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Are you and your team building the next great venture in Maine? Do you have a "golden ticket" idea but need help creating a growing business with traction? Are you ready to drop everything and really commit to making your company everything it can be? If you said YES to these questions, then...

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...Apply Now!

Scratchpad is a seed accelerator that helps startups test, improve, and figure out how to commercialize their ideas, **FAST**. How fast?...

...three months fast!

Starting the week of August 31th, for three months, your team gets to live, breathe, and focus on your startup without distractions. You get **funding** you can spend on things that will move your company forward. You get daily access to business **coaches**, **problem-solvers**, and **mentors**. And, at the end, you get a chance to **pitch** your idea to potential **investors** (after we teach you how)!

To apply, please answer the following questions in no more than two pages:

1. What is your business idea and what stage is it in?
2. Who is the team and what is each team member's relevant background?
3. What is the size of the market opportunity for your business, and who are the major industry competitors?
4. What are the unknowns that need to be discovered, and what is your current plan for discovering them?
5. How big do you want to grow your business in the next three years and why?

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Ideal companies have the following characteristics:

- Can scale for high growth over the next decade.
- Addresses a market that has a total value of more than $100M.
- Has team of 2-3 people working on this business full time.
- Is a current or potential Maine Technology Institute (MTI) portfolio company (a company with a pending application or a prior recipient of TechStart or Seed Grants)
- Competes in one of the following sectors: Biotech, Advanced materials/composites, Environmental tech, Forest products/agriculture, IT, Marine Tech & Aquaculture, Precision Manufacturing

Application deadline: August 28

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