

Spring 2018 Business Plan Competitions

Competition	URL	Coordinator	Eligibility	About	Key dates
Panasci Business Plan Competition	https://whitman.syr.edu/programs-and-academics/centers-and-institutes/falcone/for-students/panasci/index.aspx	Whitman School of Management and the Falcone Center for Entrepreneurship	Full-time or part-time matriculated student, undergraduate, or graduate level, who is currently enrolled in and pursuing a degree program, and who is registered at Syracuse University or SUNY ESF.	\$35,000 campus-wide student business plan competition, hosted by the Falcone Center for Entrepreneurship, and made possible by long-time Whitman supporter, the late Henry A. Panasci.	Applications due January 17, 2018 Competition April 13-14, 2018
Rice Business Plan Competition	https://rbpc.rice.edu	Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship,	Open to all colleges and universities. Primarily graduate students, not just MBA, but including PhD, MD JD and master's candidates. Undergraduates can compete as long as a founder is a grad student.	Over \$1 million in prizes. All teams selected to compete at Rice in Houston are guaranteed cash prizes. Minimum is \$500 and grand prize is \$300,000 (typically a convertible note) without geographic restrictions.	Applications due February 9, 2018 Competition April 5-6, 2018
ACC Inventure Prize	http://accinventureprize.com/	SU campus competition coordinator is the Blackstone LaunchPad. ACC finals coordinator is Georgia Tech.	Open to full-time, degree-seeking undergraduate students or recent graduates of ACC universities within one year of graduation from their undergraduate program.	\$30,000 divided between first, second and "people's choice" awards.	Applications due February 9, 2018 SU campus competition February 16, 2018 ACC finals at Georgia Tech April 5-6, 2018

Hult Prize Regionals	http://www.hultprize.org/current/2018-challenge/	SU campus competition coordinator is the Blackstone LaunchPad.	SU campus competition was held December 11, 2017, and campus winners sent on to Hult Foundation.	\$1 million grand prize. Teams that win regionals can participate in an summer accelerator program at Hult Castle in the United Kingdom.	Regional teams announced January 9, 2018 Regionals begin March 4, 2018
Compete CNY	http://www.competecny.com/	Coordinated by the Blackstone LaunchPad	Open to any undergraduate or graduate student currently enrolled in a Central New York college or university. Including: Syracuse University, Colgate University, Le Moyne College, SUNY Oswego, SUNY Cortland, Wells College, Cazenovia College, Upstate Medical University, OCC, and CCC.	Currently no prize funding available, however the event is the regional qualifier for the New York State Business Plan Competition.	Applications due March 9, 2018 Competition March 23, 2018
Raymond von Dran iPrize	https://ischool.syr.edu/academics/special-initiatives/iprize/	Sponsored by the iSchool with coordinating support from the Blackstone LaunchPad.	Open to any undergraduate or graduate student at Syracuse University.	\$40,000 is available for Syracuse students via the RvD iPrize - awarded to top participants in the competition,	Applications due March 9, 2018 Competition March 23
New York Business Plan Competition	http://apply.nybplan.com/	Sponsored by The University at Albany	Open to any undergraduate or graduate student currently enrolled in a New York state college or university. Teams are selected through regional qualifier competitions across 10 NYS Economic Development Regions.	Historically, up to \$150,000 in cash and in-kind prizes distributed to winners in six categories.	CNY teams submitted after Compete CNY qualifier on March 23, 2018 Competition in Albany, April 27, 2018