

# iFoundry

## Weekly Newsletter

*Happy Spring iCommunity! Below is a list of exciting opportunities that are available to you in the coming months including our end of the year iCelebration which will be held on April 28<sup>th</sup>. We are looking forward to celebrating an exciting first year of the iFoundry program and hope to see everyone there.*

### **Save the Date:**

April 10- TEDxUIUC Streams Live  
April 17- Creative Entrepreneurship Workshop  
April 28- iCelebration 5-7pm

### **Come One, Come all to iCelebration!**

Come relax with the iCommunity at a social event to celebrate iFoundry's founding class, **as we remember great beginnings, share growing aspirations and anticipate the journey ahead.** All members of the iCommunity are invited to celebrate iFoundry's successful first year at the NCSA Auditorium from 5-7pm on April 28<sup>th</sup>. **Register** for the event at <https://illinois.edu/fb/sec/9745415>. Hope to see everyone there!

### **Creative Entrepreneurship Workshop-**

In a globalizing and challenging economy, the next generation of creative entrepreneurs will be reinventing the business world. Join featured speaker Laura Hollis of the University of Illinois, Carl Nordgren of *Minogi*, Zach Kaplan of *Inventables*, Phil Tadros of *Doejo*, Loran Nordgren of *Kellogg*, James Interlandi of *Virtual General Counsel*, Michael Bell of *Fronterion*, Nate Kontny of *Inkling Markets*, Vishu Ramanathan of *ThinkLink*, Jonathan Naber of the *Illini Prosthetics Team*, Darren Marshall of *Doejo*, Jason Tillery of *ThinkLink*, Matt Gornick of *OrangeQC*, Ken Taylor of *Yahoo*, and David Weinstein of the *Illinois Innovation Accelerator Fund at the Creative Entrepreneurship Workshop* that will guide you through the creative processes of founding your startup, avoiding startup pitfalls, and connecting with creative entrepreneurs in the Midwest and abroad. **The conference will be held on April 17<sup>th</sup> at the University of Chicago from 1-5pm. To register for the event, visit [Minogi.com/Chicago](http://Minogi.com/Chicago). For questions regarding transportation, email Islam Sharabash at [islam.sharabash@gmail.com](mailto:islam.sharabash@gmail.com).**

### **TEDxUIUC Streams Live**

TEDxUIUC, the TED-licensed conference that takes place at the College of Business this Saturday, will be **streaming the conference live over the internet starting at 10:15 am on**

**April 10.** The 17 live presentations, 19 speakers and performers, and 6 prerecorded videos — all in 3 sessions — promise an exhilarating event. To log directly onto the live stream, go to [http://flash.atlas.illinois.edu/video.html?player=HDLIVE&src=/TEDxUIUC\\_live](http://flash.atlas.illinois.edu/video.html?player=HDLIVE&src=/TEDxUIUC_live) . All are invited to tune into the stream.

### **Are you interested in becoming an ELA for iEFX next semester?**

We are looking for **several motivated undergraduate students** to be mentors and lab instructors for the newest version of ENG100++. As iFoundry students that have taken ENG100++, and having learned the Missing Basics and having successfully completed both of your projects, **we consider you to be the most qualified individuals for this very important task.**

Your responsibilities will include:

- 1) Mentoring the incoming freshmen on their projects
- 2) Maintaining student grades and grading
- 3) Teaching one lab session per week and keeping at least one office hour in the lab

Although this is a fully paid position, you will also gain something that's great for your resume, an invaluable teaching experience, and the full satisfaction of helping new and grateful students fully appreciate the joys of engineering through the eyes of their peers. We really hope that you will consider this very exciting opportunity.

By the way, we also have an exciting **new lab space in DCL** that will be awesome to work in! **Ready to volunteer? Have any questions?** Contact Karen Hyman or Tracey Johnson in the iFoundry office [kkhyman@illinois.edu](mailto:kkhyman@illinois.edu) and [tjohnsn@illinois.edu](mailto:tjohnsn@illinois.edu)