

Ontario's COVID-19 Support & Recovery Cohort of AC JumpStart

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The program is funded by [FedDev Ontario](#) [1] and is delivered in partnership with Conestoga College, the University of Guelph, the University of Waterloo, and Wilfrid Laurier University.

Program

AC JumpStart is an innovative seed funding and mentorship program offered by the Accelerator Centre, funded by FedDev Ontario, aimed at helping technology startups establish and grow their business in southern Ontario.

The Accelerator Centre is an award-winning startup accelerator dedicated to building and scaling sustainable, globally competitive companies and giving startups the highest probability of long-term success.

The University of Guelph's [Accelerator Guelph](#) [2] program is based upon the the Accelerator Centre's Accelerator Program. Check out their most recent blog on [COVID-19 Resources for Entrepreneurs](#) [3].

For More Information

For more information visit the Accelerator Centre's [COVID-19 Support and Recovery Cohort page](#) [4].

Description

Ontario's COVID-19 Support & Recovery Cohort of AC JumpStart has been launched to help entrepreneurs, researchers and companies bring solutions and products to the public at an accelerated rate.

We need innovation now more than ever. AC JumpStart is here to help bring your pandemic-inspired products and services to as many people as possible, as quickly as possible. Clients in this exclusive 10-month cohort of our AC JumpStart program will improve universal circumstances during the COVID-19 pandemic, while paving the way for an enhanced, healthier tomorrow.

Applications from all companies, entrepreneurs, innovators, and researchers who are ready to offer solutions to the COVID-19 outbreak by pivoting or accelerating their business growth to

help Ontario recover during—and thrive following—the pandemic.

Applications are encouraged from a wide range of sectors, including but not limited to:

- Automation
- Distance education
- Food supply
- Labour force retraining
- MedTech
- Personal protective equipment
- Public Health
- Remote Work

Eligibility

Companies must be based in southern Ontario (as defined by FedDev Ontario) and be incorporated within Canada (or show proof of plan to incorporate). Additional eligibility requirements of AC JumpStart are listed in the ?[AC JumpStart Application Guidelines](#) [5].

Funding Availability

- \$30,000 in seed capital - funds must be matched by grant recipients
- 10 months (up to \$10,000 of in-kind services) of one-to-one mentorship from the AC's team of in-house experts

Project Duration

10- month cohort

Special Notes

Please refer to the [Office of Research COVID 19 web-page](#) [6] for directives related to research activities at the University of Guelph.

Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.

Type

Date

External Deadline

Tuesday, April 28, 2020 - 11:59pm

How to Apply

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[COVID-19 - AC JumpStart Application Form](#) [7]

For Questions, please contact

If you have any questions about the program or the application process, please email the AC JumpStart program lead: larmstrong@acceleratorcentre.com [8]

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Links

[1] <http://www.feddevontario.gc.ca/eic/site/723.nsf/intro>

[2] <https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/innovation/commercialize/accelerator-guelph>

[3] <https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/innovation/news/2020/04/covid-19-resources-entrepreneurs>

[4] <https://www.acceleratorcentre.com/covid-19>

[5] https://uploads-ssl.webflow.com/5c743c895d98add16f48d5df/5d640b96346aae60997c5e64_AC%20JumpStart%20Application%20Guidelines%20Fall%202019.pdf

[6] <https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/article/2019-novel-coronavirus-information>

[7] <https://ac.blitzen.com/form/d851d94656c8c463152b1fd033041f>

[8] <mailto:larmstrong@acceleratorcentre.com>