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## Calling all South Carolina college students! Compete for <u>\$10,000</u> in cash prizes.

- Are you ready to dig into a promising business idea or launch a social enterprise? Develop and pitch your innovative idea (virtually) in the **first-ever SC Innovates Pitch Competition**.
- Up to 15 semifinalists will advance to the Virtual Finale on 11/18/2020
  - \$10,000 (so far) will be awarded for the best student ideas... all semifinalists guaranteed at least \$100
- Must be enrolled in at least 1 credit at a SC college/university during Fall 2020 (1-3 student members per team)
- All entries must be for new, independent, student ventures/ideas. Create a short video + 5 slides to compete!
- Registration Deadline: 10/25/2020 (11:59pm ET)
  - Register and Get Started Here: <u>https://live.startupwind.com/uofsc-sc-innovates-2020</u>
  - Click "Create New Idea" ... Your simple Idea Card must be created by 10/25 to participate
- Phase 1 Submission Deadline: 11/1/2020 (11:59pm ET)

## Phase 1 Submission Requirements: Pitch Deck + Pitch Video

#### • **5-Slide Pitch Deck**

- Slide 1: Title Slide -- venture name, team member names, contact info, and YouTube link
- Slide 2: Problem
- Slide 3: Solution
- Slide 4: Revenue Model
- Slide 5: Social and/or Environmental Impact (<u>17 Global Goals</u>) (<u>Intro to Social Entrepreneurship</u>)
- Use a combination of bullet points and images to make your idea stand out (pitch deck examples)
- **90 Second Pitch Video** (technically, video must be 75 sec minimum to 105 sec maximum)
  - The pitch video is your opportunity to tell the story of your business idea and to stand out from other entries... there is no specific format for the video
  - A straightforward approach would be using a screen-sharing software (Screencastify or Zoom) to record yourself discussing the slides
  - Other approaches could involve iMovie, Powtoon, or other video editing programs, making an animated video or sketchbook, interviewing potential customers about your idea, etc.
  - **Upload your video to YouTube**. Make sure viewing permissions are NOT set to private. We suggest using the unlisted setting. Include the YouTube link on the Title Slide.

### **Judging Criteria**

10 pts	How well does the team articulate the <b>problem</b> ?	
10 pts	How well does the team articulate the <b>solution</b> ?	
10 pts	How well does the team articulate the <b>revenue model</b> ?	
10 pts	How well does the team articulate the <b>social/environmental impact</b> ?	
5 pts	To what extent is the business idea innovative (novel, unique, unconventional)?	
5 pts	To what extent is the business idea <b>feasible</b> (realistic, implementable, commercially viable)?	

#### **Questions? Contact Us!**

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