

### GE - 7: Economics of Startups

Course Title	Total Credits	Components			Eligibility Criteria	Prerequisite if any
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Economics of Startups	4	3	1	0	Class XII Pass	NIL

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**Pre-requisites:** None

#### Course Objective:

To give the students an overview of startups and its types that would help students to understand basics of starting up new ventures. The challenges they could face while starting up with new business. To enable students to explore, launch entrepreneurial ventures in their own areas of interest.

#### Learning Outcomes

After successful compilation of the course students will be able to

- Understand the process and working of a startup.
- Identify the different ways in which entrepreneurs manifest in start-ups.
- Know how to create one's own business venture and the various factors that influence successful set-up and sustainable operations.
- Explore the funding and other institutions supporting small business units.

#### Course Structure

##### Unit 1: Startup, Generation & Experimentation (12 hours)

Concept of Startup, Role of digital technologies, Startup ecosystems, the startup movement in India; Generating a value proposition, how valuable are new ideas, Design thinking principles; Experimenting with the prototype, Introduction to lean start-ups, Lean startup principles, Learning and failing fast.

##### Unit 2: Building the Business Plan (20 hours)

Beginning Considerations: Building a competitive advantage. The strategic management processes. Conducting a feasibility analysis. Forms of Business ownership. Franchising and entrepreneurship. Buying an existing business, marketing and financial considerations: Building a powerful marketing plan. E-commerce and Entrepreneur. Pricing strategies. Creating a successful financial plan. Choosing the right location and layout.

### **Unit 3: Crafting business models and Lean Start-ups: (16 hours)**

Introduction to business models; Creating value propositions-conventional industry logic, value innovation logic; customer focused innovation; building and analysing business models; Business model canvas, Business Pitching.

### **Unit 4. Institutions Supporting Small Business Enterprises and ethics: (12 hours)**

Central level institutions. State level institutions. Other agencies. Industry Associations. Class exercise- discussions on current government schemes supporting entrepreneurship and finding out which scheme will most suit the business plan devised by the student. Importance of Ethical Entrepreneurship, value of ethics to an entrepreneur.

#### **References:**

1. Scarborough, N. M., Cornwall, J. R., & Zimmerer, T. (2016). Essentials of entrepreneurship and small business management. Boston. Pearson Publications.
2. Hisrich, R.D., Manimala, M.J., Peters, M.P., Shepherd, D.A., Entrepreneurship, Tata McGraw Hill.
3. Shukla, M.B., Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management. Kitab Mahal Publishers.

#### **Additional Readings**

1. Hishrich, R.D. and Peters, M. Entrepreneurship. Irwin Publications.
2. Barringer, B.R. and Ireland, R. Duane. Entrepreneurship: Successfully launching new ventures. (6th Edition) Pearson
3. Kuratko, D.F., and Rao, T.V., Entrepreneurship: A South-Asian Perspective. Cengage Publications.
4. Shankar, R., Entrepreneurship: Theory and Practice. Tata McGraw Hill.
5. Kathleen, R Allen. Launching New Ventures: An Entrepreneurial Approach. Cengage Learning.
6. Fisher, Steve and Duane, Ja-Nae. The Startup Equation - A Visual Guidebook for Building Your Startup. Mc Graw Hill Education India Pvt. Ltd.

#### **Teaching - Learning Process**

Three lecture and one tutorial per week. Case study discussion, Class presentation on the assigned topic by students individually or in group, Workshop, Role play.

Class exercise- select an industry that has several competing small firms in your area. Contact these firms and compare their approaches to determining prices, financial plan and location. Based on this analysis build your “own” business plan

#### **Assessment Method**

Total Marks – 100

Practical – 0

IA -25

End semester exam - 75