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For African students and recent graduates who want to solve pressing problems and bring entrepreneurial ideas to life.

The Jim Leech Mastercard Foundation Fellowship on Entrepreneurship gives African students and recent graduates the opportunity to access training, resources, financial support and a network of mentors to develop their entrepreneurial skills and start building their own venture. The 8-month program develops the exceptional entrepreneurial skillset and mindset of leaders to drive social and financial impact.

Applications for the 2024 cohort are open!

Join a cohort of entrepreneurs from across Africa in this tiered program that provides free training and mentorship to launch a venture alongside like-minded peers around the world. Demonstrate your commitment to make it to the final stage and receive a \$500 stipend

<https://www.queensu.ca/innovationcentre/programs/jim-leech-mastercard-foundation-fellowship-entrepreneurship>

The Jim Leech Mastercard Foundation Fellowship gives you the confidence, resources, knowledge, network, and financial support to build a start-up with an impact. For African students and recent grads with a desire to solve pressing problems and bring entrepreneurial ideas to life, the program is split into three online courses where you will learn the foundations of entrepreneurship, receive virtual coaching, develop your own business idea, and demonstrate your commitment in order to advance to the next course.

Program dates:

Applications are due December 4, 2023 at midnight your local time.

Phase 1 - Explore Entrepreneurship January 2024 - February 2024

Phase 2 - Ignite Entrepreneurship March 2024 - April 2024

Phase 3 - Launch Entrepreneurship May 2024 - August 2024

If you have any questions, please contact jimleechfellowship@queensu.ca

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The closing date for the 2024 Jim Leech Mastercard Foundation Fellowship is the

4 December 2023.