BLACKSTONE LAUNCHPAD’S
RESOURCE GUIDE
ON OUR CAMPUS
IN THE CITY
STATE OF NEW YORK
AND BEYOND.
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An experiential program for faculty, staff, and students from all academic disciplines, the LaunchPad helps those interested in innovation, invention, and creative approaches to entrepreneurship.

Entrepreneurship is the creative process of exploring ideas, identifying problems and solutions, testing assumptions, thinking strategically, building teams, and iterating through continuous discovery. For some participants, this process leads to venture creation. For others, it leads to critical thinking and skills that better positions them to become global leaders and citizens.

Our inviting space in Bird Library on SU’s campus is ideal for ideation, interaction with mentors, co-working and team meetings, networking events, workshops, venture demos and product launches, as well as other collaborative activities. It is staffed by professionals, Syracuse University student Global Fellows, and supported by a network of mentors and subject matter experts.
EDUCATION/CURRICULAR PROGRAMS
ASIA TECH | iSchool

Introduces student entrepreneurs to Asia through Global Enterprise Tech.

ENTRETECH | iSchool

Gives student entrepreneurs entry to startups, entrepreneurs and venture capitalists in Manhattan.

EUROTECH | iSchool

Introduces student entrepreneurs to Europe through Global Enterprise Tech.

SPRING BREAK IN THE SILICON VALLEY | iSchool

Gives student entrepreneurs entry to startups, entrepreneurs and venture capitalists in the Silicon Valley.

PEAK2PEAK | iSchool

Gives student entrepreneurs entry to startups, entrepreneurs and venture capitalists in the Pacific Northwest.
EDUCATION / CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

IDS PROGRAM | iSchool
   ❶ bit.ly/ischool-ids
   Minor in information technology, design, and startups.

CERTIFICATE OF ADVANCED STUDY IN SUSTAINABLE ENTERPRISE | Whitman, Engineering, CoE, SUNY ESF
   ❶ bit.ly/casse-program
   Collaborative program focused on global sustainability education.

D’ANIELLO INTERNSHIP | Whitman
   ❶ bit.ly/daniello-internship
   Opportunities for students to intern with an entrepreneur or executive in high-growth company.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND EMERGING ENTERPRISES DEPARTMENT
   | Whitman
   ❶ bit.ly/whitman-eee
   Academic program offering major, minor and MBA, MS in entrepreneurship and PhD degrees.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP BOOTCAMP FOR VETERANS (EBV) | IVMF/Whitman
   ❶ bit.ly/vets-ebv
   Experiential training and small business management for post 9-11 veterans.
EDUCATION / CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

ENTREPRENEURSHIP BOOTCAMP | Whitman
Intensive education sessions to help aspiring entrepreneurs develop skills to form a venture.

IVMF | IVMF/Whitman
\[\text{bit.ly/ivmf-program}\]
Comprehensive program encompassing veteran services, education and entrepreneurship.

INVENTION ACCELERATOR | Engineering, Architecture and VPA School of Design
\[\text{bit.ly/invent-su}\]
Intensive six weeks’ summer session to develop an idea from concept, to prototype and proof of concept.

BANDIER PROGRAM | Newhouse
\[\text{bit.ly/bandier-program}\]
Provides training for music business, media, marketing and entrepreneurial career tracks.

COMMUNITY AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM | Maxwell
\[\text{bit.ly/maxwell-citizenship}\]
Focus on social entrepreneurship.

MASTERS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION | Maxwell
\[\text{bit.ly/maxwell-mpa}\]
Trains non-profit and NGO leaders.
POLICY STUDIES AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS | Maxwell
  i bit.ly/maxwell-paf
  Interdisciplinary training in data and analysis for future non-profit and NGO leaders.

SOCIAL WORK, PUBLIC HEALTH AND SPORTS MANAGEMENT | Falk
  i bit.ly/falk-spm
  Degree program for students to become professionals and entrepreneurs.

NEW TECHNOLOGY LAW PROGRAM (SUNTEC) | Law
  i bit.ly/law-stlc
  Focus on business law, tech commercialization.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LAW CLINIC (CDLC) | Law
  i bit.ly/law-cdlc
  One of the oldest law school clinics nationwide, providing students the opportunity to engage with not-for-profit organizations and for-profit entities involved in community development and neighborhood revitalization.
UNIVERSITY CENTERS FOR SCHOLARSHIP AND INNOVATION
UNIVERSITY CENTERS FOR SCHOLARSHIP, TEACHING, AND INNOVATION

SYRACUSE COE | NYS Center of Excellence
i bit.ly/su-coe
Led by Syracuse University, engaging faculty, students and collaborators at 200+ firms.

BURTON BLATT INSTITUTE | School of Education
i bit.ly/su-bbi
Global project that advances civic, economic and social empowerment of people with disabilities.

MCNAIR SCHOLARS PROGRAM | School of Education
i bit.ly/mcnair-program
Federally funded TRIO program for hands-on research.

HUMANITIES CENTER | Arts and Sciences
i bit.ly/humanities-center
Vibrant programming, including visiting professorships, keynote speakers, graduate fellowships.

BEHAVIOR, INFORMATION, TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY LAB | iSchool
i bit.ly/ischool-bits
Interdisciplinary researchers working on innovative ways people use information technologies.

CENTER FOR COMPUTATIONAL AND DATA SCIENCES | iSchool
i bit.ly/ischool-ccds
Machine learning, natural language, data science.
CENTER FOR NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING | iSchool
Explores theory and application of natural language processing.

CENTER FOR DIGITAL LITERACY | Interdisciplinary
bit.ly/ischool-cdl
Center on impact of information, technology, media literacies.

SYRACUSE BIOMATERIALS INSTITUTE | Interdisciplinary
bit.ly/su-biomaterials
Research in biological materials and fundamental research on interactions between biological matter and non-living materials.

CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION | Maxwell
bit.ly/maxwell-cep
Interdisciplinary center exploring environmental issues from technical, social and humanistic perspectives.

CENTER FOR POLICY RESEARCH | Maxwell
bit.ly/maxwell-cpr
Interdisciplinary research in public policy.
UNIVERSITY CENTERS FOR SCHOLARSHIP, TEACHING, AND INNOVATION

MOYNIHAN INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL AFFAIRS | Maxwell

- bit.ly/maxwell-moynihan
  - Research on world issues and governance challenges in the areas of international affairs.

AGING STUDIES INSTITUTE | Maxwell

- bit.ly/maxwell-asi
  - Collaborative between Maxwell and Falk, focused on aging-related research through interdisciplinary approach.

M.I.N.D. LAB | Newhouse

- bit.ly/mind-lab
  - Networked consortium of ten labs in seven countries, conducting research in human-brain interaction; coordinated through Newhouse.

W20 CENTER FOR SOCIAL COMMERCE | Newhouse

- bit.ly/newhouse-w20
  - Partnership between Newhouse and W2O Group, a social media/social commerce firm.

CENTER FOR STUDY OF POPULAR TELEVISION AND POPULAR CULTURE | Newhouse

- bit.ly/newhouse-tv
  - Archive and discovery center for exploration of popular culture.
UNIVERSITY CENTERS FOR SCHOLARSHIP, TEACHING, AND INNOVATION

LARENCE TAISHOFF CENTER FOR INCLUSIVE HIGHER EDUCATION | School of Education

Research and resources, universal design.

INSTITUTE FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL SOCIETY | Whitman

Research on the political economy of entrepreneurship.

BALLENTINE INVESTMENT INSTITUTE | Whitman

Provides tools used by investment professionals to support learning, research and career paths.

EARL SNYDER INNOVATION MANAGEMENT CENTER | Whitman

Study of innovation management across an interdisciplinary curriculum, working primarily with tech-based innovation companies.

JAMES KUHN REAL ESTATE CENTER | Whitman

Center for students and alumni to explore real estate development.
UNIVERSITY CENTERS FOR SCHOLARSHIP, TEACHING, AND INNOVATION

OLIVIA AND WALTER KIEBACH CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS STUDIES | Whitman

Innovation in international business.

AFRICA BUSINESS PROGRAM | Whitman

Partnerships with business in Africa, to get ready to enter the African market.

ROBERT BRETHEN OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE | Whitman

Innovation in operations management for manufacturing, service and resource management professionals.

SUSTAINABLE ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP | Whitman, Engineering and SUNY ESF

Collaboration on sustainable enterprise management, focusing on small and medium business enterprises (SMEs).

SALZBERG MEMORIAL PROGRAM | Whitman

Innovation in supply chain management and logistics.
UNIVERSITY CENTERS FOR SCHOLARSHIP, TEACHING, AND INNOVATION

FRANKLIN CENTER FOR SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT | Whitman

- bit.ly/whitman-franklin
  Innovation in transportation and supply chain.

PROGRAM FOR ADVANCEMENT OF RESEARCH ON CONFLICT AND COLLABORATION (PARCC) | Maxwell

- bit.ly/maxwell-parcc
  Interdisciplinary center that advances innovation in conflict resolution and collaboration.

INSTITUTE FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AND COUNTERTERRORISM | Maxwell and Law

- bit.ly/su-insc
  Interdisciplinary center for innovation in national and international security, counterterrorism.

CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS ENGINEERING | Engineering

- bit.ly/eng-centers
  Core labs, faculty labs, clean rooms for research in civil and environmental engineering, chemical engineering and materials science.
PROPERTY, CITIZENSHIP AND SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURISM | Law

Brings together faculty from six schools to engage university partners, government and corporate partners around innovation in information and systems assurance and trust.

A center for advanced property studies, exploring issues related to property law and citizenship that supports economic and community development, as well as social justice.
CAMPUS ENTREPRENEURSHIP RESOURCES AND SERVICE CENTERS
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SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES | SU Libraries

Multi-faceted service centers at Bird Library, Carnegie Library and School of Architecture Library; databases, subject experts and resource specialists.

FALCONE CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP | Whitman

Entrepreneurial support center, with EIR and professional service providers; administers Couri Hatchery, WISE Center and SSIC.

COURI HATCHERY | Whitman

Incubation space and support services.

INSTITUTE FOR VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES | IVMF

First institute of its kind in the country to support post-service needs of veterans and military families.

CENTER FOR DIGITAL MEDIA ENTREPRENEURSHIP | Newhouse

Entrepreneurial support center for digital media entrepreneurs and other creatives.
CAMPUS ENTREPRENEURSHIP RESOURCES AND SERVICE CENTERS

ENTREPRENEURSHIP LOUNGE | Newhouse
Media startup co-working space.

ALAN GERRY CENTER FOR MEDIA INNOVATION | Newhouse

Creative hub based on content development and next-gen media technologies.

BLACKSTONE LAUNCHPAD | SU Libraries

Coworking, coaching, and cross-campus service center.

TECHNOLOGY COMMERCIALIZATION LAW PROGRAM | Law

TCLP specializes in business law, intellectual property and technology commercialization.

KIMMEL MAKER SPACE | Information Technology Support

3D printing, specialized fabrication, with ITS support.

SLOCUM MAKER SPACE | Architecture

3D printing, specialized fabrication, prototyping.
WAREHOUSE MAKER SPACE | VPA School of Design

Multi-faceted makerspace at the SU Warehouse downtown.

“DIRTY ARTS” MAKER SPACES AND STUDIES | VPA School of Art

Sculpture, welding, ceramics, pottery, art studios for creative makers.

DESIGNWORKS FAB LAB | VPA School of Design

Fab lab facility at the SU Warehouse

DSS (DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP SPACE) | Information Technology Support

VR and gaming center at Bird Library, operated by ITS.

ICE BOX | iSchool

Innovation, Collaboration and Entrepreneurship (ICE) Box, for professors and students to pursue venture creation.

NEXIS | iSchool

Student-driven membership-based innovation lab.
CAMPUS ENTREPRENEURSHIP RESOURCES AND SERVICE CENTERS

STUDENT SANDBOX | iSchool

Student summer accelerator located in the Tech Garden.

CASE | Engineering

Center for Advanced Systems and Engineering.
CAMPUS SUPPORT FUNCTIONS
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FUNCTIONS

OFFICE OF INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH AND ASSESSMENT

bit.ly/su-oira

OFFICE OF RESEARCH

bit.ly/su-or

OFFICE OF TECH TRANSFER

bit.ly/su-ott

OFFICE OF RESEARCH INTEGRITY

bit.ly/su-ori

OFFICE OF SPONSORED ACCOUNTING

bit.ly/su-oosa

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

bit.ly/su-cs

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL LITERACY

bit.ly/su-ofl

Offering counseling and coaching to student entrepreneurs, working with the LaunchPad.

ORANGE SUCCESS

bit.ly/su-osu

Now featuring a "flag" for student entrepreneurship and veteran entrepreneurship.
CAMPUS SUPPORT
FUNCTIONS

EXPERTS@SU

bit.ly/su-experts
Platform to find campus experts for collaboration or subject matter expertise.

MARY ANN SHAW FOR PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

bit.ly/shaw-center
Civic engagement program, fostering social enterprise.

RENÉE CROWN UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM

bit.ly/su-honors

CENTER FOR FELLOWSHIP AND SCHOLARSHIP ADVISING (CFSA)

bit.ly/su-cfsa
UNIVERSITY FUNDING SOURCES AND COMPETITIONS
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PANASCI BUSINESS PLAN | Whitman
   i bit.ly/panasci
   $45,000 in business plan competition funding.

RAYMOND VON DRAN IPRIZE | iSchool
   i bit.ly/rvd-iprize
   $40,000 in business plan competition funding.

GISELA VON DRAN SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP PRIZE | Blackstone LaunchPad
   i bit.ly/su-gew
   $5,000 social entrepreneurship competition during Global Entrepreneurship Week.

ACC INVENTURE PRIZE | Blackstone LaunchPad
   coordinates for Provost
   i bit.ly/su-acc
   No campus prize, but $30,000 ACC prize.

ALUMNI CNY BUSINESS AWARD | Whitman
   i bit.ly/cny-award
   $15,000 in prizes to SU students who are starting businesses that will stay in CNY.

WHITMAN IDEA AWARD | Whitman
   i bit.ly/whitman-idea
   $2,000 in prizes for Whitman students who plan a venture.
ORANGE TANK | Whitman

Shark-Tank style competition held over Orange Central Homecoming Weekend.

COMPETE CNY/NYS BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION | Blackstone LaunchPad

Regional qualifier for the NYS Business Plan Competition.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE IFUND | University College

Funding source for faculty to propose innovative courses to teach in summer session.
STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP ORGANIZATIONS
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CREATIVITY, INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP LIVING AND LEARNING COMMUNITY | Whitman

bit.ly/su-cie

Part of SU Learning Community network, specifically for students from any major interested in creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLUB | Whitman

bit.ly/su-e-club

RSO, open to all majors, helping students form ideas and launch ventures.

THRIVE PROJECTS | Blackstone LaunchPad

thriveproject.org

RSO focused on local/global social entrepreneurship

VISION | Newhouse - Hosted in the LaunchPad

RSO, open by invite to all majors interested in creativity and digital technology.

ENACTUS | Whitman

bit.ly/su-enactus

RSO focused on global social entrepreneurship.
RESOURCES FOR REGIONAL
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WISE WOMEN'S BUSINESS CENTER | SBA, Whitman
- Located at the Tech Garden
  🕒 wisecenter.org
  Part of the SBA's network of WBC's, and also supported by Whitman.

SOUTH SIDE INNOVATION CENTER | Whitman and other funders
  🕒 bit.ly/su-south-side
  Incubator facility, programs and commercial test kitchen on the South Side of Syracuse.

CENTERSTATE CEO | CenterState CEO
  🕒 centerstateceo.com
  Regional business leadership organization.

THE TECH GARDEN | Tech Garden
  🕒 thetechgarden.com
  Incubator/accelerator in downtown Syracuse, program of CenterState CEO.

MEDTECH | Tech Garden
  🕒 medtech.org
  Consortium of academic institutions, companies and services providers working collaboratively to grow the medtech cluster in Upstate New York; highly focused on innovation.
CLEAN TECH CENTER | Tech Garden

bit.ly/su-clean-tech

NYSERDA-funded clean tech incubator located downtown.

CNY BIOTECH ACCELERATOR | Downtown Syracuse

cnybac.com

Partnership between SUNY Upstate and SUNY ESF, offering advanced biotech, life sciences and medtech incubation space, specialized labs, and support services.

SYRACUSE COWORKS | Downtown Syracuse

syracusecoworks.com

Coworking space in Downtown Syracuse.

COMMONSPACE | Downtown Syracuse

commons.io

Co-living space above Syracuse CoWorks.

TECH MEETUPS | Tech Garden

Regularly scheduled meetups for entrepreneurs

UPSTATE VENTURE CONNECT | Tech Garden

uvc.org

Non-profit focused on growing entrepreneurship across Upstate.

STARTFAST | Currently at LeMoyne

startfast.net

Community based venture accelerator.
EDUCATION / CURRICULAR
PROGRAMS

UPSTATE VENTURE ASSOCIATION | Operates virtually

- upstatecapital.org
  Confederation of venture investor groups.

STARTUP WEEKEND | Tech Garden

- startupweekend.org
  Weekend accelerated ideation program.

KAUFFMAN MILLION CUPS | Syracuse CoWorks

- 1millioncups.com
  Part of Kauffman initiated entrepreneurship network.

SALT MAKERSPACE | Independent

- saltmaker.org
  Community based maker space located at Syracuse CoWorks.

ECHOMAKES | Independent

- echomakes.com
  Community based maker space located in Syracuse's North Side.

WOMEN'S BUSINESS OWNER CONNECTION | Syracuse Chapter

- wboconnection.org
  Federal contract networking program.
CENTRAL NEW YORK TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION | Liverpool

NYS-funded regional technology development office, offering technical assistance and training.

MANUFACTURER’S ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL NEW YORK | Syracuse

Alliance of Upstate NY manufacturers; useful connections for product development and contract manufacturing.

TECHNOLOGY ALLIANCE OF CENTRAL NEW YORK | Syracuse

Facilitates community awareness, appreciation, and education of technology, and promotes innovation, invention and entrepreneurship.

PRE-SEED WORKSHOP | Tech Garden

Pre-seed two-day workshops help potential entrepreneurs determine the commercial merit of high-tech ideas, assess start-up fortitude and if necessary, re-think, re-organize, and re-design ideas to move forward.
RESOURCES/PARTNERS FOR STATE AND FEDERAL
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NEW YORK STATE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LAW CENTER (NYS STLC) | Law

bit.ly/law-stlc

Provides information to New York’s Research Centers and startup and early stage technology companies as they develop and market new technologies and seek to compete in the high technology marketplace.

NYS SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER (SBDCS) | SUNY OCC and SUNY Oswego, and at other SUNY campuses around NYS

nyssbdc.org

Client-focused business development and coaching.

SCORE | Syracuse Chapter

score.org

Client-focused business development and coaching.

U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA) | Upstate District Office in Syracuse

sba.gov

Client-focused business development and coaching, conduit to loans, loan guarantees, contracts, and other specialized services.

SBA EMERGING LEADERS PROGRAM | Tech Garden

bit.ly/tg-sba

Accelerator for fast-growing small businesses.
RESOURCES FOR VETERANS
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SBA BOOTS TO BUSINESS PROGRAM | Partners with SU and IVMF

- [bit.ly/sba-b2b](bit.ly/sba-b2b)
  Entrepreneurial education program.

BOOTS TO BUSINESS REBOOT | Partners with SU and IVMF

- [bit.ly/sba-b2b-reboot](bit.ly/sba-b2b-reboot)
  Entrepreneurial education program.

VETERANS BUSINESS OUTREACH CENTERS (VBOCS) | Service agreement with 15 organizations

  Mentoring for veterans who want to start a business.

V-WISE | IVMF/Whitman

  Women-focused program in entrepreneurship and management provides tools, support and mentorship to veterans, active service members and military spouses aspiring to become successful entrepreneurs.

IVMF - INSTITUTE FOR VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES | IVMF/Whitman

- [bit.ly/su-ivmf](bit.ly/su-ivmf)
  Delivers class-leading programs in career, vocational and entrepreneurship education and training, providing service members, veterans and their families with the skills needed to be successful in education, work and life.
RESOURCES FOR VETERANS

ONWARD TO OPPORTUNITY - VETERANS CAREER TRANSITION PROGRAM (O2O-VCTP) | IVMF

bit.ly/o2o-vctp

A career skills program that provides civilian career training, professional certifications and job placement support to transitioning service members, members of the Reserves or National Guard, veterans, and military spouses.

VETNET | IVMF

vtnethq.com

Online resource offering innovative networking tools, career training, job opportunities and entrepreneurship classes. VetNet is a free service for the entire veteran and military family community.

EBV - ENTREPRENEURSHIP BOOTCAMP FOR VETERANS WITH DISABILITIES (EBV) | IVMF

bit.ly/ebv-disabilities

Cutting edge entrepreneurship training program teaching the steps and stages of business creation and business management, with a tailored emphasis on the unique challenges and opportunities associated with being a veteran business owner.

EBVF - ENTREPRENEURSHIP BOOTCAMP FOR VETERANS’ FAMILIES (EBV-F) | IVMF

bit.ly/ebv-f

Entrepreneurship training program that integrates
training with caregiver and family matters, positioning participants to launch and grow small businesses while tending to family responsibilities. Offered to spouses and family members, or the surviving spouse of a military member who gave his or her life in service to our country.

**CVOB - COALITION FOR VETERAN OWNED BUSINESS (CVOB) | IVMF**

![bit.ly/c-vob](bit.ly/c-vob)

Coalition of private sector companies, businesses, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) working to connect veteran and military family-owned business to supply chains of medium-sized and large corporations. CVOB simplifies and facilitates the process of supplying goods and services to larger employees.

**CENTER OF EXCELLENCE (COE) FOR VETERAN ENTREPRENEURSHIP | IVMF**


One-stop shop for everything related to veteran owned businesses. Information available to veterans seeking to begin or grow their business as well as researchers, policymakers, and public and private companies interested in veteran business ownership.
REGIONAL EXTERNAL FUNDING
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GRANTS FOR GROWTH | Center State CEO

Investment program providing staged funding to companies in two tracks: 1) pre-revenue proof of concept or 2) growth and scale-up.

NEW YORK STATE BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION

Blackstone LaunchPad coordinates regional qualifiers; state competition by SUNY Albany, CNSE

$160,000 prize funding at statewide competition.

THE GERMINATOR | Center State CEO

A program of the Tech Garden combining traditional incubation programs, intensity of acceleration program, with funding.

GENIUS NY | Center State CEO

A program of the Tech Garden, funded by NYS, focused on accelerating venture development in the unmanned systems, data-to-decision, sensor and drone sectors, backed by significant seed funding.

CENTRAL NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ALLIANCE | Center State CEO

Export and international trade technical assistance for small and growing businesses.
REGIONAL
EXTERNAL FUNDING

SEED CAPITAL FUND OF CNY | Tech Garden
Private angel group/seed fund.

ARMORY SQUARE VENTURES | Downtown Syracuse
armorysv.com
Early stage venture fund.

LAUNCHNY | Buffalo base, with Syracuse office in the Tech Garden
launchny.org
Venture Development Organization (VDO) and early stage fund.

CAYUGA VENTURE FUND | Ithaca based
cayugaventures.com
Early stage venture fund.

HIGH PEAKS | Albany based
primary.vc
Early stage venture fund.

NYS INNOVATION FUND | Albany based
bit.ly/esd-ivc
Early stage venture fund.
REGIONAL EXTERNAL FUNDING

CDC FUNDING - NEW YORK BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION | Albany based, with Syracuse Office in the Tech Garden

- nybdc.com
  Alternative lending, SBA loans, loan guarantees, direct lending.

CDFI FUNDING - EXCELSIOR GROWTH FUND |

Albany based, with Syracuse Office in the Tech Garden

- bit.ly/excelsior-gf
  Alternative lending, microloans, technical assistance.

BRIDGE TO SUCCESS PROGRAM - NYBDC | Albany based, with Syracuse Office in the Tech Garden

- bit.ly/nybdc-bs
  Bridge working capital to finance government contracts or grants.

SBIR-STTR FEDERAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS | National, but SBIR-STTR resource specialist on staff in Syracuse

- bit.ly/gov-sbir
  Government funding to develop and commercialize applied research.
REGIONAL
EXTERNAL FUNDING

SBA BASIC FUNDING PROGRAMS | Albany based, with Syracuse Office in the Tech Garden

They provide: Basic 7(a), International Trade Loan, Export Working Capital, SBA Express Working Capital, Export Express Lines of Credit, 504 Loan Program, Microloan Program, Community Advantage, Specialized finance tools (tax credits, etc.) State and local economic development agencies, Government economic development programs, State and local economic development agencies.
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