

# Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation

Wayne State University offers the Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation at both [undergraduate](#) and [graduate](#) level. The EI certificate is a 15-credit program and up to 9-credits can be used to satisfy the requirements of both your degree program and the certificate program

The program has been designed guide students through their exploration of this growing field and prepare them with the specialized knowledge and skills needed to participate in and lead efforts to develop innovative solutions and start new ventures. The certificate program is open to any student who has been admitted to Wayne State University and the program is designed to work for students from any academic background and for every Wayne State degree program. While the program administration is assigned to the Mike Ilitch School of Business, this is a multidisciplinary certificate program with courses offered across the campus.

There are **two required courses**: An Introductory course, which will be taken as the first course in the program (EI 5000/ 7000 - Introduction to Entrepreneurship and Innovation for 3 credits), and a Capstone course, taken as the final course in the program (EI 6000 / 7900 - Entrepreneurship and Innovation Capstone). Students choose 9 credits of elective courses to be completed after EI 5000/ 7000 and before EI 6000 / 7900. These courses provide students specific additional depth and breadth of knowledge, skills and experiences. The elective courses are developed and provided in collaboration with other Wayne State University schools and colleges. The list of potential elective courses is updated on an ongoing basis.

Additional information regarding the undergraduate certificate program requirements can be found at: <https://ilitchbusiness.wayne.edu/entrepreneurship/undergrad-requirements.php> , and information regarding the graduate certificate program requirements can be found at: <http://ilitchbusiness.wayne.edu/entrepreneurship/grad-requirements.php>

## **Key contacts:**

- Undergraduate EIC Academic Advisor: [Christie Pagel](#)
- Graduate EIC Academic Advisor: [Melissa Sweda](#)
- Director of EIC Program, [Dr. Jeff Stoltman](#)
- Social Entrepreneurship, [Marijo Upshaw](#)

General information: <http://ilitchbusiness.wayne.edu/entrepreneurship/department.php>

# Steps

## Now

Learn more about studying entrepreneurship and innovation at Wayne State University.

- Talk to an advisor – Contact an academic advisor in your home college, or one of the Entrepreneurship and Innovation certificate program advisors: Undergraduate EIC Academic Advisor: [Christie Pagel](#) or Graduate EIC Academic Advisor: [Melissa Sweda](#)
- Contact [Dr. Jeff Stoltman](#) the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Certificate Program Director.
- Register for one of the sections of *Introduction to Entrepreneurship and Innovation* to learn more about the field. Courses are offered every semester and are listed as - **EI 5000** for undergraduate students, and **EI 7000** for graduate students.

## Next

- File an application to complete the certificate program. Contact the Entrepreneurship and Innovation certificate program academic advisors. You must file your application, be admitted to the program, and complete the elective credits before you can register for the final course in the program.
- Complete the additional nine (9) credits of elective coursework.
- Contact program director to discuss your capstone project/ course at least three (3) months prior to your final semester.