

## Lean Startup Model Simulation

**Objective:** To simulate the Lean Startup Model process and have students experience the challenges and opportunities of launching a startup.

### Requirements:

1. Introduction:
  - Introduce the Lean Startup Model and its components (problem, solution, key metrics, and user feedback).
  - Explain how the model is used to develop and launch a startup.
2. Group Formation:
  - Divide the class into groups of 3-4 students.
  - Each group will work on a hypothetical startup idea.
3. Startup Idea Generation:
  - Have each group brainstorm and come up with a hypothetical startup idea.
  - Encourage them to think of a problem or need in the market that their startup can solve.
4. Lean Startup Model Canvas:
  - Distribute a printed copy of the Lean Startup Model canvas to each group.
  - Have each group fill out the canvas for their startup idea, focusing on the problem, solution, key metrics, and user feedback.
  - Encourage them to be as detailed as possible and to use the post-it notes to brainstorm and organize their ideas.
5. Customer Discovery:
  - Have each group create a list of potential customers for their startup.

- Encourage them to think about who would be interested in their product or service and what their needs and pain points might be.
- Have each group create a set of interview questions to ask their potential customers.

#### 6. Customer Interviews:

- Have each group conduct mock customer interviews with their classmates or fellow group members.
- Encourage them to ask their interview questions and gather feedback on their startup idea.
- Have each group take notes on the feedback they receive and any insights they gain.

#### 7. Iteration and Improvement:

- Have each group review the feedback they received from their customer interviews.
- Encourage them to identify areas for improvement and iterate on their startup idea.
- Have them update their Lean Startup Model canvas with any changes they make.

#### 8. Pitching:

- Have each group pitch their startup idea to the class.
- Encourage them to highlight the problem they're solving, their solution, and their key metrics.
- Allow time for questions and feedback from the class.

#### 9. Wrap-up:

- Have each group reflect on what they learned during the simulation.

- Ask them to share any insights they gained about the Lean Startup Model and the process of launching a startup.

Assessment:

- Observe each group's progress throughout the simulation and assess their understanding of the Lean Startup Model.
- Review their Lean Startup Model canvas and assess their ability to apply the concepts to their startup idea.
- Evaluate their ability to conduct customer interviews and iterate on their idea based on feedback.
- Assess their ability to effectively pitch their startup idea to the class.

Please submit your work as a PDF file to LMS.