

MIKE LOYA CENTER FOR INNOVATION & COMMERCE

MLCIC

Building Futures Through Entrepreneurship

Innovation can happen anywhere at UTEP. Students, faculty, and researchers bring ideas, expertise, and perspectives that can address challenges in our region and beyond. The Mike Loya Center for Innovation and Commerce (MLCIC) believes entrepreneurship is a skill set that can be developed across disciplines and career paths. We connect people with the knowledge, mentorship, resources, and opportunities they need to move from ideas to action.

Creating Opportunities

Learn by applying entrepreneurial concepts to real challenges.

Connect students, faculty, researchers, mentors, entrepreneurs, & industry partners.

Develop skills in problem-solving, communication, leadership, pitching, & more.

Entrepreneurs, industry professionals & alumni, provide guidance and connections.

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HOW WE SUPPORT



Entrepreneurship Education

Building entrepreneurial mindsets and skills through workshops, courses, talks, and experiential learning.



Student Entrepreneurship

Helping students explore ideas, develop solutions, connect with mentors, and pursue entrepreneurial opportunities.



Faculty Innovation

Supporting faculty and researchers as they explore innovation, entrepreneurship, commercialization, & connections with the marketplace.



Competitions & Challenges

Creating opportunities to develop, test, and pitch ideas while receiving feedback from experienced professionals.



Mentorship & Ecosystem Connections

Connecting the UTEP community with entrepreneurs, industry leaders, alumni, investors, and regional partners.



Innovation & Commercialization

Working alongside the Office of Technology Commercialization to help move promising university innovations toward market opportunities.

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