Maryland New Venture Fellowship for Cybersecurity

The New Venture Fellowship will provide a scaffold upon which cybersecurity companies can be built across Maryland. Teams of graduate student Fellows, entrepreneurial Mentors, and Technologists from Maryland universities will translate technologies developed to secure our information systems, utilities, infrastructure and supply chains into viable companies.

Apply to be a New Venture Fellow*
*Stipend of up to $10,000

Apply to be a Technologist
Faculty, graduate students or others developing security technology may apply

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Key upcoming dates:
- Applications Open: Sept. 22, 2021
- Kick-off Meeting: Oct. 12, 2021
- Team Selection: Nov. 5, 2021
- I-Corps Program: Jan, 2022
- Pitch Competition: June 2022

More programming to come.
How does the Fellowship work?

bwtech@UMBC, the incubator of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC), and the University System of Maryland were awarded an EDA Venture Challenge grant to create new companies in a diverse cohort that will secure the nation’s interests and create economic opportunities in the region.

Through a rigorous vetting process, graduate students are selected to act as the business lead, under the guidance of experienced entrepreneurial Mentors.

On October 12th, The Fellowship will host a virtual kick-off meeting to answer any questions and to provide additional information.

On November 5th, a virtual Match Making event will pair up Technologists, Mentors and Fellows. This event will include VIPs from both the academic and cyber communities.

Over eight months, the teams will participate in a program that will carve a path forward towards commercialization and to ultimately start a company. The goal is to develop the early stage team who can translate the technology into a viable, successful enterprise.

Teams will meet regularly and participate in curated programming designed to drive commercialization and rapid progress. Fellows will receive a stipend for up to $10,000 and Mentors will receive up to $8,000.