

#### DAVID ECCLES SCHOOL OF BUSINESS





### ENTREPRENEUR YOUR STARTUP. GET A MASTER'S.







# **Program Overview**

The Master of Business Creation (MBC) is an award-winning program at the University of Utah's David Eccles School of Business for selected entrepreneurs to grow and accelerate their startup. It offers founders a unique, integrated, application-focused curricula, intense one-on-one mentoring, and experienced faculty to help founders find product-market-fit and grow sales.

Established in 2019, the MBC has launched 10 founder cohorts with more than 200 companies have experienced this unique program. The MBC was designed to combine the best of a graduate businessdegree program taught by leading scholars with the best features of a rigorous startup accelerator.

Think of the MBC as an **MBA for entrepreneurs**, providing a full toolkit of due diligence verified outcomes. Participants need an early stage, revenue generating startup to be considered for the program.



# **MBC Global Overview**

MBC recently announced plans to take its award-winning U.S. Online program globally. We launched the first global cohort of 20 companies in Africa in August 2024. Plan in place to expand to all regions across the globe by 2026.

**Mission**: Help entrepreneurs to successfully launch and grow their companies and build a global community of "doers" and "dreamers"

**Objective**: Become the preeminent, U.S. accredited, global online graduate degree for entrepreneurs

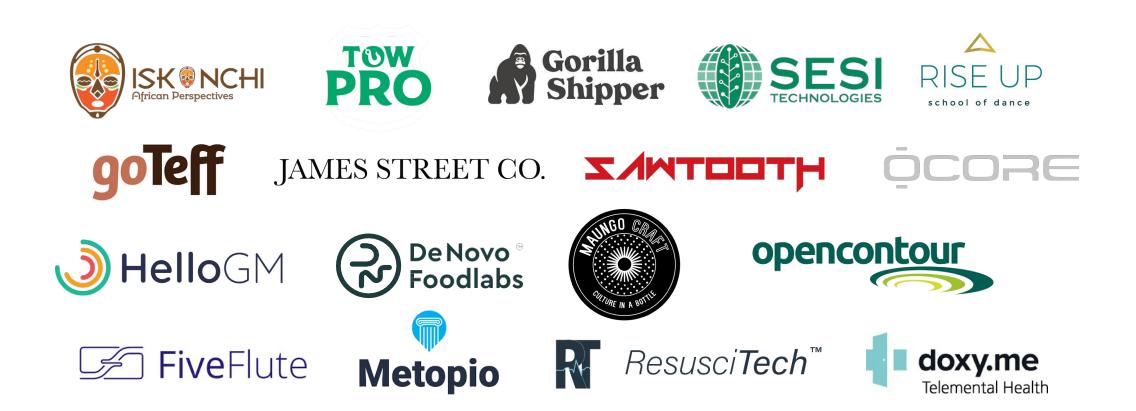


### **MBC Global - Africa**





## **Accelerating Startups**





### **Testimonials**



"One of the things I really love about the program is that you have mentors that are really committed to guiding you, assisting you, and helping you become successful."

– Isaac Sesi, founder of Sesi
 Technologies MBC graduate



"The MBC program is really timely for me in getting everything essentially down in case I do want a raise, in case I do want to go venture. All those skillsets are here for me to use in case I take those pivots."

Yasmin Khan, founder of Khalm
 Skincare, MBC graduate



"The MBC program is likely the best thing to happen to me as an entrepreneur. The courses are so thoughtfully crafted to cater directly to our specific businesses."

– Kenechi Uzor, founder of Iskanchi
 Press, MBC founder

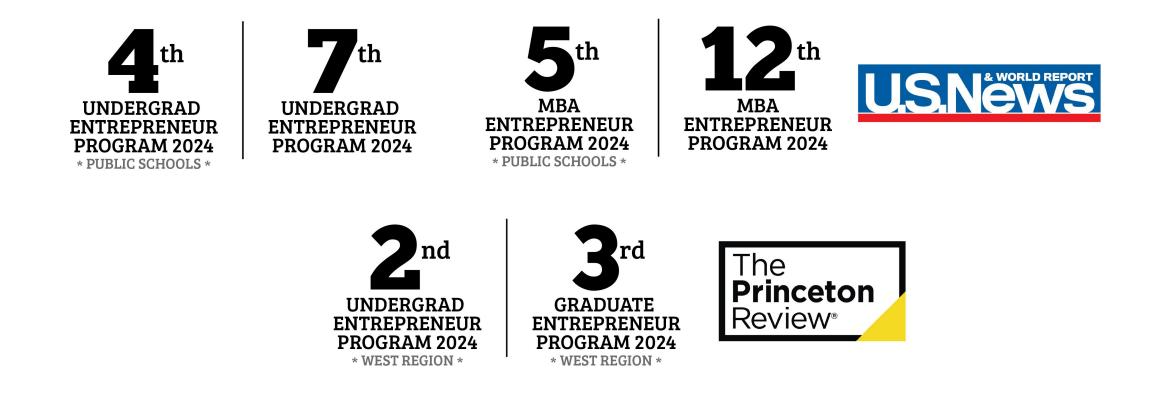


### ENTREPRENEUR AT A TOP 10 PROGRAM





## **Top Ranked for Entrepreneurship**





# **Award-Winning Program**

Innovations that Inspire



**Professional-Services Innovation** 



Excellence in Entrepreneurship Teaching





# **Utah's Ideal Ecosystem**



#1 State to Start a Business 2023



**#1 State for** Entrepreneurs 2018



#2 University for Unicorns 2023 Forbes

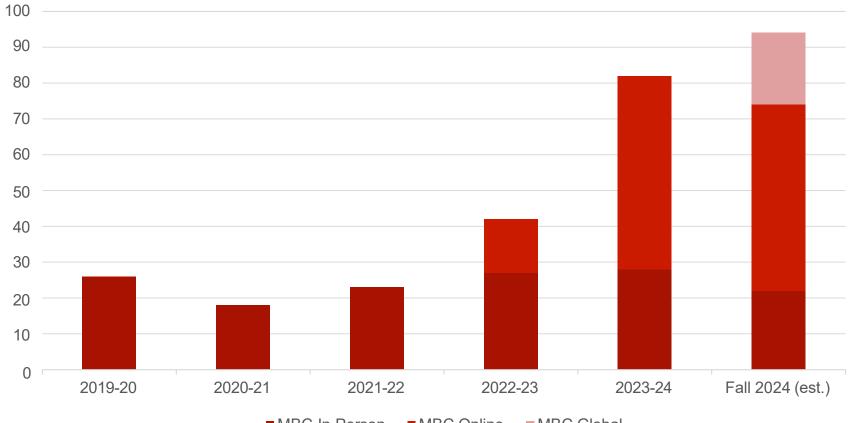
**#1 State for** Entrepreneurs 2019



Best Performing Cities 2022 Forbes #1 State for GDP Growth 2023



## **Rapid Enrollment Growth**



■ MBC In-Person ■ MBC Online ■ MBC Global



# Why MBC?

- Top-10 ranked for entrepreneurship
- Focused on your startup
- Accelerator meets business degree
- Build and scale a new business
- Keep your equity
- Participate online
- Intensive one-on-one mentoring

- High value and affordable program
- Access to U.S./other regions
- Global community (alumni, mentors)
- Support resources
- High-quality education
- Learn by doing
- Cohort structure



## **Basics of MBC**

- Like a startup accelerator, but focused on deeper, integrated, operational learning
- <u>Award-winning</u> graduate business degree
- <u>Unique partnership</u> between the University of Utah's Department of Entrepreneurship & Strategy and the Lassonde Entrepreneur Institute
- Online format: 3 semesters
- <u>Requires admission</u> to the University of Utah Graduate School & MBC program





# **Designed to Accelerate Startups**

#### **Requires a Viable Startup**

- Not a product-development program
- If you have sales, you are probably ready
- If you only have an idea, you are not ready
- If you don't have revenue, we look for work you've done to validate your idea: prototype, beta product, market validation, competitive studies, legal entity formation

#### **Program Welcomes Diverse Businesses**

- Software, products, services, non-profits, mission-focused enterprises
- Investor-backed and lifestyle business
- Some business types are <u>not</u> a good fit for program (hobby businesses, franchises, professional services)



# **Designed for Entrepreneurs**

- No traditional homework, textbooks, research papers, exams, etc.
- <u>Teach immediately relevant concepts</u> for founders to apply to startups
- <u>Due diligence focus</u> of program (including 40+ specific deliverables)
- Intense personal mentorship (1-on-1 meetings & regular board meetings)
- <u>Partner programs</u> for support



## **ENTREPRENEUR IN AN AWARD-WINNING PROGRAM**







# More Than an 'Online' Program

### **MBC Global Online**

- Cohorts enter fall and spring
- · Remote asynchronous delivery with optional in-person gatherings
- Intense one-on-one and group meetings with academic facilitator to guide through program
- 3 semesters (more flexible timeframe)
- Other employment allowed
- Intense one-on-one mentoring with preceptors (mentors)
- Top-10 entrepreneurship program
- Funding ecosystem
- Help building your startup



# **Unique Curriculum**

<ul> <li>Developing Your Business Model</li> </ul>	Competitive Dynamics for Entrepreneurs
<ul> <li>Legal Issues, Contracting</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Leading and Growing</li></ul>
& Negotiation for Entrepreneurs	the Entrepreneurial Enterprise
Testing Your Business Model	Program Workshops
<ul> <li>Business Creation (Leadership,</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Business Launch (Governance, Board,</li></ul>
Marketing/Sales, Financial Statements,	Advisors, Insurance, Capital Structure &
Raising Capital & Valuation)	Taxes)
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**Note:** MBC Global curriculum features full U.S. content by topic plus localized supplements by region



# **Requirements & Costs**

#### **Application Requirements**

- Bachelor's degree (4-year degree required)
- Minimum of 3.0 GPA (with some exceptions)
- Description of company

(revenue-generating or close-to- revenuegenerating company required)

- Video describing your company
- Brief essay
- English proficiency test (if applicable)

#### **Program Costs**

(Subject to Change)

- \$16,000 USD total tuition costs
- Excludes application/seat fees



## **Application Deadlines**

**Enroll in Fall 2025 (Select Locations)** 

(Subject to Change)

<u>Aug. 1, 2024</u> – Application opens <u>March 20, 2025</u> – Priority application deadline <u>June 15, 2025</u> – Regular application deadline <u>Aug. 7, 2025</u> – Final application deadline <u>Aug. 18, 2025</u> – Classes start



**Case Studies** 





Gourmet jams, sauces, and syrups from African marula fruit

maungocraft.com







An online, data science, and marketing automation platform

cinch.io







Empowering hoteliers through data science and a single user interface for management systems

hellogm.com







Improving patient care through telemedicine

doxy.me





#### Affordable solutions for African farmers

sesitechnologies.com

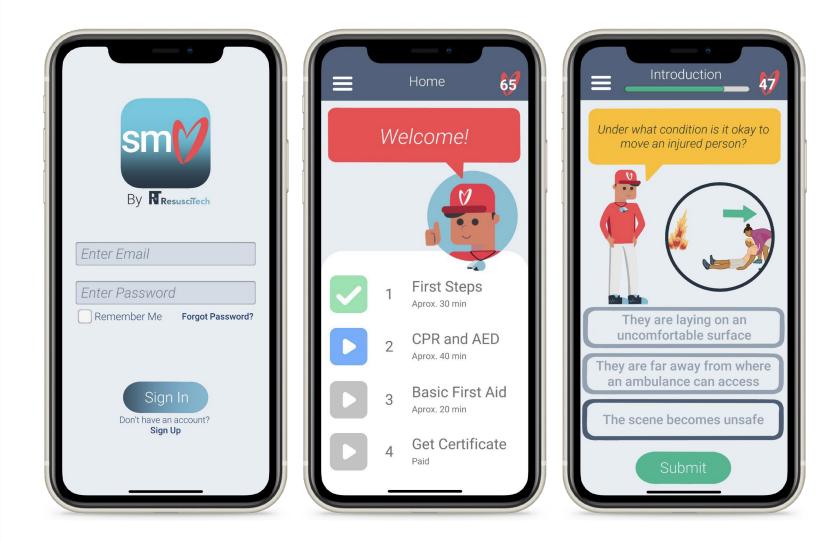




#### Multi-site specialty pie bakeries and mail order business on Maryland shore

mandalapies.com







Saving lives through better CRP training using smartphones

resuscitech.io





# goTeff

A superfood and wellness brand using the ancient teff grain

www.goteff.com





#### **OneHealth+**

Improving global health through financial innovation

myonehealthplus.com





Easy-to-use data science tools for understanding populations and places

<u>metop.io</u>





#### A publishing house for African voices

iskanchi.com





## Automated solutions for truck-driver recruitment

blendydstudios.io







High-quality packaging options for a vast array of products

gorillashipper.com







Luxury skincare products made with oud, a resin from the agarwood tree

khalmskincare.com





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