



Business-University Partnership Development

Does your business have a technical challenge, process problem, product idea, or growth opportunity where university expertise could help?

Is your firm seeking to pursue federal government research funding opportunities, such as SBIR/STTR?

Or are you curious about how your company could work with a university on activities of mutual interest, research or otherwise? **Come visit the University Collaboration Hub at the Tennessee Higher Education Supplier Connect event.** Research representatives from Tennessee universities will be present to discuss topics such as:

- Research and Development (partnering with faculty and students to address industry or government needs)
- Testing and Validation Services (accessing special expertise, equipment, or facilities)
- Technology Advancement (bringing innovations to market through licensing, startup creation, or acquisition)
- Workforce Development (student recruitment or employee training)
- Economic Development (leveraging university partnerships and resources to grow business opportunities)

Please use the following link by **October 22, 2026**, to indicate your interest in learning how your company may become more involved with Tennessee's universities: https://utk.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0leDksebu7mQ8DQ.