We're building Kentucky's future today.

Gatton College of Business and Economics Von Allmen Center for Entrepreneurship The mission of the Von Allmen Center for Entrepreneurship (VACE) is to strengthen Kentucky's economy through entrepreneurship and business outreach.



Providing education, networking opportunities, resources, and tools for startups and early stage businesses

We do this by:



Hosting entrepreneurial workshops, pitch coaching, and startup contests



Leveraging the University of Kentucky's distinguished faculty and world-class campus infrastructure

"My greatest obstacle was believing in myself. I had to trust in my ideas and what I had to offer to the public. One of our greatest successes was securing our first major contract in our first year of business."



VaShaun Mosby

CEO, VaShaun Nicole Consulting

A staffing agency focused on serving individuals with criminal barriers.

Bootcamp Participant Fall 2019

"The Entrepreneurs Bootcamp helped me learn about entrepreneurship, and mainly for my first company, it taught me how to iterate and think lean."



Destin George Bell

UK Gatton Marketing graduate '20 Bootcamp Participant



Entrepreneur's Bootcamp

Our signature program is designed to help individuals develop and create business concepts through hands-on experience. The program is open to all UK students, staff and community members, and students can receive academic credit for participating.

Keep the momentum going.

People come to the Von Allmen Center for Entrepreneurship to learn about the possibilities of starting their own business, and to discover the skills and resources to get there. They leave with a sense of hope because they see that they can have a positive impact on their communities and the world. And they've learned how to take the first steps.

"Early on, we invested in a 3-D printer, and it's been a huge success in terms of prototyping and getting members of the medical community to try our products."



Kevin Richardson CEO, HandPrint Technologies

Creator of comfortable, functional medical supplies and equipment.

Bootcamp Participant Spring 2019

How do we know what we're doing is working?

18 **400%**

increase in Bootcamp participants



200%

increase in angel investor network



companies

formed or

being formed

E ► 50,000

social media impressions

Support our mission.

Your gift can help us enhance and improve the Entrepreneur's Bootcamp program, increase workshops and guest speaker events, provide seed money for pitch competitions, and allow us to expand our partnerships throughout the Commonwealth.

Contact

Warren Nash Executive Director The Von Allmen Center for Entrepreneurship warren.nash@uky.edu | 859.257.6871



Gatton College of Business and Economics

Von Allmen Center for Entrepreneurship