



cs/root is an entrepreneurial hub led by the Virginia Tech Department of Computer Science. The multi-stakeholder initiative will create a platform for computer science-focused entrepreneurship at Virginia Tech that extends to the Roanoke and New River Valleys.

cs/root will provide entrepreneurs in the computer science field the opportunity to learn about the steps for starting a company, gain experience developing their own ideas, and be inspired by the careers of the department's alumni entrepreneurs.

cs/root aims to stimulate entrepreneurial activity in the local economy and grow a strong connection to technical advisors from industry and VT alumni. Beyond engagement with alumni and mentors, cs/root is a collaborative effort that incorporates financial support and programming from

- GO Virginia - Region 2
- Roanoke-Blacksburg Technology Council/RAMP Accelerator
- APEX Center for Entrepreneurs
- Botetourt, Pulaski and Roanoke Counties
- Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center
- Virginia Tech Center for Economic and Community Engagement

cs/root will launch its programming this spring with a series of alumni speakers who will discuss their experiences as entrepreneurs in the field of innovative technology:

**Friday, February 17, 2023**

*Srinidhi Varadarajan*

Chief Scientist and Co-Founder, Silverdraft Supercomputing

2:30-3:30 PM | 2150 Torgersen Hall, Virginia Tech

**Friday, March 17, 2023**

*Jim Miller*

CEO, Quantum Leap

2:30-3:30 PM | 2150 Torgersen Hall, Virginia Tech

**Friday, April 14, 2023**

*Matt Pfeil*

Serial Entrepreneur

2:30-3:30 PM | 2150 Torgersen Hall

Each event is free and open to the public, but registration is required. Please visit <https://cs.vt.edu/cs-root.html> to learn more about cs/root and to register for an event.