



CENTER FOR INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

## Rowan's Entrepreneurial Ecosystem At-A-Glance

Greetings and welcome to the first 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 other happenings in our entrepreneurial ecosystem. I hope you will engage with us via our new online community [StartupTree](#). Thank you for your time 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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### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### 2/28: RCIE Spotlight Speaker Series

Pete Ciarrocchi, CEO of Chickie's and Pete's, will be keynoting our first Spotlight Speaker Series Event. Join us for this Family Business Success Story (and crab fries). 2/28, 6pm, Business Hall 209.

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#### 3/2: Coffee with an Entrepreneur: Tozuda CEO Jessie Garcia

Tozuda is a manufacturing company that develops the most affordable and reliable concussion awareness solutions. Their mission is to bring visibility to an invisible injury - concussion. They believe that everyone deserves to play, work, and serve safely. 3/2. 9am, Business Hall 209.

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#### 3/5: Coffee with a "Forbes 30 Under 30" Entrepreneur

Phil Michaels is CEO of Tembo Education, a global firm educating children through SMS text messaging. Learn how Phil got honored as a Forbes 30 Under 30 Entrepreneur, met President Clinton, and was named a Global Shaper by the World Economic Forum, all starting while he was still in school. 3/5, 6:30pm, Business Hall 209.

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## E-NEWS TO KEEP YOU IN THE KNOW

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### **Milkcrate CEO to Students: Work hard and follow your passions!**

Over 40 students, faculty, and staff from 5 Rowan colleges gathered to hear Milkcrate CEO Morgan Berman's story last week. Students said they left inspired, energized, and ready to take action. Thank you, Morgan, for sharing your time and talent with our students.



### **New Entrepreneurship Advisory Council Meets for First Time**

Rowan's Entrepreneurship Advisory Council convened together for its first official meeting on 2/16. The EAC brings together 20+ highly accomplished entrepreneurs and entrepreneurial advocates to discuss ways to better support Rowan's student entrepreneurs. Thanks to all who attended.



### **Student Venture 'Topos Teas' Represents Rowan in Global eFest Competition**

Rowan Students Kayyon Jahahbakhsh and Michael Lombardo, Co-Founders of Topos Teas, are representing Rowan in eFest, the world's largest undergraduates-only business plan competition. Topos was also just awarded \$2,500 in seed funding from the RCIE.



### **Student Alex Wollman Receives Stephen Gill Scholarship**

Entrepreneurship major Alex Wollman has been awarded the Fall 2017 Stephen Gill Scholarship. Wollman is an active CEO Club member, former CEO Club officer, and highly engaged entrepreneurship student. Congrats Alex!



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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](mailto:liguori@rowan.edu)), Executive Director, Rowan Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship.

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