

## **ENTREPRENEUR**



## SPECIAL REPORT

# TOP 50 BEST UNDERGRAD and GRAD PROGRAMS for ENTREPRENEURS

The Princeton Review, in partnership with *Entrepreneur*, ranks the top universities.



obody instinctively knows how to build a company. They either throw themselves into the role as a first-time leader, or they begin inside a classroom at the growing number of colleges and universities now catering to entrepreneurs' needs.

Inside these institutions, future founders and CEOs are taught the skills and—perhaps just as important—meet the people that empower them to turn smart ideas into real companies.

Each year, *Entrepreneur* partners with The Princeton Review to rank the top 25 undergraduate and top 25 graduate programs for entrepreneurs. The annual survey looks at more than 300 colleges and universities (including one in Mexico) and weighs each institution's commitment to surrounding its students with world-class mentors, professors, and alumni, as well as an environment for budding entrepreneurs to thrive. Turn the page to find out which schools do it best.



## **UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS** for Entrepreneurs

2018 RANK		No. of Entrepreneur- Related Courses Offered	No. of Students Enrolled in Entrepreneurship Classes	% of Faculty with Entrepreneurial Experience	Startups Launched by Grads in Past 5 Years	Funding Raised by Grads in Past 5 Years	Tuition per Year
1	Babson College Arthur M. Blank Center for Entrepreneurship Babson Park, Mass.	38	2,283	100	321	\$35 million	\$49,664
2	University of Houston Cyvia and Melvyn Wolff Center for Entrepreneurship Houston	52	1,948	100	284	\$41 million	\$11,887 (in-state) \$27,337 (out-of-state)
3	Brigham Young University Rollins Center for Entrepreneurship & Technology Provo, Utah	47	5,814	94	508	\$814 million	\$10,920 \$5,460 (LDS students)
4	University of Michigan Innovate Blue Ann Arbor, Mich.	54	3,452	63	323	\$68 million	\$15,310 (in-state) \$47,004 (out-of-state)
5	Bernard Baruch College, The City University of New York Lawrence N. Field Center for Entrepreneurship New York City	16	942	81	832	\$1.7 billion	\$6,861 (in-state) \$17,331 (out-of-state)

### **METHODOLOGY**

**LAST SPRING**, The Princeton Review surveyed more than 300 colleges and universities to determine which of them best serve future entrepreneurs. Below are a few of the key metrics collected from those schools. For more information on the methodology and more details on each ranking, go to PrincetonReview.com/entrepreneur.

#### **Academics and Requirements**

Schools were asked if they offer a major, a minor, a concentration, or a degree program in entrepreneurship; how many courses in entrepreneurship are offered in topics such as feasibility analysis, new venture management, technology commercialization, and venture capital; and whether they provide cross-discipline opportunities to work with students in other majors (e.g., working with computer engineering students to develop a product).

#### Outside the Classroom

Schools were asked for the number and size of scholarships available, and the number of outside mentors who worked with students. Annual business-plan or new-venture competitions, hackathons, and pitch-deck or startup weekends (along with prize money amounts), among other activities, were also considered. Schools were also asked to report the total dollar amount of prize money won from outside competitions by students enrolled in entrepreneurship offerings at their school.

#### Students and Faculty

This by-the-numbers survey asked for the total number of full- and part-time students enrolled in entrepreneurship courses in the 2016–2017 academic year and how many of them had developed an actionable business plan to launch a startup. They then asked how many companies were started by graduates within the past five to 10 years that are still in business, and how much money their entrepreneurship alumni had raised from investors to launch their companies.

The Princeton Review also tallied the number of faculty teaching courses on entrepreneurship during the year, and how many faculty members had started, bought, or run a business.



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6	Northeastern University Center for Entrepreneurship Education Boston	34	1,282	67	541	\$56 million	\$49,497
7	Washington University Skandalaris Center for Interdisciplinary Innovation and Entrepreneurship St. Louis	26	549	77	95	\$189 million	\$51,533
8	University of Maryland Academy for Innovation and Entrepreneurship College Park, Md.	79	8,498	48	126	\$37 million	\$10,399 (in-state) \$33,606 (out-of-state)
9	Baylor University Dept. of Entrepreneurship Waco, Texas	31	2,100	100	280	\$50 million	\$43,790
10	Temple University Innovation & Entrepreneurship Institute Philadelphia	61	3,002	96	255	\$3 million	\$16,658 (in-state) \$28,418 (out-of-state)
11	The University of Dayton L. William Crotty Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership Dayton, Ohio	34	1,869	65	79	\$5 million	\$41,750
12	University of Oklahoma Center for Entrepreneurship Norman, Okla.	28	275	73	43	\$16 million	\$9,063 (in-state) \$24,444 (out-of-state)
13	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Center for Entrepreneurial Studies Chapel Hill, N.C.	28	1,680	70	69	\$12 million	\$8,867 (in-state) \$34,588 (out-of-state)
14	Tecnológico of Monterrey Institute for Entrepreneurship Eugenio Garza Lagüera Monterrey, Mexico	84	20,000	76	841	\$20 million	NR
15	University of Utah Lassonde Entrepreneur Institute Salt Lake City	32	1,076	64	215	\$7 million	\$7,956 (in-state) \$25,198 (out-of-state)



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16	Syracuse University Falcone Center for Entrepreneurship Syracuse, N.Y.	27	2,036	100	90	NR	\$46,755
17	The University of Iowa John Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center Iowa City	22	2,229	86	243	NR	\$8,965 (in-state) \$30,609 (out-of-state)
18	Miami University Institute for Entrepreneurship Oxford, Ohio	32	3,033	53	54	\$10 million	\$14,578 (in-state) \$32,768 (out-of-state)
19	North Carolina State University NC State Entrepreneurship Raleigh, N.C.	28	1,434	59	66	\$223 million	\$9,058 (in-state) \$27,406 (out-of-state)
20	Ball State University The Entrepreneurship Center Muncie, Ind.	19	646	80	147	\$35 million	\$9,594 (in-state) \$25,368 (out-of-state)
21	University of Kansas KU Center for Entrepreneurship Lawrence, Kan.	21	900	100	32	\$100 million	\$10,824 (in-state) \$26,592 (out-of-state)
22	DePaul University Coleman Entrepreneurship Center Chicago	27	1,132	61	133	\$70 million	\$37,626
23	Loyola Marymount University Fred Kiesner Center for Entrepreneurship Los Angeles	16	330	93	60	\$8 million	\$46,136
24	Oklahoma State University Riata Center for Entrepreneurship Stillwater, Okla.	29	2,055	66	58	\$4 million	\$8,738 (in-state) \$23,776 (out-of-state)
25	Drexel University Laurence A. Balada Institute for Entrepreneurship Philadelphia	-38	1,532	90	33	\$18 million	\$52,002



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1	Harvard University Arthur Rock Center for Entrepreneurship Boston	37	936	57	84	\$1.5 billion	\$75,353
2	Rice University Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship Houston	30	655	83	245	\$3.8 billion	\$56,097
3	The University of Chicago Polsky Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation Chicago	25	1,959	57	317	\$327 million	\$59,753
4	Babson College Arthur M. Blank Center for Entrepreneurship Babson Park, Mass.	36	1,279	100	643	\$15 million	\$67,562
5	Northwestern University The Larry and Carol Levy Institute for Entrepreneurial Practice Evanston, III.	60	1,777	88	224	\$191 million	\$70,435

## OF THE TOP 25 SCHOOLS ON OUR GRADUATE PROGRAM LIST

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The AVERAGE
AMOUNT of
FUNDING RAISED
by GRADS of the
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76%

The PERCENTAGE of FACULTY WHO HAVE STARTED, BOUGHT, or RUN a SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS



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6	Brigham Young University Rollins Center for Entrepreneurship & Technology Provo, Utah	30	302	92	168	\$506 million	\$24,620 \$12,310 (LDS students)
7	University of Virginia Batten Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation Charlottesville, Va.	28	747	100	123	\$222 million	\$62,800 (in-state) \$65,118 (out-of-state)
8	Temple University Innovation and Entrepreneurship Institute Philadelphia	76	4,196	100	158	\$2 million	\$32,558 (in-state) \$45,113 (out-of-state)
9	University of Michigan Ross School of Business, Zell Lurie Institute, Center for Entrepreneurship, College of Engineering Ann Arbor, Mich.	59	2,734	41	172	\$99 million	\$56,918 (in-state) \$61,918 (out-of-state)
10	Bernard Baruch College, The City University of New York Lawrence N. Field Center for Entrepreneurship New York City	19	161	83	383	\$49 million	\$15,039 (in-state) \$27,064 (out-of-state)

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11	The University of South Florida The USF Center for Entrepreneurship Tampa, Fla.	58	1,367	100	342	\$26 million	\$11,253 (in-state) \$20,637 (out-of-state)
12	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Center for Entrepreneurial Studies Chapel Hill, N.C	31	709	95	41	\$21 million	\$43,106 (in-state) \$59,229 (out-of-state)
13	Northeastern University NU Center for Entrepreneurship Education Boston	72	1,745	47	130	\$10 million	\$44,605
14	University of Oklahoma Center for Entrepreneurship Norman, Okla.	10	84	100	16	\$412 million	\$16,229 (in-state) \$33,804 (out-of-state)
15	Syracuse University Falcone Center for Entrepreneurship Syracuse, N.Y.	24	1,420	100	90	NR	\$38,544



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16	The University of Texas at Austin Herb Kelleher Center for Entrepreneurship & Texas Venture Labs Austin, Texas	46	462	92	70	NR	\$35,324 (in-state) \$51,804 (out-of-state)
17	New York University W. R. Berkley Innovation Labs New York City	18	1,123	36	34	\$120 million	\$69,110
18	Texas A&M University Center for New Ventures and Entrepreneurship College Station, Texas	16	502	33	500	\$5 million	\$22,213 (in-state) \$34,849 (out-of-state)
19	The University of Texas at Dallas The Institute for Innovation and Entrepreneurship Richardson, Texas	24	557	69	357	\$12 million	\$18,064 (in-state) \$32,974 (out-of-state)
20	DePaul University Coleman Entrepreneurship Center Chicago	43	381	61	92	\$12 million	\$24,960

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22	Washington University Skandalaris Center for Interdisciplinary Innovation & Entrepreneurship St Louis	33	445	80	52	\$55 million	\$55,385
23	University of Utah Lassonde Entrepreneur Institute Salt Lake City	15	270	73	81	\$18 million	\$26,933 (in-state) \$49,366 (out-of-state)
24	The George Washington University Center for Entrepreneurial Excellence Washington, D.C.	8	1,606	80	50	\$20 million	\$48,975
25	University of California— San Diego Institute for Innovation and Development La Jolla, Calif.	19	338	77	67	\$500 million	\$46,775 (in-state) \$50,909 (out-of-state)

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