

## Students

Any adult can study at our school, regardless of their level of education. There are only two requirements to enroll at our school, proof of identification and statement of what you hope to gain.

At our school you can learn what you need without debt. Our class fees range from \$25 to less than \$500. Students with limited incomes can join our payment plan.

Course formats include; webinars, weekly seminars or workshops, one-day classes and mini-conferences on specific topics and regularly scheduled classes.

The areas of learning include;

- \* Green Businesses;
- \* Community Health Businesses;
- \* Small business computer systems;
- \* Social Entrepreneurship & Small Business Development;
- \* Business and social etiquette;
- \* Home & Life;
- \* Travel;
- \* Languages;
- \* Traditional arts.

Classes start in October 09

Catalog of courses will be available online on Sept 09

## Instructors

StartUp! is a worker owned cooperative. By investing in the school instructors gain access to classroom space, technical assistance and marketing & promotional support.

Instructors are compensated by the number of classes taught and share the school's profits according to their level of investment.

There are two types of instructors:

### Paid instructors

To become a paid instructor you must submit a class proposal for review. Choose to become a co-op member and acquire a \$500 share. The share can be purchased in monthly installments.

### Volunteer instructors

You can also choose to be a volunteer instructor. Volunteer instructors donate the revenue their class generates towards our sustainable business start-up capital fund.

If you have expertise but have never taught adults, we would be happy to share our teaching experience with you and help you develop a class. Make a difference, make new friends, and help us develop a local living economy!

**For more information please visit  
[www.startup1.org](http://www.startup1.org)**



# Startup!

A Local Living Economy Business School

At Startup! entrepreneurs can learn how to develop profitable and rewarding businesses that contribute to a strong local economy and livable planet.

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## Why should you consider joining the Local Living Economies movement?



A Local Living Economy ensures your family's, community and business future.

From this point of view profit is not the only reason to be in business. We aim for a richer legacy where our businesses contribute to creating a livable planet.

For entrepreneurs discovering how to create a local living economy can be profitable and rewarding. There are many opportunities to change our local economy from basic needs to restaurants that specialize in serving fresh low CO2 all natural foods. Some of these business opportunities will change the way we live.

## Our vision



New trade practices, products or services that contribute to a local living economy are launched.

Outputs to be achieved in five years:

Identify and launch one business model or trade practice that serves as a catalyst for a local living economy;

Develop eight business models that contribute to a local living economy and can be propagated quickly in any of these areas, education, health, transportation, housing, energy and food security.

## What is the school about?



The Startup! School was created for people who are passionate about life and making a difference in their community.

Our learning environment encourages mutual respect, nurturing of new ideas, collaboration and mutual risk-taking. We believe developing these skills will be essential in the new economy.

We are organized as a worker owned cooperative. Each instructor is a shareholder and is compensated by the success of their classes and students.

As well, our instructors contribute a portion of their earnings to a sustainable business model fund. The fund is utilized to provide early start-up capital to our student entrepreneurs.