CONNECTS

Entrepreneurship Seminar Series Spring 2021

All CONNECTS events will be hosted virtually and advanced registration is required. Zoom information to all registered attendees will be sent the day before the event.

Please note that the session will be recorded.

All CONNECTS Seminars are held from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Tues, Feb 2	Tactical Steps to Launching Sales Bryan Whittington, Evergreen Business Services
Wed, Feb 3	The Challenge of Innovation in Healthcare – A Complex, Evolving Market with Misaligned Incentives Ginny Pribanic, MedRespond, LLC
Thurs, Feb 4	Tax, Business and Accounting Issues for Startups Carissa Habsburg & Megan Rechenberg, Sisterson & Co. LLP
Tues, Feb 9	Accelerating Your Startup via Corporate Partnerships Sean Ammirati, Birchmire Ventures
Wed, Feb 10	Practical Business Negotiation for the Early Stage Company Eric Kline, Pepper Hamilton, LLP
Thurs, Feb 11	Legal Considerations for Social Entrepreneurs Eryn Correa, Crivella Correa
Tues, Feb 16	Online Marketing for Startups Joey Rahimi
Wed, Feb 17	Business Model Canvas: A Practical Guide Will Kaigler, CMU Swartz Center
Thurs, Feb 18	Lean Startups Dave Mawhinney, CMU Swartz Center
Wed, Feb 24	Leveraging Partnerships with FDA during and after COVID-19: Advice for Startups Dr. Elora Gupta and Dr. Courtney Williamson
Thurs, Feb 25	Splitting the Founder's Pie & Other Aspects of Equity Compensation Frank Demmler, Startup Whisperer
Tues, Mar 2	Finding Follow-On Capital: Identifying and Engaging Your Next Investors Ben Garber, 7 Mile Advisors
Wed, Mar 3	Software May Eat the World, But You Still Need a Fork Matt Verlinich, Innovation Works

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Thurs, Mar 4	Hustlenomics Way Presents Superwomen Damola Idowu, EIC and Founder of Owners Illustrated Magazine	
Tues, Mar 9	The Nuts and Bolts of Angel Investing Catherine Mott, BlueTree Venture Fund	
Wed, Mar 10	Financial Modeling Phil Compton, Locomation	
Thurs, Mar 11	How To Design For Production At Super Speed Elijah Wiegmann, Founder of Base Design Studio	
Tues, Mar 16	From Classroom to Boardroom: Turning a Class Project into a Fully Fledged Corporation Alison Alvarez, BlastPoint	
Wed, Mar 17	Leverage IP to Drive Business Value Sreekar Gadde & Jason Somma, Blue Tree Allied Angels	
Thurs, Mar 18	aunching Hardware Startups with Monozukuri, The Art of Making Things in a Creative Way Nobuhiro Seki, Monozukuri Ventures	
Wed, Mar 24	The Importance of Cash Flow Kelley Lynch, CFO & VP of Operations, Othot	
Thurs, Mar 25	Planning and Designing a Workplace Environment that Promotes Creativity and Innovation Samara Wheaton & Brian Roth, ikm	
Tues, Mar 30	Franchising - Opportunities are Everywhere Chris Cynkar, FranChoice	
Thurs, April 1	Leveraging Compliance-focused Infrastructure to Build Faster Jason Cahill, AWS	
Tues, April 6	TLanding Your First Five Customers Alex Salazar, Neotribe Ventures	
Thurs, April 8	The Art & Science of Negotiation Taya R. Cohen, PhD	

START SMART LAW Seminar Series: Spring 2021

All START SMART LAW seminars begin at 5:00 p.m.

Thurs, Feb 25	How to Start a Business on an F-1 Student Visa Panel Discussion
Thurs, Mar 4	Accelerating Growth Through Third Party Relationships/Contracts David Lehman, K&L Gates
Thurs, Mar 25	Hiring and Firing Mike Pavlik, K&L Gates

Thurs,	How to Handle Your (and Others') Intellectual Property
April 1	George Dickos & Lauren Murray, K&L Gates
Thurs, April 8	Worst Mistakes Made by Startups Panel Discussion