materials,
a spin-off company
that provides a clean
tech portable water
sampling device for
analysis and
monitoring of
particular compounds
of interest in water.



Marc Gauci incorporated a company called ABA Access in 2016 to ensure families living with autism have continuous therapy.



Life Between
Labels Wildlife
&
Conservation
Entrepreneur



Arif Shaikh
CoFounder,
Creatros
Inc. a
cloudbased Al
app.

HeyOrca!

HeyOrca is a social media planning & collaboration tool for social media teams to work closely with their entire team and any external stakeholders. It was founded by MUN alums and now has 2 offices and 21 employees.

Awards





Program Innovation Award

Questions?



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