

Green Technology Innovations

The annual GTEA is a springboard for moving green tech out of the lab and into the world.

WITH THE GROWING ENVIRONMENTAL and climate change crisis, the need for commercially sustainable energy and resource conservation becomes ever more urgent. The challenge lies in translating environmentally sustainable technologies into valued market solutions and viable business ventures.

The one-week Green Technology Entrepreneurship Academy is open to science and engineering senior undergraduates, graduate students, postdoctoral researchers and faculty working on research in green technologies. The academy combines seminars and networking sessions in an innovative format to help researchers learn how to commercialize their technology.

Accepted applicants receive fellowships to cover room, board and tuition. Open to applicants from U.S. and international universities.

Green Technology Entrepreneurship Academy
June 27 – July 1, 2011 at UC Davis
entrepreneurship.ucdavis.edu/green



"GTEA provided us with a wealth of resources that were absolutely necessary for our progression as a commercially viable entity. The knowledge and experience provided by the multitude of executives, investors, and attorneys was invaluable in directing our first steps beyond the university."

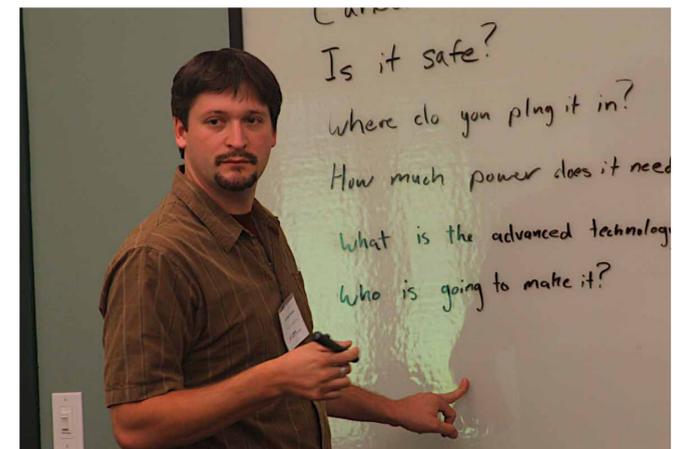
—John Bissell, GTEA 2008 Alumnus and founder, CEO, Micromidas.
 Micromidas converts carbon found in organic wastewater into degradable and recyclable bioplastics.



Students participate in an innovation exercise. The five-day intensive academy provides participants with focused lectures, practical exercises, and hands-on experiences designed to give them the knowledge, skills, and networks to explore how their research can make broader impact in industry, the marketplace, and the world.



A mentoring session at the GTEA. The GTEA is taught by venture capitalists, entrepreneurs, university faculty, industry executives and angel investors from across the country that serve as mentors as well as guest faculty, providing participants with the knowledge and networks needed to take the next steps toward commercialization.



Many scientists would like to see their research change the way we produce or consume energy; treat our wastewater; or monitor and treat toxins in our environment. The GTEA provides the tools for putting those two together; once that happens, real and sustainable change can follow.

—Andrew Hargadon, Professor, Graduate School of Management.

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