



Overview:

The Center for Advanced Entrepreneurship (CFAE) is located within the Crummer Graduate School of Business at Rollins College. The CFAE provides Rollins students, alumni and advanced stage business owners with a variety of opportunities to learn and connect both in and out of the classroom, that promote successful entrepreneurship. The CFAE ensures that students are prepared for entrepreneurial thought and action, able to apply what they've learned in a business setting and engage in the critical, creative thinking essential to entrepreneurial success.

The CFAE's equation for success is ***Advanced Students + Advanced Entrepreneurs = Advanced Action Learning.***

Graduate Program:

The Rollins MBA Entrepreneurship program has historically been ranked in the top 25 nationally by Entrepreneur magazine and the Princeton Review. Courses designed for the entrepreneurship concentration include:

- Entrepreneurship
- Entrepreneurial Finance
- Strategic Corporate Entrepreneurship
- Technology Entrepreneurship
- Applied Entrepreneurship
- Sustainability & Social Entrepreneurship

Opportunities for Student Involvement:

The CFAE offers students several opportunities for entrepreneurial activity. Internships and consulting projects allow students to experience entrepreneurship first-hand by working with an entrepreneurial company. Among these opportunities are a select number of competitively filled immersion experiences that qualify students to be recognized as Entrepreneurial Scholars of Distinction (ESD). Partner organizations with the ESD program include NASA and the Sanford-Burnham Medical Research Institute. The Entrepreneurial Leadership Connection (ELC) allows students to engage with successful entrepreneurial leaders in the business community through a mentorship program. The Collegiate Entrepreneurs' Organization (CEO), the student entrepreneurship club, organizes speaking events with successful entrepreneurs and also hosts the annual Venture Plan and Elevator Pitch Competitions. CEO has also launched First Movers, a successful for-profit business that is actively operated and managed by students. The Rollins chapter of Net Impact organizes a variety of programs and events designed to promote social entrepreneurship and sustainability initiatives throughout campus and beyond.

Opportunities for Entrepreneur Involvement:

The CFAE holds roundtables and networking events for CEOs to facilitate peer-to-peer interaction and learning. Athena *PowerLink*, is a program designed specifically to mentor women owned businesses with high growth potential. The Rollins Business Accelerator is a graduate certificate program that provides second-stage entrepreneurs the opportunity to unleash the potential of their business through an immersive 12-week course. Facilitated discussions with faculty on raising capital from angel investors are held quarterly and are free and open to the public.

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