



Impact Through Partnerships

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Essential Role of External Partnerships

Student success

Research translation

Inclusive pipelines for high-growth industries

Community impact and opportunities

Health care and biomedical discovery

Leading Innovation and Economic Growth

ECONOMIC IMPACT

\$10.6B
to Illinois economy

STARTUPS CONTRIBUTION

\$358M
income

UIDP



C2QA
Co-design Center for
Quantum Advantage

Argonne
NATIONAL LABORATORY



Cook County DEPT.
of
Public Health
Promoting health. Preventing disease. Protecting you.



Incubators, Research Translation, and Startups

Research translation that improves water systems, supports industry, strengthens local economies, and impacts communities.

TiLab

mHUB

MATTER

NSF I-Corps



Faculty Success: Research Translation

Professor Meenesh Singh
CO₂ capture and green chemicals

**Professors Kozikowski
and Gaisina**
Cancer drug, Phase II success

Professor Brad Merrill
CRISPR stem-cell therapies for type 1 diabetes

**Professors Lavie, Schalk,
and Su**
Safer leukemia therapy

**Professors Chaplin, Kim,
and Mehraeen**
PFAS water cleanup

Health Care and Biomedical Discovery

**Chicago
Biomedical
Consortium**



OSF
HEALTHCARE

UIC



Employer Partnerships

**Career
Preparation**

 comedSM
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**Illuminate
Internships**

 CATERPILLAR®

Inclusive Pipelines and Workforce Development

**3,000
annual
STEM
graduates**

**Lowering
barriers to
workforce
entry**

**Apple
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Lab**

**Ensuring high-
growth industries
benefit everyone**

Thank you!

