



Polsky Center Overview

April 9, 2019 | Alumni Event in Lisle

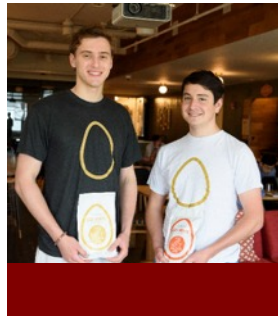
Polsky Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation



Now Supporting the Entire University, Alumni, and Community Members



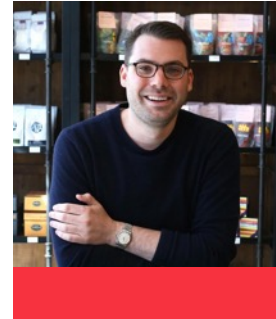
MBA and
Other Grad
Students



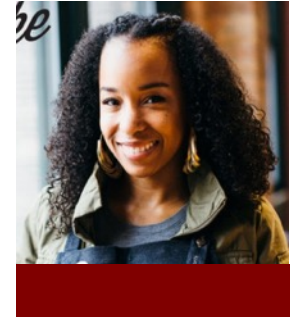
● College
Students



● Faculty and
Researchers



● Alumni



● Community
Entrepreneurs
with no University
affiliation

Entrepreneurship Education

#1

**most popular
concentration**

at Chicago Booth

30+

**entrepreneurship
and related courses**

taught by 24 faculty

Recently added Booth courses:

- Application Development
- Machine Learning
- Entrepreneurship Through Acquisition

Cross-campus expansion:

- College New Venture Challenge (CNVC)
- Entrepreneurship for Scientists
- Venture Capital and Entrepreneurial Overview

New Venture Challenge

230+
COMPANIES
still operating today

\$915+
MILLION
funding raised

\$13+
BILLION
in mergers and exits

GRUBHUB

Braintree
A **PayPal** Company

lumin**AID**



NETenergy

SoCore Energy
A **Switched Source** Company



kishr
like tea but better



swingbyte



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POWER **2** SWITCH

SWITCHED SOURCE

Stylisted

rise **interactive**

ProOnGo

FEE FIGHTERS



BloomNation

Cubii

BolderThinking

CAPTAIN U

BASE

BenchPrep

prepm^e

medspeed.
Moving Healthcare Forward

CancerIQ

EXPLORER

AgileMD

CLOSTRABIO

POLSKY

NVC: Now Has Five Tracks



NVC ● **Social NVC** ● **Global NVC** ● **College NVC** ● **Alumni NVC**

Alumni NVC



- Launched this year in **five regions**:
 - East Coast, Midwest, West Coast, Europe, and Asia
- Follows a similar phased timeline and **rigorous, milestone-driven structure** that is found in all tracks of the Edward L. Kaplan, '71, New Venture Challenge
- Join us for the ANVC finals on May 2 at Gleacher Center, visit www.chicagonvc.com

Startup Summer Program

- **Win for Students:** Provides a pre-MBA experience and 'taste of startup life' for incoming Chicago Booth students
- **Win for Alumni:** Great opportunity to get top talent and support for your startup
- **Win for the School:** Interest in the program has grown tremendously in the past three years since its launch
 - Now a global program with **70 students** working at alumni companies in **10 countries**
 - **50 alumni companies participated** in the program (19 of which hosted two interns)



Additional Support and Funding for UChicago Alumni Startups



- **Alumni Entrepreneurs Growth Forum** supports alumni with growth-stage companies looking to address the challenges of scaling their ventures to the next level



- **UChicago Startup Investment Program** makes Series A investments up to \$500,000 from the University's endowment to support promising alumni startups

Polsky Exchange and Fab Lab



- **34,000 square feet** of co-working, incubator, and events and conference space
- **Fabrication Lab** with 3D printers and other equipment for prototyping physical products
- **Robust mentoring program** with 97 expert mentors hosting 1,100+ appointments each year to help Polsky Center-affiliated startups



Polsky Center Expansion

THE MIDWEST INNOVATION HUB



DEVELOPED BY:

WEXFORD
SCIENCE+TECHNOLOGY

 **THE UNIVERSITY OF
CHICAGO**

 **Fermilab**

ARL

POWERED BY:

POLSKY

 **ILLINOIS**

 **Argonne**
NATIONAL LABORATORY

LEASED BY:

CBRE

POLSKY

Bringing Together the Best in the Midwest and Beyond

- Unique facilities found **nowhere else in the Midwest**, including specialized Wet Lab space for the applied sciences as well as advanced data analytics and high-powered computing capabilities
- New **280,000 square foot complex** will serve as a cross-disciplinary magnet of talent, innovation and industry collaboration
- **Coming: 2021**



Upcoming Events

- **Global New Venture Challenge Finals**
April 11, 2019 // Gleacher Center and will be livestreamed
- **Alumni New Venture Challenge Finals**
May 2, 2019 // Gleacher Center and will be livestreamed
- **Tours of the Polsky Exchange and Overview of the ANVC**
May 4, 2019 // Polsky Exchange (as part of Reconnect)
- **John Edwardson, '72, Social New Venture Challenge Finals**
June 4, 2019 // Harper Center and will be livestreamed
- **George Shultz Innovation Fund Spring Cycle Finals**
June 5, 2019 // Polsky Exchange and will be livestreamed
- **Edward L. Kaplan, '71, New Venture Challenge Finals**
June 6, 2019 // Harper Center and will be livestreamed
- **Tours of the Polsky Exchange and Overview of the ANVC**
June 8, 2019 // Polsky Exchange (as part of Alumni Weekend)

Get Involved: Stay Connected

- **Subscribe to the *Polsky Weekly 10***
 - Share your news and stay plugged in with all Polsky Center happenings, delivered to your inbox every Friday
 - Visit: polsky.uchicago.edu/subscribe
- **Startup Summer / Entrepreneurial Internship Program (EIP)**
 - Get access to Chicago Booth talent by offering an internship
 - Contact Megan Fox (megan.fox@ChicagoBooth.edu)
- **Innovation Fest 2019 (May 1-June 9, 2019)**
 - Annual month-long celebration showcasing UChicago's leadership in entrepreneurship and innovation and featuring more than 30+ events both in Chicago and around the globe
 - Visit: innofest.uchicago.edu

// Q&A

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