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The Raymond V. Haysbert, Sr.
Entrepreneurship Lecture Series

Entrepreneurs Panel Discussion

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Mike Adelstein '96

President of Potomac Photonics - A Goodfellow UK Company

BS, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, UMBC
MS, Technology Management, UMGC, and CPA

After graduating from UMBC, a six-month commitment led Mike Adelstein to a 27-year journey in micro-manufacturing. Rising from a sales role to President, he eventually bought out the company and relocated it to UMBC. There, the university's culture of grit, hard work, and character helped shape the company's identity. Under his leadership, the company became an industry leader, culminating in its acquisition by Goodfellow UK.



Sarah O'Leary '02

Founder & CEO Mend Acupuncture

BS, Social Work, UMBC
MS, Acupuncture, Maryland University of Integrative Health

Sarah O'Leary began her career in the helping profession as a Social Worker. Her experience in Forensic Social Work and her time working in the prison setting led her to discover the therapeutic power of acupuncture for many physical and mental health conditions. Shortly after achieving her undergraduate degree in Social Work, Sarah pursued a Master's Degree in Acupuncture. Sarah's interest in public health and accessible healthcare led her to open Mend Acupuncture, which serves the mission of making acupuncture more accessible. She hopes to share valuable insights of how to bridge entrepreneurship with meaningful social causes.



Patrick Rife '10

Founder & Serial Entrepreneur

BA, Art History, UMBC

Patrick is a serial entrepreneur and creative mind who has been formally building businesses for 13 years and informally for most of his life. Throughout his journey, he has discovered that the most creative and innovative businesses often emerge from the least expected places and people. He will be sharing insights on his entrepreneurial journey, the unconventional paths he took to get there, and what it means to be an entrepreneur in 2024.

The Raymond V. Haysbert, Sr. Entrepreneurship Lecture Series provides a platform for successful entrepreneurs to candidly share their experiences and insights with UMBC students, faculty, alumni and the Baltimore business community. The series highlights experiences, lessons learned and unique issues and challenges faced by entrepreneurs in the creation of a new enterprise.

Questions?



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