

Checklist for Starting a New Chapter: Pre-Academy



In order to establish a new chapter in the FAME USA network, there are several items that must be in place first. A basic understanding of the FAME model is the first step in new chapter establishment. Once interested stakeholders have attended a FAME 101 session and established the below, the developing chapter will enroll in **FAME Academy**.

FAME Academy is FAME USA's training program for developing chapters. Academy is designed to provide a comprehensive understanding of the FAME model and equip you with the tools, knowledge, and skills needed to ensure the success of your new FAME chapter from start up to sustainability and continuous improvement.

Employer Partners:

Determine champions at each employer:

Each employer partner must designate at least one champion who will lead FAME efforts

Establish a sufficient coalition of employers:

Initial group of employer should collectively be willing to sponsor a full cohort of students (~15-20)

Confirm commitment:

FAME is an employer-led program; employer partners must be willing to devote resources to the chapter and recruitment for highest ROI.*

Colleges & Community Partners:

Determine sufficient college admin support:

Colleges must be willing to employ/designate a FAME Instructor and a Success Coach, establish a FAME degree path, and outfit a FAME Technical Center*

Identify a "Hub" organization:

The group must identify a convening organization (typically a community-based 501(c)3) who will act as the convenor and fiduciary manager for the chapter*

*FAME USA provides guidance for all of the above

What's next?

Let us know!

Email us at FAME@nam.org. We will set up a call with the chapter to confirm readiness and talk about your next steps locally. Enrollment in FAME Academy is on a fixed calendar, so we will discuss the timeline with you as well.

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Continue the conversation:

Establishing a new FAME chapter is a group effort! Talk with colleagues and other industry representatives about your involvement and invite them to join.

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