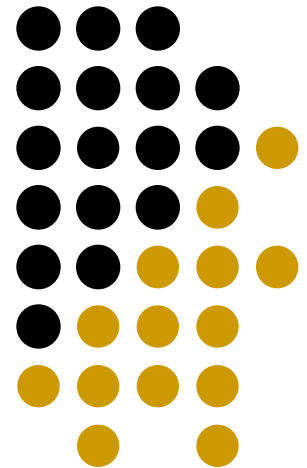


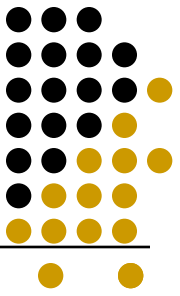
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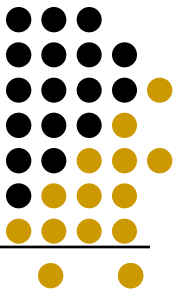
About



- Established in 1873 as Agricultural, Mechanical and Normal College
- Designated as an 1890 Land-Grant Institution
- HBCU as defined by the Dept. of Ed.
- 2nd oldest public institution of higher learning in the state of Arkansas
- Known internationally for our research in aquaculture



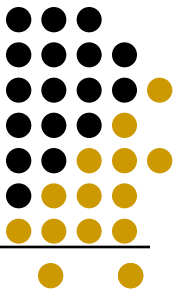
About



- ERDC - Established in 1985
- Department of the School of Business and Management
- Holistic community economic development
- Federal/State/Private Funding



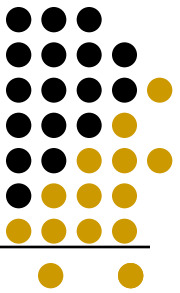
Current Program Partnerships



- HUD-Historically Black Colleges and Universities program since 1993.
- City of Pine Bluff.
- Local community development corporations.
- Other technical assistance providers.



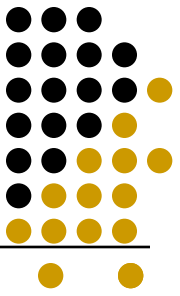
Programs Implemented



- Management and Technical Assistance
- Educational and Cultural Enhancement
- Training
 - FastTrac entrepreneurial training (11 week program).
 - Youth Entrepreneurship
 - Social entrepreneurship
- UAPB Business Support Incubator (women and minority empowerment)
- UAPB Shopping/Retail Plaza



Cultivating Entrepreneurs



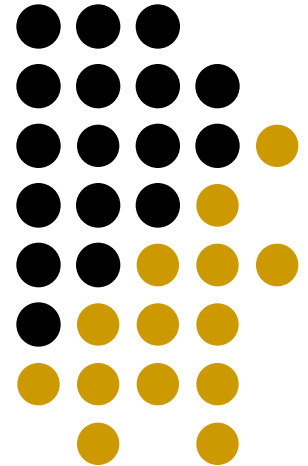
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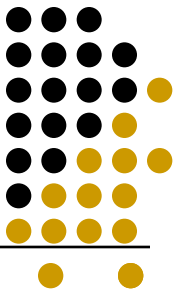
UAPB Incubator Program Components



- **Technical Assistance**
- **Training**
- **Mentorship**
- **Networking**
- **Business Resources**



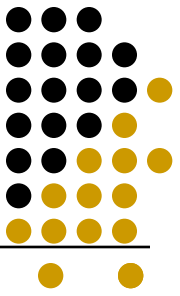
Access to Capital



- Business Incentive/Reinvestment Grants
 - Seed Grants
 - Challenge Grants
- Revolving Loan Fund
- Equity Funding Pool
- Commercial Loans



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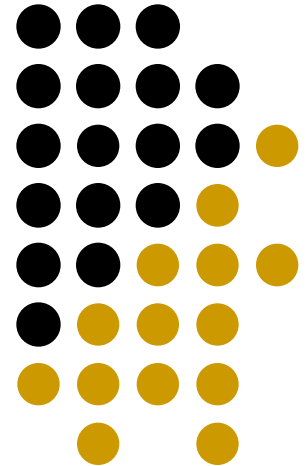
- Individual Development Accounts
- Other Governmental Programs (i.e. Department of Agriculture, SBA, Planning Districts, etc.)
- Family and/or Friend
- Social/Peer Lending Networks (Prosper.com, etc.)



Website



www.uapberdc.org



**“A feast is made for laughter, and wine makes merry,
but money answers all things.”
Ecclesiastes 10:19**



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