ICCE Coordinating Group Final Report – 2022-2023 AY

## Membership

Chair(s): Bob Kolvoord Members: Mike Busing, Rubén Graciani, Keith Holland, Nick Swartz, Bethany Nowviskie

**Charge:** To provide strategy and vision for Innovation, Creativity, Collaboration and Entrepreneurship (ICCE) across campus and interface with other academic leaders to make sure students and faculty across campus can participate in ICCE activities. The Coordinating Group also works with the ICCE Council to support and grow ICCE activities in a broadly coordinated way.

## Summary of Current Semester Activity:

- The College of Business partnered with X-Labs to engage Eric Major ('91) in the first Trailblazer Course, *Medical Innovations*. This course addressed local and global challenges in healthcare, introduced students to emerging and transformative technology, and equipped them to develop innovative solutions to health care needs.
- The Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers awarded JMU's Gilliam Center for Entrepreneurship first place (over MIT iHQ (Innovation Headquarters), Nova Southeastern University, Technical University of Denmark, and University of Suffolk in the Emerging Entrepreneurship Center (>5,000 students) category.
- The Dukes Venture Accelerator summer program will provide a \$4,000 stipend and up to \$1,000 reimbursement to 14 student entrepreneurs, including two Blue Ridge Community College students.
- The Bluestone Seed Fund awarded funding to ten ventures, totaling \$55,000. The fund's assets now exceed \$250,000.
- The Fallon Challenge is now part of the entrepreneurship pathway (programming) for the Gilliam Center for Entrepreneurship. Other major programming includes Madison Inc., Dukes Venture Accelerator, and the Bluestone Seed Fund.
- The renovation of Carrier Library has begun, and Libraries is collaborating with Advancement on fundraising strategies to support ICCE activities and sustain the variety of spaces for innovation, collaboration, and creativity that will be constructed.
- The Libraries has relocated 3SPACE, Carrier's 3d printing classroom, to Lakeside Hall for the duration of the renovation. In terms of other especially ICCE-relevant services, Carrier Makery has been consolidated into the makerspace in Rose Library, both business librarians are now housed in Hartman Hall, and a new "Libraries Express" location for additional student and faculty support has been opened on South Main Street. Digital Scholarship staff are now located on the first floor of Moody.

- Two new Mellon-funded hires have been made in the Libraries and one in CAL to support the Flowerings Project, an ongoing collaboration between the Libraries and the Furious Flower Poetry Center. These professional faculty members are organizing scholarly events and helping to curate and build infrastructure for new media archives and born-digital scholarship.
- The Libraries hosted or co-organized over 100 events this academic year, including conferences, film screenings, author talks, and numerous workshops and training sessions for faculty and students, offered by makerspace and studio staff, librarians, and instructional designers.
- We concluded our five session seminar series on Blockchain technology in March. Each of the sessions was recorded and are being made available to campus.
- We've continued to consult with Anthony Tongen, Besi Muhonja and Patrice Ludwig on the reenvisioning of X-Labs.
- The Future of Work project continued with focus group sessions for both the Ole School Alumni Group and the Federal Dukes (2 sessions).

## Future Work Planned:

- We will support the onboarding of the new X-Labs Director and the continued reenvisioning of X-Labs
- We will explore current P&T documents in CISE, CoB, CVPA, and Libraries to understand how innovation and entrepreneurship are valued, and tie this to the national PTIE effort.
- We will continue to explore what R-2 designation might mean for ICCE activities.