

Undergraduate Innovation & Entrepreneurship Scholar Program Program Overview

***Required**

Outside the Classroom – Workshops/practicum

***Entrepreneurship Boot Camp:** Entrepreneurship Boot Camp is a one-day glimpse into entrepreneurship at CMU and in Pittsburgh on each fall. The Boot Camp focuses on entrepreneurial resources in the community, design thinking and idea screening.

Entrepreneur Workshops: (offered on Friday afternoons and weekdays 5-6:30pm)

Attend workshops notated by *and write a one page perspective on what was learned.

(Visit CIE Calendar of CONNECTS EVENTS: <http://www.cmu.edu/cie/events-and-opportunities/calendar/index.html>)

Start Smart Legal Seminars and Workshops (3-4 offered a semester) Examples below

- *Basics of entity formation; Pros and Cons of various legal structures for start-ups
- * Creating sound founder agreements
- Structuring equity compensation
- (* if appropriate) Starting a Business with an F-1 International Student Visa
- Basic intellectual property strategy
- * Raising capital (including friends and family funding)
- Creating an advisory/corporate board
- Basics of Business valuation
- Insurance and product liability, employee compensation
- Doing business internationally
- Launching a social enterprise
- Commercializing open-sourced or public innovation
- *How to Shop for a Lawyer

Blue Tree Allied Angels

- *Attend at least one screening meeting: Held first Thursday of every month except August and December (# to be determined, debriefing afterwards)
- *Attend one member meeting (paid for by CMU)
- *Attend “How to Pitch to an Angel” session
- *Participate in’ Think Like An Angel’ – Global Entrepreneurship Week

Attend AlphaLab Programs

- *Open Coffee (attend one)
- *Demo Day (attend one)
- Mixer

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Participate in 3 or more Olympus Roundtable/Invitation only sessions (Examples of prior Roundtables)

- How to recruit and manage advisors
- How to set up and manage Boards of Directors
- How to launch your startup
- How to build and manage a team
- How to set up your office operations/back office
- How to hold a successful KickStarter- type fundraiser

Participate in Startup Tour (1x per semester or year) *

*** Intern at a Start Up between junior and senior year; (Note – can be own startup) ****

*** Attend TiE Pittsburgh's BaseCamp and 2 other events during junior year ****

*** Attend 4 or more events MIT Enterprise Forum events during junior year****

*** Participate in Silicon Valley trek ****

Optional: Found or co-Found a startup (become an Olympus PROBE):

- Eligible for Spark Grant Fund up to \$3000
- Eligible for spot in spring S&T

**** Costs will be covered or subsidized by the Scholars Program**