UWM’s Innovation Engine

Fostering Technology Commercialization through Partnership, Entrepreneurship and the I-Corps Program

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Carnegie R1 Research Classification

$62 Million Research Expenditures
33 Doctoral Programs
64 Master’s Programs
~5000 Graduate Students
>750 Undergrad Researchers
$1.5 Billion Impact

Building on a Solid Foundation of Research Excellence
UWMRF Innovation Programs

Programs to Support Research, Innovation and Entrepreneurship
Catalyst Grant Program

Strategic Investments to Foster Partnerships and Commercialization

74 Awards
$4 Million Awarded
18 Licenses and Options
21 Issued Patents
9 Startups
$15 Million Follow On Funding
Fostering Entrepreneurship Across Disciplines and Levels
Optimizing Commercial Success Through Market Discovery
Student Startup Challenge

Cultivating Student Entrepreneurs and Teaching Life Skills
Lubar Center for Entrepreneurship

Maker/Innovation Labs
Collaboration & Co-Working
Touchdown & Launch
Program Delivery/Instruction

A Focal Point for UWM and Community Entrepreneurs

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Innovation Infrastructure

Kenwood Interdisciplinary Research Complex

UWM Innovation Campus

State of the Art Instrumentation

Advanced Prototyping

Shared Facilities

A Variety of Models to Serve

UWM and Partners
Leveraging Partnerships to Grow Research and Commercialize Technologies
Regional Innovation Ecosystem

University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee

Funding Agencies
Research & Academics
Clinical Sites
Supporting Organizations
Service Providers
Capital
Startups
Growth Enterprises
Healthcare
Advanced Manufacturing
Energy
Water
Industry
Regional Innovation Ecosystem

Biomedical/Healthcare

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