

IMPACT ^{///} INNOVATION



OHIO
UNIVERSITY

Our ecosystem

Ohio University is invested in the growth of the region and state, and our dedication to an ecosystem of entrepreneurship is unmatched.

In its first year of operations, the Leveraging Innovation Gateways and Hubs Toward Sustainability (LIGHTS) program assisted 57 startup and existing business clients with 133 employees during its first year. Those companies have revenues of more than \$33 million.

LIGHTS serves a
28
county region in Ohio,
West Virginia, and
Kentucky

On the Cover

Professor John Sabraw, an advocate for creating sustainable art, is currently working on a project that uses iron runoff from old coal mines to manufacture new paint pigments.

Ohio University is a hotbed of paleontological research

Ohio University's internationally recognized paleontologists are helping to redefine the field of paleontology and our understanding of the past.



Mansourasaurus shahinae, a well-preserved, school-bus-length, long-necked, plant-eating dinosaur, was discovered by Ohio University paleontologists and others. This finding reveals an ancient link between Africa and Europe.



Washington Post:
Scientists discover 'the holy grail of dinosaurs' in Africa

Shingopana songwensis, a new species of sauropod dinosaur in Tanzania was found—a collaborative international effort led by Ohio University paleontologists.

INNOVATION AND IMPACT

Ohio University is home to the Innovation Center, the first University-based business incubator in the state of Ohio and just the

12th
in the United States



The Innovation Center has been helping entrepreneurs turn their promising ideas into flourishing businesses since 1983. The Innovation Center, the University's small business incubator, supported 227 jobs that generated an estimated \$10.1 million in employee compensation in Athens County in 2016.

227
JOBS
supported by
the Innovation Center

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Our people

The students, faculty, and staff of Ohio University are the driving force for innovation and impact in the state and beyond. We celebrate their accomplishments!



**Entrepreneurship
Educator
of the Year**

Ohio University professor and entrepreneurial leader Dr. Luke Pittaway has been named the Entrepreneurship Educator of the Year, a lifetime achievement award, by the United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

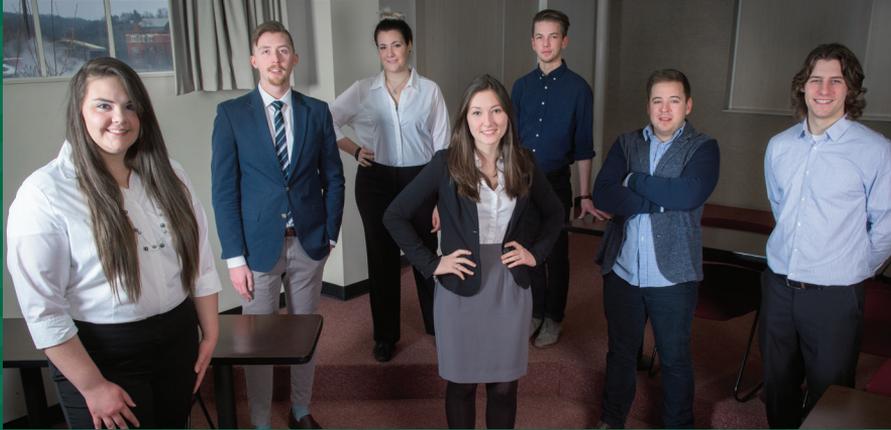
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STUDENTS
from across the globe

Two Ohio University students have been selected as Stanford University Innovation Fellows, a program that empowers students to become leaders of change and create opportunities for entrepreneurship at their own universities. Just more than 200 fellows from across the globe were named. This brings the total number of OHIO fellows—in just four years—to seven.



Our ingenuity

From creative space and freedom to providing the support needed to thrive, Ohio University is constantly looking for ways for our communities to exceed expectations.



Ohio University has dedicated \$1 million to the development of the C-Suite, a hub for campus-wide student innovation, creativity, and social and public innovation efforts.

362
CLIENTS

In the 2017 fiscal year, the Ohio University Small Business Development Center worked with 362 clients, helping them create 86 businesses, generating and maintaining more than 1,000 jobs. In 2017, they were honored with the statewide Small Business Development Center award for Overall High Performance by a Center.

6,298
AWARDS

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center helped businesses earn 6,298 awards for a total value of more than \$395 million in government contracts during fiscal year 2016.