Course overview & a Note from the Instructor:

Being a Board Member for a startup is not for everyone. To be a good Board Member requires good judgment based on experience and is time-consuming. During the quarter, we’ll explore the more important board decisions a startup BOD will most likely have to make.

Because there are many resources available to Board, if you ask for help early enough, having a list of who to call is critical. Therefore, an important part of the class will be meeting the experts who specialize helping startups during these various stages. (Guest speakers TBA).

Preliminary Class Syllabus (Class Order is Subject to Change)

Class 1
Overview: Responsibilities & Liabilities of the Board of Directors

Class 2
The Secrets to a Functional Board of Directors

Class 3
Protection & Compensation of a Board Member

Class 4
Firing & Hiring CEOs

Class 5
Board of Directors & Fundraising

Class 6
Board of Directors Role during Rapid Change

Class 7
Board Members’ Role during Bankruptcy

Class 8
Board Members’ Role during an IPO

Class 9
Board Members’ Role during the M&A Transaction
Class 10
Finding the RIGHT board opportunities for you