



With its strong culture of innovation and entrepreneurship, Northeastern University appreciates the desire to fully understand the Conflict of Commitment and Interest Policy. There are generally many questions surrounding this topic, including:

- Can I create a start-up?
- What role can I play in the start-up?
- If I invent something, can I license it to my start-up?
- May I contract with my Northeastern University lab for research that the start-up requires?

The answers to these questions can be found in the Faculty Handbook, which is available online at <http://www.northeastern.edu/facultyhandbook/pdfs/conflict-commitment-interest.pdf>. The important points to remember about Northeastern's Conflict of Commitment and Interest Policy is that it exists to protect not only the University, but its professors, students and staff. The goal is to manage the conflict before it becomes a problem. **Please work with the Dean of your college to manage any potential conflicts of interest.**



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