

Award History (2000 to 2018)

Category and Year Awarded	Award Recipients
Excellence in Specialty Entrepreneurship Education	
2018	Babson College (Center for Women’s Entrepreneurial Leadership)
2017	CUNY Graduate School of Journalism (Tow-Knight Center for Entrepreneurial Journalism)
2016	University of Vermont (Sustainable Entrepreneurship MBA) Duke University (Center for Advancement of Social Entrepreneurship)
2013	Ball State University (The Entrepreneurship Center)
2012	University of Florida
2011	Miami University (Institute for Entrepreneurship) University of Rochester (Center for Entrepreneurship)
2009	Rice University (Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship) MIT (MIT Entrepreneurship Center)
2008	University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
2007	University of Illinois-Chicago
2006	University of Colorado at Boulder
Outstanding Contributions to Venture Creation	
2018 (2 awardees)	Stockholm School of Entrepreneurship Michigan State University (MSU Entrepreneurship)
2017	University of Chicago (Polsky Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation)
2016	Arizona State University (Entrepreneurship + Innovation) Northwestern University (Levy Institute for Entrepreneurial Practice)
2015	University of Maryland
2011	Carnegie Mellon University (Donald H. Jones Center for Entrepreneurship) University of Virginia (Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership)
2010	University of Missouri - Kansas City
2007	Rice University
2006	University of Maryland University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
Excellence in Entrepreneurship Teaching and Pedagogical Innovation	
2018	Baylor University (John F. Baugh Center for Entrepreneurship and Free Enterprise)
2017	Oulu University of Applied Sciences, Finland (Oamk LABs)

2016	University of North Carolina – Greensboro
2015	University of Tampa
2014	University of Texas – Dallas
2012	Belmont University
2011	Villanova University (Insper Institute of Education and Research & ICE Center)
2010	University of Maryland - College Park
2008	Wake Forest University
2007	Ball State University Northern Kentucky University
2006	Boston University
Exceptional Activities in Entrepreneurship Across Disciplines	
2018	University of Massachusetts Lowell (DifferenceMaker Program) University of Utah (Lassonde Entrepreneurship Center)
2017	Villanova University (Innovation, Creativity, and Entrepreneurship Institute) University of Cincinnati (UC Center for Entrepreneurship and Commercialization – UC CEC)
2016	Cornell University (Entrepreneurship @ Cornell) San Diego State University (The Lavin Entrepreneurship Center)
2014	Northern Kentucky University
2013	University of Rochester (Center for Entrepreneurship) Stockholm School of Entrepreneurship
2012	Millikin University
2011	Wichita State University (Center for Entrepreneurship)
2010	University of North Carolina-Greensboro University of Missouri - Kansas City
2009	Georgia Tech University University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
2008	Wake Forest University
2007	University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign
2006	Pennsylvania State University Temple University
Emerging Entrepreneurship Center	
2018 (3 awardees)	Sydney School of Entrepreneurship Virginia Tech (Apex Center for Entrepreneurs at Virginia Tech) Vanderbilt University (The Wond'ry)
2017 (2 awardees)	University of New Hampshire (Peter T. Paul Entrepreneurship Center) Hofstra University (Entrepreneurship Center)
2016 (2 awardees)	London South Bank (Clarence Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation) University of Texas at El Paso (Mike Loya Center for Innovation & Commerce)

2015	University of Mississippi University of Calgary
2014	University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh Babson College
2012 (<i>new: first year award given</i>)	Kansas State University
Outstanding Student Engagement and Leadership	
2018	University of Notre Dame (The IDEA Center) Georgetown University (Georgetown Entrepreneurship Initiative)
2017	Texas A&M University (Center for New Ventures & Entrepreneurship)
2016 (<i>new: first year award given</i>)	Abilene Christian University (Griggs Center for Entrepreneurship & Philanthropy)
Outstanding Contributions to Advancing the Discipline of Entrepreneurship	
2013	Rice University (Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship)
2012	Baruch College University of Arizona
2009	University of California Berkeley, Temple University University of Texas at Dallas
2008	Boston University and Wichita State University
2006	St. Louis University Syracuse University
Exceptional Contributions in Entrepreneurship Research	
2016	Indiana University - Bloomington
2012	Indiana University - Bloomington
2009	Indiana University - Bloomington
2008	Baruch College
2006	Indiana University - Bloomington
<i>GCEC Center of Entrepreneurial Leadership – Year - Location</i>	
<i>GCEC Host Schools are recognized with this Special award</i>	
2018 – Chicago	DePaul University Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT)
2017 – Halifax, Canada	Dalhousie University University of New Brunswick
2016 – Rochester	University of Rochester Rochester Institute of Technology

2015 - Gainesville	University of Florida
2014 – London, UK	University College London
2013 – Kansas City	University of Missouri - Kansas City
2012 – Washington, DC	Georgetown University
2011 – Los Angeles	Lloyd Greif Center for Entrepreneurial Studies – University of Southern California
2010 – Pennsylvania	Farrell Center for Corporate Innovation and Entrepreneurship – Pennsylvania State University & Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation – WU Vienna
2009 – Houston	Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship, Rice University
2008 – Tucson	University of Arizona
2007 – Syracuse	Syracuse University
2006 – Northern Kentucky	Northern Kentucky University University of Cincinnati University of Dayton
GCEC Legacy Award <i>(Special Award)</i>	<i>“For pioneering and directing a university entrepreneurship center that created a legacy impact on the field of entrepreneurship”</i>
2018	Dr. Harold P. Welsch, DePaul University
2016	Dr. Donald F. Kuratko, Johnson Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation, Indiana University – Bloomington
2015	Thomas J. (Tom) O’Malia, University of Southern California
2012 <i>(new: first year award given)</i>	Dr. Rudolph (Rudy) P. Lamone, University of Maryland Dr. Gary D. Libecap, University of Arizona & University of California-Santa Barbara
GCEC Entrepreneurial Support Award <i>(Special Award)</i>	
2009	Maggie Ailes-Ball State University Travis J. Brown-Indiana University-Bloomington
NASDAQ Center of Entrepreneurial Excellence	
2018	San Diego State University (Lavin Entrepreneurship Center)
2017	University of Tampa (John P Lowth Entrepreneurship Center)
2016	Syracuse University (Falcone Center for Entrepreneurship)
2014	University of Maryland
2012	Oklahoma State University
2011	Rice University (Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship)
2010	Baylor University
2009	University of Southern California
2008	University of Arizona
2007	MIT Entrepreneurship Center
2006	University of California - Berkeley

2005	<p>Pennsylvania State University (Farrell Center for Corporate Entrepreneurship)</p> <p>University of North Carolina (Kenan-Flagler Center for Entrepreneurial Studies)</p>
2004	<p>Stanford University (Stanford Technology Ventures Program)</p> <p>Syracuse University (Falcone Center for Entrepreneurship)</p> <p>University of Portland (Center for Entrepreneurship)</p>
2003	<p>Texas Christian University (Ryffel Center for Entrepreneurial Studies)</p> <p>University of Notre Dame (Gigot Center for Entrepreneurial Studies)</p> <p>University of Colorado-Boulder (Deming Center for Entrepreneurship)</p>
2002	<p>Babson College (Arthur M. Blank Center for Entrepreneurship)</p> <p>Indiana University – Johnson Center for Entrepreneurship)</p> <p>St. Louis University (Smurfit Center for Entrepreneurial Studies)</p>
2001	<p>Columbia University (Eugene M. Lang Center for Entrepreneurship)</p> <p>Cornell University (Entrepreneurship & Personal Enterprise Program)</p> <p>University of Arizona (Karl Eller Center for Entrepreneurship)</p> <p>University of Illinois – Chicago (Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies)</p> <p>Wake Forest University (Angell Center for Entrepreneurship)</p>
2000	<p>Kauffman Foundation (Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership)</p> <p>University of Southern California (Greif Center for Entrepreneurial Studies)</p> <p>University of Maryland (Dingman Center for Entrepreneurship)</p> <p>Ball State University (Midwest Entrepreneurial Education Center)</p> <p>Carnegie-Mellon University (Jones Center for Entrepreneurship)</p> <p>Brigham Young University (Center for Entrepreneurship)</p> <p>San Diego State University (Center for Entrepreneurship)</p> <p>University of Virginia (Batten Center for Entrepreneurship)</p>

Note: Prior to 2006, the NASDAQ award was the only award presented at the GCEC Conference, and multiple schools were eligible to receive the award.