HACKING FOR DEFENSETM | UCSan Diego

Overview

Hacking for Defense ™ is a for-credit class that gives students the opportunity to build solutions for real-world problems from the Department of Defense and Intelligence Community that address the nation's emerging threats and security challenges. The class is a student-led format that uses lean methodology with hypothesis and stakeholder validation to build solutions.



Government sponsor sources a problem for university use



Students form a team, downselect a problem and compete to get into the course



University teaching team, the problem sponsor, local mentors and corporate advisors form a support group for the student team



Students use the Mission Model Canvas and lean methodology to better understand the problem and beneficiaries of the solution



Students create hypotheses, build Minimum Viable Products & conduct 15 stakeholder interviews a week to test them



Students present results each week, learn, pivot and finally build a strategy to reach a deployable solution



Select teams gain follow-on sponsorship from their government sponsor, transition to programs like I-Corps or build new companies

Upcoming Information Sessions

Friday, October 28 12:00-1:00pm

Powell-Focht

Bioengineering Hall

Basement level Rm 003

Monday, October 31

5:00-6:00pm

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Bioengineering Hall

Fung Auditorium