The James R. Swartz Entrepreneurial Fellows Program

2015-2016

Application deadline: September 1, 2015
NB: rolling admissions

a. Application form
b. Resume
c. Personal Statement (2 pg max)
   • Entrepreneurial & tech interests
   • Entrepreneurial experience
   • Short- & long-term goals
   • Plans to contribute to CMU's entrepreneurial ecosystem
   • Role of this program in your career

Recommendation letters (2)
Submit directly by email to:
Dr. Emily Stark
vestark@andrew.cmu.edu

Infosessions:
Thursday, 8/20: 10 am, GHC 7101
Friday, 8/21: 12 pm, Posner Hall 227 (TPR)
Thursday, 8/27: 10 am, GHC 7101
Friday, 8/28: 12 pm, Posner Hall 227 (TPR)

...fast-tracking the careers of Carnegie Mellon University’s graduate students who are passionate about fusing technology with business

THE SWARTZ FELLOWS PROGRAM

This highly selective program hones entrepreneurial potential and skills through hands-on experiences, networking, mentoring and courses in entrepreneurship.

The core of the program is a mentored summer internship with a top-tier VC-backed startup within the high-tech, high-growth environment of California’s Silicon Valley and San Francisco. Networking trips and mentoring shape each Fellow’s self-directed internship and career searches.

REQUIREMENTS

• Full-time status as a CMU graduate student (master’s or PhD program)
• Completion of two mini-courses in entrepreneurship
• Participation in weekly proseminar
• Completion of a summer internship in California’s Bay Area

BENEFITS OF BEING A SWARTZ FELLOW

• Summer internship at a top-tier VC-backed startup in California’s Bay Area
• Networking opportunities and access to investors and business leaders
• Speaker Series Roundtables with prominent entrepreneurial leaders such as Matt Rogers (Nest Labs), Lila Ibrahim (Coursera), Andrew Mason (Groupon), Scott Griffith (ZipCar), and Jonathan Kaplan (The Melt)
• Mentoring and guidance from CMU entrepreneurial faculty and staff, investors, C-level executives
• Cohort and community building with current/alumni Swartz Fellows
• Entrepreneurship coursework
• Stipend ($2500 total) for networking trips to California’s Bay Area

This program is made possible by Tepper alumnus James R. Swartz, founder and managing partner of Accel Partners, a global venture capital firm.