

GRADUATE BUSINESS NEWS

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UToledo Star Alumni Column

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Through a partnership between UToledo and Monroe College, I was provided with a graduate assistantship. UToledo's generous sponsorship program and rigorous curriculum have paved the road to my success. Due to my entrepreneurial spirit, my goal has always been to start a company. For that reason, I frequented UToledo sponsored events such as Startup Weekend and Pitch & Pour. During a Startup Weekend meetup, I met my cofounder, an electrical engineering doctoral student. We quickly realized that we were the perfect team. Since our passions and goals were aligned, we decided to start our company, KienticAL. Our company is compiling algorithms developed for our manufacturing clients to create an all-in-one module-based factory automation toolkit. My degree has prepared me for the various trials and tribulations that occur when managing a startup. I am especially appreciative for the leadership, entrepreneurship, and the Student Managed Portfolio courses. I apply the knowledge and skills learned from these courses to daily company operations.

Advice for incoming students:

- 1) Fully utilize the UToledo resources available
- 2) Make meaningful connections while in college
- 3) Implementation > ideas
- 4) Maintain quantitative goals
- 5) Build yourself daily

Office of Graduate Programs

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm Call in advance to schedule appointments at 419.530.5680

Dates to Remember:

01/10: Spring Tuition payment due 01/20: Martin Luther King Day 01/21: First Day of Spring Classes 01/31: Deadline to apply for Graduation 01/27: Last day to web-register for Spring 02/04: Last Day to Add/Drop Classes 03/09-03/13: Spring Break 03/18: Fall 2020 registration begins 04/03: Last Day to Withdraw 05/04-05-08: Finals Week 05/08: Spring COBI Convocation 05/09: Spring University Commencement 05/12: Spring grades due 05/22: Deadline to apply for Summer 2020 Graduation

Events:

Resume Critiques February 20th & 26th

> COBI Job Fair February 27th

JC Penny Suit Up Event March 1st

COBI Commencement Ceremony May 8th

University Commencement May 9th

RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS!

1. Center for Student Advocacy and Wellness

The Center for Student Advocacy and Wellness provides free and confidential trauma-informed counseling and advocacy services for those students, staff, and faculty that are affected by sexual misconduct, sexual harassment, interpersonal dating violence/domestic violence, and stalking. Advocates provide crisis support for victims, one-on-one meetings, referrals to additional support services, support during legal, student conduct proceedings, and Title IX investigations. Our Counselor provides individual trauma-informed, client-centered counseling using cognitive behavioral therapy, EMDR, internal family systems, and mindfulness.

Location:

Health and Human Services building Rm 3017 Walk-ins welcome between 8:15 am-5:00 pm

2. Learning Enhancement Center



As a learning center, our mission is to provide all University of Toledo students with accessible, professional, academic support services that enhance success and retention.

Location:

Carlson Library, Main Campus Lower Level, Rathbun Cove, Room B0200

Phone: 419.530.2176

Get Involved!

The Graduate Student Association

(GSA) is an organization that strives to voice the concerns of graduate students, representing the 4,924 graduate students at The University of Toledo, while also providing funding to subsidize travel to conferences and symposiums. colleges. Together, we maintain UToledo as a first rate institution for graduate education, across all fields of study working to improve the human condition.

For complete information, please visit https://graduatestudentassociation blog.wordpress.com/

COBI Business Innovation Competition

If you have a great business idea, this may be your chance to **win up to \$10,000** to help you establish your business. The College of Business and Innovation (COBI) invites The University of Toledo faculty, staff and students to participate in a business innovation competition detailing your unique business idea.

This competition reflects UToledo's belief in innovative thinking and is intended to advance a creative culture of growth in all areas of the University.

Questions or comments on the competition can be directed to: Dr. Sonny Ariss - Management Department Chair, 419.530.4060

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