# Startup Year Survey Findings - Student Voice

## Student Consultation

* Three focus groups with previous accelerator students.
* Over 530 responses to the student survey.

## Student Survey demographics

Gender breakdown

* 29 per cent are male.
* 67 per cent are female.
* 4 per cent in category of other.

State and Territory breakdown

* 50 per cent are from New South Wales.
* 17 per cent are from Victoria.
* 14 per cent are from Queensland.
* 6 per cent are from Australian Capital Territory.
* 5 per cent are from South Australia.
* 5 per cent are from Western Australia.
* 1 per cent are from Tasmania.
* 1 per cent are from Northern Territory.

Region breakdown

* 42 per cent are metropolitan (capital cities).
* 44 per cent are regional (small cities and towns).
* 12 per cent are rural.
* 2 per cent are outside these categories.

Type of degree breakdown

* 48 per cent are undergraduate.
* 26 per cent are postgraduate.
* 15 per cent are final year undergraduate.
* 8 per cent are recent graduates (within last two years).
* 3 per cent are outside these categories.

## What students are telling us

* Most students (55 percent) have an interest in creating or joining a startup. Of these students;
* the majority (83 percent) would join a university accelerator, and
* the majority (58 per cent) would take out a HELP loan.
* of those that would take out a loan, the majority (62 per cent) would expect to pay $6,000 or less.
* To support their idea, they would like: mentors; business skills development; access to facilities and access to capital
* The two most popular program durations were 26 weeks or 52 weeks.
* The most popular type of startup focus area was Social Enterprise (20 per cent).