**VCIC 2017 Winners and Finalists**

Inaugurated in 2015, the Connecticut Venture Capital Investment Competition engages teams of finance majors in evaluating the presentations by the business plan contestants. Investor industry judges in turn evaluate the investment analysis and decisions of the student investment teams.

**Spring 2017**. Southern Connecticut State again won the traveling trophy and by winning the competition for third time, earned the right to retain the bowl permanently.

**Business Plan Competition 2017 Winners and Finalists**

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| Best Online Submission (written Executive Summary) | Camp Connection |
| Best Oral Presentation | Trans Helmet |
| Best Social Enterprise | Camp Connection |
| Best Business Plan/Model – Personal Business |  |
| First place | Caddy-Clean |
| Second place | QuickTune |
| Third place | Renewabeauty |
| Best Business Plan/Model – Venture Enterprise |  |
| First place (tie) | Distinguish |
| First place (tie) | Paragon Real Estate Tech |
| Third place | Nawar |

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| **Spring Finalists** |

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| **Team** | **Leader** | **Company** | **University** | **Adviser** | **Product or Service** |
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| Joshua | Macari | **Caddy-Clean** | Quinnipiac University | Dale Jasinski | The all in one golf club cleaner. |
| Emma | Roache | **Camp Connection** | Quinnipiac University | Dale Jasinski | Bringing camp magic to those who need it most |
| Leandro | Thomas | **D.I.N.E** | University of Connecticut | Lisa Kroner | D.I.N.E is a food service. |
| John | Penney | **Distinguish** | Quinnipiac University | Dale Jasinski | App identifying homonyms and teaches distinguishing techniques |
| Breylin | Jones | **Fantasy TradePin** | Central Connecticut State | Drew Harris | Trade Analyzer App for Fantasy Sports |
| Daron | Villanova | **LogAll** | Central Connecticut State | Drew Harris | Accounting Management Software for Truckers |
| Nawar | Najjar | **Nawar** | University of Bridgeport - SOE | Gad J. Selig | Rescue Wristband Device for swimmers to prevent drowning |
| Lamia | Ben Halim | **Pantry-Cam, LLC** | University of Bridgeport - SOE | Gad J. Selig | Automated Home Inventory Replenishment System |
| Victor | Hunt | **Paragon Real Estate** | Yale College (Undergraduate) | Maureen Burke | The Only Online Marketplace for Building Maintenance |
| John | Fenton | **QuickTune** | Quinnipiac University | Dale Jasinski | Drum tuning device |
| Carissa | Judd | **Renewabeauty** | Quinnipiac University | Dale Jasinski | Repurposed produce transformed into natural skincare and makeup |
| Swarnali | Mukhopadhyay | **Thermogenizer** | University of New Haven | Ravi Gorthala | keep your pizza warm |
| Reem | Alattas | **Trans Helmet** | University of Bridgeport - SOE | Elena Cahill | Smart bicycle helmet with adaptive light notification system |
| Blevie | Meyia Lucchesi | **Trocy** | University of Bridgeport - SOB | Dorian Yanez | Students' platform to exchange goods and services |

**2017 Business Plan Competition Winners and Finalists**

**Fall Winners**

Best Online Submission (written Executive Summary) Immersive Shift Labs

Best Oral Presentation Minority Students and Nonverbal Communication

Best Social Enterprise KidWatch

Best Business Plan/Model – Personal Business

First place Camp Evolution

Second place Tiny Toes

Best Business Plan/Model – Venture Enterprise

First place LendR

Second place GS Thermal Solutions

**Fall Finalists**

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| **Team** | **Leader** | **Company** | **University** | **Adviser** | **Product or Service** |

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| Erin | Vecsey | **Camp Evolution - A BMX Summer Camp** | Central Connecticut State University (CCSU) | Gregory Berry | Unique BMX Summer Camp That Offers Training Sessions |
| Seifallah | Mejri | **Écran** | University of Bridgeport - School of Engineering | Elena Cahill | Antipollution tinted moisturizer |
| James | Marquis | **GS Thermal Solutions** | University of Bridgeport - School of Engineering | Gad Selig | A patented programmable plant light growing system |
| Mahmoud | Morshedy | **Immersive Shift Labs** | University of Bridgeport - School of Engineering | Rahul Chaudhary | Holographic visualization for Medical images using mixed reality |
| Dan | Tenney | **KidWatch** | University of Bridgeport - School of Engineering | Gad Selig | Reliable children GPS watch-48 hour battery backup to locate missing child. |
| Mayank | Nath | **LendR** | University of Bridgeport - School of Business | Jim Dougherty, Dorian Yanez | Peer to peer cash delivery App. |
| Nate | Taylor | **Minority Students and Nonverbal Communication** | Wesleyan University | Makaela Kingsley | Maximizing Social and Emotional Intelligence Through Nonverbal Communication for Minorities |
| Wesley | Clapp | **Newsreal** | Quinnipiac University | Erika Paulson | user-created and shareable news social mobile application |
| Melissa | Gambino | **Tiny Toes** | Gateway Community College | Rose E Luglio | Premium gift baskets for babies and mothers |
| Chase | Balloch | **Tried & True Technology** | Quinnipiac University | Dave Tomczyk | wearable device nurses wear to receive patient alerts |