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.

**APPLY:**
bwtech.umbc.edu/programs/maryland-new-venture-fellows/

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

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

A virtual Match Making event will pair up cyber fellows with technologists and mentors. This event will include VIPs from both the academic and cyber communities.

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.

The Fellowship will kick off with a host meeting to answer any questions and to provide additional information.
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.

**Key upcoming dates:**
- **Applications Open:** Sept. - Jan. 2022
- **Kick-Off Event:** Jan. 2022
- **Programming:** Jan. - Jun. 2022
- **Pitch Event Closing:** Jun. 2022

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

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

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