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Entrepreneurs find help at Chicago State University

Chicago (February 17, 2009) — Chicago State University is coming to the aid of Chicago entrepreneurs with a free workshop to help get their businesses off the ground. The Illinois Small Business Development Center at Chicago State University will present a Basics of Business Startup workshop on Thursday, February 19 at 6 p.m. in the West Pullman Library at 830 w. 119th Street. It will advise small business managers on finding the right niche for their product or service, and the small business startup process.

The Small Business Development Center has a slate of additional workshops this spring to assist new and startup businesses with their training and information needs:

- The Entrepreneur Training Program, which begins March 5, will help business owners develop and write a business plan. It runs for ten consecutive Thursdays through May 7, 6 to 9 p.m., in the Business and Health Sciences Building on the Chicago State campus.
- The IRS Small Business Tax Workshop will be held Thursday, March 12, 6 to 8 p.m., in the Business and Health Sciences Building. It will cover such topics as small business tax requirements, employment taxes, and business use of one’s home.
- Quickbook Basics is scheduled for April 30, 6 to 8 p.m., in National City Bank at 10801 S. Western, Chicago. It will cover using Quickbooks for accounting, record keeping, and managing inventory.
- Access to Capital, on May 28, 6 to 8 p.m., in the Business and Health Sciences Building. This workshop will cover the SBA Community Express Loan and other loans and financing options.

For more information and to register for any of the workshops, contact the Illinois Small Business Development Center at Chicago State University at (773) 995-3938.