

Guidelines: Background for Applying to Become a Member at the Entrepreneur Innovation Center Framingham State University

1. The entrepreneur needs to be actively starting an enterprise or have started it in the past 12 months. There is a preference for entrepreneurs who live or work in the MetroWest area and who have a strong interest in developing the business in this region for a couple of years after moving out from the incubator.
2. We seek entrepreneurs who will share their experience with the student interns, and who are willing to give them projects they need help on. Entrepreneurs at the Center need to meet with the student intern working on their project once per week for at least 45 minutes at the Center during the student's semester.
3. Many of the best innovations develop out of random discussions with innovators in other fields.
 - a. The co-work space is particularly interested in having member entrepreneurs who look forward to sharing ideas with others and learning from others.
 - b. We expect that each member will work at the Center an *average* of 12 hours per week, three weeks per month.
4. The ideal entrepreneur member for our Center should be about building an innovative for-profit business, or a not-for-profit, which will eventually grow and expand, creating jobs in the MetroWest area.
5. The business should be a one- or two-person business; no larger than two full-time employees for the first year.
6. To be considered to be one of the **student-as-entrepreneur members** in the Center, the entrepreneur must be a current full-time student at FSU. Part-time students may be considered for a seat if there are not qualified full-time students.
7. An immigrant entrepreneur should be residing in the MetroWest area and be documented.

For questions or to submit an application to be an entrepreneur at the Center, please email innovation@framingham.edu, or email Dr. Robert M. Krim, Director, at rkrim@framingham.edu.

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