QUICK FACTS: Columbia Startup Lab

Program Details

- Columbia Startup Lab (CSL) is Columbia University's young-alumni co-working space located on the ground floor of WeWork - Soho West.

Program Description

- Admitted teams may spend up to one year in the space, and are required to commit to a minimum of four months.
- The space is administered by WeWork and includes furnishings (desk/chair/small cabinet), WiFi, water/coffee, cleaning/maintenance and access to common facilities across the global WeWork network.
- CSL provides ongoing workshops, office hours, networking events, and community building activities to help resident ventures advance their businesses.
- Columbia University affiliated tenants are required to commit to a four-month term in the space at a rate of $250 per month/per seat. Non-Columbia University team members will be required to pay $400 per month/per seat.

Eligibility

- CSL is open to recent alumni (five years or less from most recent degree).
- Teams must select one Columbia University-affiliated founding member.
- Only one application per team will be considered, regardless of the school in which the founder is affiliated.

Application Requirements

- An application is required for consideration.

Selection Process

- The selection committee reviews applications. All eligible teams are required to interview with members of the selection committee for consideration.

Evaluation Criteria

- Teams are evaluated based on the following:
  - Commitment to launching venture and working on it full-time
  - Involvement in entrepreneurial community at Columbia and in NYC
  - Demonstration of community involvement overall

Admission Decisions

- Announced in early April. A waitlist is used to fill seats that become vacant throughout the term.

Questions?

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