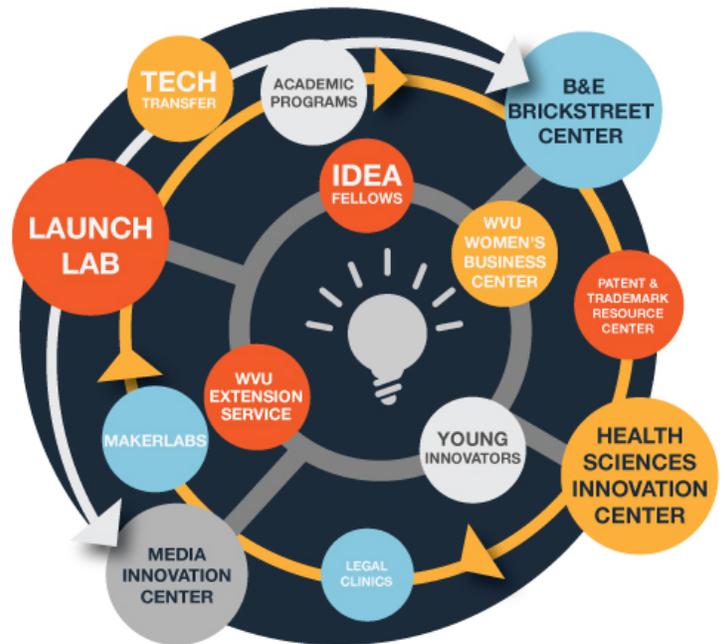




2018-2020

Innovation, Design and Entrepreneurship Academy (IDEA) Faculty Fellows

The IDEA Fellows champion innovation and entrepreneurship in the classroom and beyond.



Andrea Kent, Political Science, WVU Tech



Dr. Kent will modify an existing course on global political issues. The course will encourage students to develop innovative solutions to real-world challenges in areas including development, food, population, technology, energy and the environment. Using strategies and skills from their respective disciplines, students will aim to tackle these broad issues through a range of disciplinary approaches. Students' solutions may include policy development, community building, data collection and synthesis, design and engineering innovation.

Amy Weaver, Business Management Technology and Computer Information Systems, Potomac State College

Ms. Weaver will modify an existing business management course designed to provide students across disciplines with an introduction to the entrepreneurial mindset and its significance to the economy and local communities. Aspects of the course will include the identification of entrepreneurial opportunities and resources for the pursuit.



Keri Whitacre, Psychology, Potomac State College

Ms. Whitacre will modify an existing psychology course to infuse social entrepreneurship in the classroom so that students will evolve to the next level of creative and applied problem-solving. They will also be instructed how to effectively formulate and articulate change around social issues.



Adrienne E. Williams, Biology, WVU Tech

Dr. Williams will develop a biology course to introduce students to translational science, the types of research that are conducted under translational science, the developmental processes to generate new approaches and technologies, and the identification of resources and models to address distinct scientific challenges. Particular attention will be paid to improving individual core strengths and to integrating individuals' disciplinary knowledge into practical multi-disciplinary applications.

