



CENTER FOR INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Rowan's Entrepreneurial Ecosystem At-A-Glance

Greetings and welcome to the Rowan Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (RCIE) newsletter. This effort is intended to inform you about upcoming events, programs, and funding opportunities taking place across Rowan's growing entrepreneurial ecosystem as well as to update you on how past events went. I hope you will engage with us on our online community [StartupTree](#). Thank you and I look forward to seeing you at some of our upcoming events.

Best,

Dr. Eric Liguori
Executive Director and Rohrer Chair of Entrepreneurship
Rowan Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship

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SELECT UPCOMING EVENTS

Lunch with the Entrepreneurship Team | 9/12 at 11:45am

Bring your lunch and join Rowan's entrepreneurship faculty and staff for some casual conversation. This is an informal opportunity to connect outside of the classroom with our entrepreneurship team to ask questions and discuss ideas, startups, school, life - you name it. Register [here](#).



USASBE Local at Entrepreneurship Masterminds Summit | 9/13-9/14

This is a gathering of entrepreneurship thought leaders with a simple yet powerful goal: to explore cutting-edge trends in entrepreneurship education. Attendees will get a behind the scenes look at USASBE's new journal, *Entrepreneurship Education and Pedagogy*, as well as the chance to experience Studio 231, Rowan's Makerspace and Experiential Learning Laboratory. Register [here](#).



Coffee with Entrepreneur Chris Schaber | 9/18 at 11am

Join us for Coffee with Entrepreneur Chris Schaber, President and CEO of Soligenix. Dr. Schaber has over 29 years of experience in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries. During his career, he has played a significant role in raising in excess of \$250 million through both public offerings and private placements, as well as over \$75 million in government grants and contracts. Register [here](#).

COFFEE WITH AN ENTREPRENEUR

SEPT 18 / 11 AM / BUS 209



Christopher J. Schaber
President and Chief Executive
Officer of Soligenix, Inc

Introduction to Low Resolution Prototyping | 9/18 at 5pm

Prototyping is a vital step in the product development life cycle. Join us for crash course in low resolution prototyping and learn how to start turning your idea into a reality. Register [here](#).

Low-Res Prototyping

Sept 18 • 5:00-6:15
Bus Hall studio 231

Destructables Workshop | 9/21 at 3pm

Do you like to tinker? Ever wonder how random things work? Have an idea on how to improve a product but need to better understand the mechanics behind doing so? Satisfy your curiosity and join us on 9/21 at 3pm for Destructables. We will have old electronics to rip apart and engineers to talk about how the things we take apart work! Register [here](#).



3rd Annual Idea Challenge | Submit Your Idea by 9/27

For the third academic year in a row the RCIE and the Rowan Innovation Venture Fund are teaming up to present the Idea Challenge, an idea stage competition open to students from all majors across campus. Selected participants will get help from mentors across the Rowan network and have the chance to win a variety of prizes, including seed funding and dedicated co-working space. [Click here to apply today](#).



E-NEWS TO KEEP YOU IN THE KNOW

New Faculty Join Rowan's Entrepreneurship Team

Please join us in welcoming Drs. Susana Santos and Lee Zane. Santos, an accomplished scholar with [a new book out](#), joins us as an Assistant Professor of Entrepreneurship. Zane, a Rowan alumnus and equally [accomplished scholar](#), joins us as a Visiting Professor of Entrepreneurship. Both Santos and Zane are student-focused and approach the classroom in a very experiential way.



5 Student Startups Complete Summer Accelerator Program

This summer Rowan awarded more than \$20,000 in seed funding to 5 student startups participating in the RCIE Summer Accelerator Program. Teams were mentored by Phil Michaels, Forbes 30 Under 30 Entrepreneur and Co-Founder of Tembo Education. This fall these student startups move forward, mentors and prototypes in hand, to launch and scale their ventures. Stay tuned for updates in the months to come.



60 Elementary School Students Learn Low-Resolution Prototyping

60 young innovators from a Rowan College of Education summer camp joined us to learn about innovation and entrepreneurship. These young innovators were energetic, inquisitive, & creative. They learned about 3D printing and did some low-resolution prototyping. One kid noted "I think you should work on making that entire building out of plastic. Thank you, I learned a whole lot and was very inspired when we left!"



Rowan Faculty Begin Innovation and Entrepreneurship Certificate Program

More than 35 faculty from disciplines across campus came together to form the 3rd cohort of RCIE's I&E Faculty Certificate Program. The program kicked off 8/31 with a bootcamp session on teaching entrepreneurial mindset. For more information on this program please contact [Dr. Cheryl Bodnar](#), RCIE Assistant Director for Faculty Programs.



For more information of any of Rowan's student entrepreneurship programs or to learn how you can support entrepreneurship at Rowan please contact Dr. Eric Liguori (liguori@rowan.edu), Executive Director, Rowan Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship.

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