



# Alternate Pathways

A Fresh Look at Mission  
in the Marketplace

# SIM

Built on over 125 years  
of trusted relationships  
in a global marketplace





# Do I Really Fit the Mission Mold?

- Do you love Jesus and His mission?
- Do you want to obey Jesus even if it means sacrifice and suffering?
- Do you love business?
- Do you love people?
- Do you have marketable skills and or education?
- Do you have needs?
  - Content, coaching, community, care

*Are you willing?  
Then, yes! You do fit  
the mission mold!*

*“Keller and Alsdorf (authors of “Every Good Endeavor”) state that whether we realize it or not, all of us in the workplace are “living in the palace.” Like Esther, we have personal influence and cultural capital that can bring major social order and nudge people closer to the God of the Universe. Like Esther, the authors urge, once we get to live in the palace, we should not bend every rule to stay there. We should serve for the good of our neighbors. The long-term rewards, peace of mind, and eternal impact will be worth it.”*

—Theology of Work Project









# Potential Pathways

## U.S. Pathways

Base Location	Employed	Team
U.S.	U.S.	International
		
Multi-National Corporate Path		
		
Traveling Administrator Path		
		
Missional Business Support/ Coaching/Mentor volunteer Path		

## International Pathways

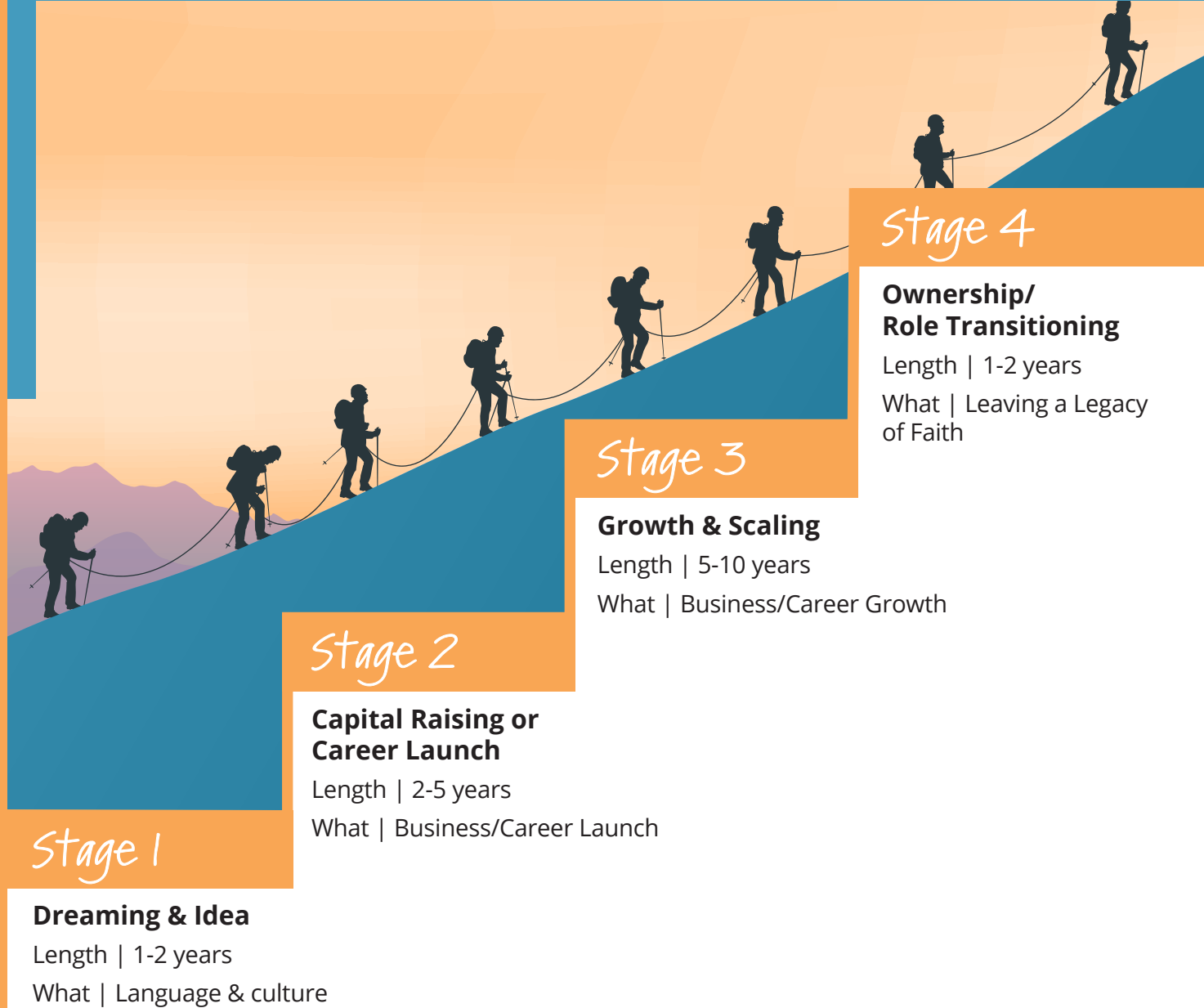
Base Location	Employed	Team
International	U.S.	International
		
Digital Nomad Path		
		
Governmental Diplomat/ Professional Path		
		
Personal Wealth Path		

Base Location	Employed	Team
International	International	International
		
Returning Immigrant Path		
		
Apprentice-Entrepreneur Path		
		
In-Country Professional or Business Owner Path		





# Career Path Stages



## FACT

**39** miracles recorded in the book of Acts happen outside the temple/church walls, in the marketplace.

—JD Greer





# Come to Connect

Connect is the next step in getting to know SIM. This event is hosted at SIM USA for those interested in missions and ready to hear more on how God is using His people in life changing, kingdom building work around the globe. Connect is a great place to hear from the SIM staff about their experiences in ministry as well as meet other likeminded individuals who are considering ministry work.



- Take 2 days away on our lovely campus in NC
- Get all your questions answered
- Hear about Alternate Pathways and Missional Business
- Prayerfully discern your call



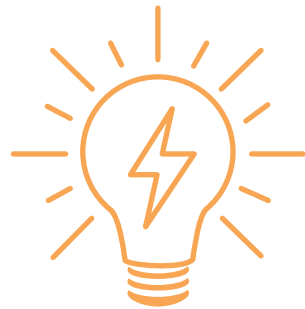


# Biblical Entrepreneurship | A Business Accelerator Training

## Course Description

Are you currently a Christian professional or business owner in the marketplace with a desire to serve God more fully? Maybe you have a business idea that could harness your skills and abilities to glorify God while

providing jobs for those in hard places and frontier markets globally. Consider joining SIM as we facilitate a fully virtual missional business course for aspiring or growing professionals and entrepreneurs like you.



### Module 1

“Developing a Theology of Work & Faith Driven Entrepreneurship”

### Module 2

“Testing Kingdom Impact Business Ideas & Models”

### Module 3

“Building Kingdom Impact Business Plans & Pitches”

### Module 4

“Developing an Entrepreneurial Operating System (EOS)”

\*To be offered quarterly throughout each calendar year

“The Biblical Entrepreneurship course was extremely influential in our journey to starting a business. The Biblical foundation, high-quality instruction, and thorough content and feedback provided the resources we needed to get started. Without this course, we would have been much less clear on the direction of our business, and it would have taken us much longer to get started.”

– Darci W. (E. Africa Business)



# Group Coaching Calls | An Advisory Roundtable

## How coaches bring value to our global marketplace workers:

**Journey with** cross-cultural entrepreneurs as they test business ideas and innovate new products and services

**Provide timely and relevant help** to marketplace workers as they apply their faith in their vocation

**Foster business and missional growth** through expected stages of cross cultural work in the marketplace

**Catalyze relationships** with sending and receiving entities in the global Church

**Steward sending churches/networks** of faith-driven marketplace professionals in our churches for the glory of God



## OUR ALTERNATE PATHWAY SERVICES





# Top Six FAQs

- 1 | Does my church still send me?**  
Yes, local churches send global workers. We prepare and journey with them.
- 2 | Why go with SIM?**  
We have helped thousands to go and tell people about the love and goodness of Jesus in the past 125 years.
- 3 | Can I still have multiple streams of income?**  
Yes, we support investing in many ventures. Ecclesiastes 11:2
- 4 | Do I still have to raise support?**  
Yes, you are changed when you humbly share your calling with a group of believers that you are asking to partner with you and God in this work. Support raising is part of the equipping process of getting into the dependent, humble posture missional work requires.
- 5 | Isn't business in the U.S. hard & risky enough?**  
Yes, so don't go it alone. SIM has over 125 years of experience in placing professionals and working with international business start-ups and scale-ups. We provide support and community for marketplace workers on 6 continents and are continually enhancing our approach.
- 6 | If English is the most common language of business globally, will I need to learn another language?**  
Yes, making disciples is always more effective in someone's heart language. We believe language learning for the first 1-2 years is essential to build a firm foundation for establishing relationships that lead people towards Christ.



## FACT

**70%** of Americans in the workforce don't regularly attend a local church—but they are going to work.

—C12 Forums

Pastors in the US will interact with 8.8M nominal Christians and non-believer attendees per year with an average of 12 hours of influence with each.

Christian Business owners in the US will interact with 118M nominal Christians and non-believers employees per year with an average of 2080 hours of influence with each.



## OUR PURPOSE

Convinced that no one should live and die without hearing God's good news, we believe that He has called us to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in communities where He is least known.

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## OUR MISSION

By prayer, we recruit, prepare, and journey with Christians sent by churches as we go and make disciples of Jesus Christ where needed most.

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## OUR VISION

The vision of SIM is to see a witness to Christ's love where He is least known, disciples of Jesus expressing God's love in their communities, and Christ-centered churches among all peoples.

# SIM

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