

United States Association for Small Business & Entrepreneurship (USASBE) Announces Finalists for 2025 Excellence Awards

Entrepreneurship programs from across the country are competing for seven premier awards

LAS VEGAS, NV, UNITED STATES, February 10, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship ([USASBE](https://www.usasbe.org)) announced the finalists for the Excellence in Entrepreneurship Education Awards as part of the USASBE 2025: Fortune Favors the Bold annual conference at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, February 12-15, 2025.

"Being named a finalist in any of the seven categories of the USASBE Excellence in Entrepreneurship Education Awards is a noteworthy accomplishment," said Jennifer Capps, Interim CEO of USASBE. "These institutions exemplify a commitment to excellence in entrepreneurship education and should be extremely proud of their programs."

The USASBE Model Entrepreneurship Small Institution and Large Institution Program Awards, Model Emerging Entrepreneurship Program Award, Excellence in Pedagogical Innovation Award, and Excellence in Co-Curricular Innovation Award recognize bold and innovative programs making an impact in entrepreneurship education. These awards honor colleges and universities with evidence-based, creative, high-quality, sustainable, and impactful courses and programs in entrepreneurship education.

The USASBE Model University Accelerator/Incubator and Model Community Accelerator/Incubator Awards spotlight both collegiate and community programs that help entrepreneurs develop their ideas into viable and even scalable businesses.



2025 USASBE Excellence in
Entrepreneurship Education Award
Finalists
Model Entrepreneurship Program -
Small Institution Award
Iona University Hynes Institute for
Entrepreneurship & Innovation, New
Rochelle, NY
Entrepreneurship at Susquehanna
University, Selinsgrove, PA
College of Saint Benedict and Saint
John's University E-Scholars, St. Joseph,
MN

Model Entrepreneurship Program -
Large Institution Award
Texas Christian University
Entrepreneurship Program, Fort Worth,
TX
Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
Bachelor in Entrepreneurship at Tecnológico de Monterrey, Monterrey, Mexico

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Model Emerging Entrepreneurship Program Award
Center for L.I.F.E. (Leading the Integration of Faith &
Entrepreneurship) at Miami University, Oxford, OH
The University of Tulsa Center for Innovation and
Entrepreneurship, Tulsa, OK
Stephen F. Austin State University's Greg Arnold Center for
Entrepreneurship, Nacogdoches, TX

Excellence in Pedagogical Innovation Award
University of Oklahoma Integrated Business Core, Norman,
OK

Deakin Business Development Clinic, Victoria, Australia
Silicon Valley Venture Challenge at Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Excellence in Co-Curricular Innovation Award
The Fall Venture Showcase at the University of Tampa, Tampa, FL
Troy University IDEA Bank, Troy, AL
DYER Fellowship at the Lafayette College Dyer Center for Innovation+Entrepreneurship, Easton,
PA



Iowa State University Pappajohn Center for Entrepreneurship, Ames, IA

Model University Accelerator/Incubator Award

The INKUBATOR at Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY

E-Scholars at UMKC Regnier Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Kansas City, MO

Model Community Accelerator/Incubator Award

ASU Edson E+I, Venture Innovation Incubator Model, Chandler Endeavor, Scottsdale, AZ

The Community Entrepreneurship Program at the University of St. Thomas, Saint Paul, MN

Finalists will prepare and present their cases to a panel of judges who have the challenging task of selecting the winners from this esteemed group of finalists. All finalists will share their presentations on the main stage at the annual conference, and award recipients will be announced during a formal ceremony on February 15.

About USASBE

Founded in 1981, the United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship (USASBE) is an inclusive community of educators, researchers, and entrepreneurs advancing entrepreneurship education through bold teaching, scholarship, and practice. Membership is open to all, as is attendance at USASBE's hallmark annual conference. USASBE also publishes a peer-reviewed academic journal, *Entrepreneurship Education & Pedagogy*, and develops a variety of helpful resources and professional development opportunities for entrepreneurship educators as they create necessary change and positive impact. For more information, visit [USASBE.org](https://usasbe.org) or contact USASBE Interim CEO Jennifer Capps at ceo@usasbe.org.

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