

WHAT IS FASTSTART?

FASTSTART IS AN ENTREPRENEURIAL TRAINING PARTNERSHIP AIMED AT UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE STUDENTS. ITS PURPOSE IS TO INCREASE ENTREPRENEURSHIP SKILLS AMONG STUDENTS AND TO SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT INNOVATION. FASTSTART'S PEER-TO-PEER MENTORING HELPS STUDENTS BRING THEIR IDEAS AND VENTURES TO MARKET, QUICKLY AND SUCCESSFULLY.

WHO IS FASTSTART?

AT DURHAM COLLEGE, FASTSTART IS A COMPILATION OF STUDENTS, PROFESSORS, AND BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS WHO ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP STUDENT AND YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS TAKE THEIR BUSINESS VENTURES TO THE NEXT LEVEL. FASTSTART DC IS PARTNERED WITH UNIVERSITY OF ONTARIO INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (UOIT), FLEMING COLLEGE, TRENT UNIVERSITY, SPARK CENTRE, AND GREATER PETERBOROUGH INNOVATION CLUSTER (GPIC). WE ARE ALSO A MEMBER OF THE ONTARIO NETWORK OF ENTREPRENEURS (ONE).



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HOW DOES FASTSTART HELP?

FASTSTART PROVIDES ENTREPRENEURIAL SERVICES AND TRAINING PROGRAMS, INCLUDING:

WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS:

WE HOST WORKSHOPS THAT GIVE PARTICIPANTS MORE INFORMATION ON STARTING BUSINESS AS WELL AS GREAT STARTUP TIPS AND TECHNIQUES. WE ALSO BRING IN LOCAL ENTREPRENEURS TO TALK ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES IN STARTUP AND SHARE THEIR WEALTH OF FIRSTHAND KNOWLEDGE, AS WELL AS SERVICE PROVIDERS WHO CAN ANSWER SPECIFIC QUESTIONS IN SPECIALIZED FIELDS.

COMPETITIONS, BOOTCAMPS & ACCELERATORS:

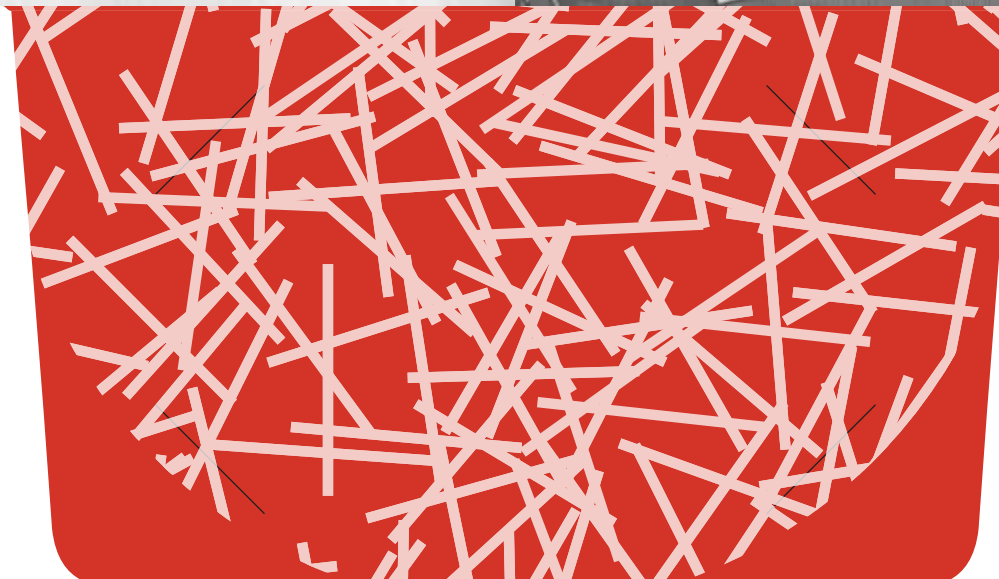
OFFERING AN ASSORTMENT OF COMPETITIONS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, FASTSTART DC IS DEDICATED TO HELPING OUR STUDENTS AND YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS, DEVELOP THE CONFIDENCE THEY NEED TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS STARTUPS. FOR EXAMPLE, PITCH COMPETITIONS GIVE STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PITCH BUSINESS IDEAS AS THEY COMPETE FOR CASH PRIZES. OTHER FUN CONTESTS OFFERED THROUGH FASTSTARTDC INCLUDE FULLY EXPENSED PAID TRIPS TO CONFERENCES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. STUDENTS ARE ALSO ABLE TO ATTEND LONGER TERM BOOTCAMPS AND ACCELERATOR PROGRAMS WHICH PROVIDE INTENSIVE CRASH COURSES IN STARTUPS AND FOCUS ON GETTING YOUR BUSINESS TO LAUNCH QUICKLY AND EFFECTIVELY.

PEER-TO-PEER SUPPORT:

FASTSTART DC HAS SEVERAL STUDENT ADVISORS IN-HOUSE, AVAILABLE FOR STUDENT AND YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS TO USE AS A RESOURCE. FEEL FREE TO WALK IN AND BOUNCE IDEAS OFF OF THEM - THEY CAN HELP YOU THINK ABOUT YOUR IDEA OR VENTURE IN A DIFFERENT LIGHT AND ALSO PROVIDE INSIGHT INTO MANY DIFFERENT AREAS REGARDING YOUR BUSINESS.

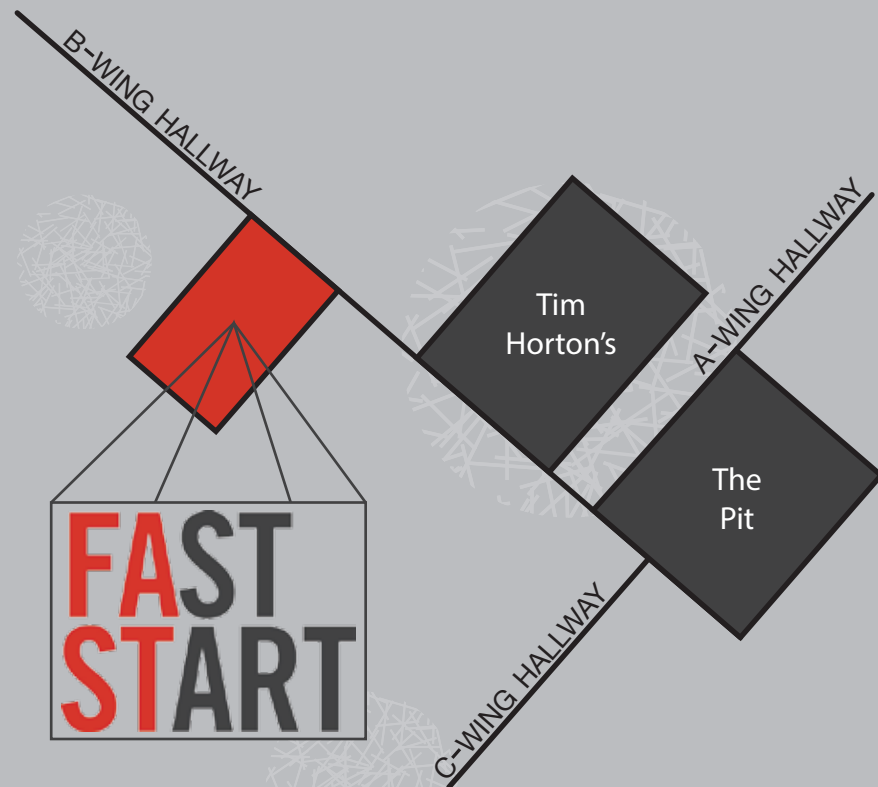
SPACE & RESOURCES:

AN ENTREPRENEURIAL CENTRE, WE HAVE SPACE FOR YOU TO WORK! WE ALSO HAVE ACCESS TO MANY COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE READILY AVAILABLE TO STUDENT AND YOUTH ENTREPRENEURS. WHETHER YOU ARE READY TO STARTUP SOMETHING NEW OR ELEVATE YOUR CURRENT BUSINESS, WE WILL HELP YOU EACH STEP ALONG THE WAY TO ULTIMATELY LAUNCH AND OWN A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS. WE CAN ALSO ACT AS THE MEANS TO CONNECT YOU WITH THE APPROPRIATE CONTACTS IN YOUR INDUSTRY. FEEL FREE TO WORK IN THE VIBE AS WELL - WE LOVE HAVING COMPANY!



WHERE IS FASTSTART LOCATED?

FASTSTART DC IS LOCATED IN THE VIBE (B233) ON THE 2ND FLOOR OF THE GORDON WILLEY BUILDING AT THE OSHAWA CAMPUS. WE ARE OPEN FROM 8:30 AM TO 4:30 PM, MONDAY TO FRIDAY.



THE VIBE (B233)
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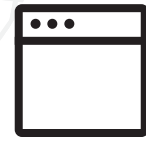
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