Baylor’s accelerated Ventures Program honored by Southwestern Business Deans’ Association

The Southwestern Business Deans’ Association honored Baylor University’s Hankamer School of Business the 2013 Bobby G. Bizzell Innovative Achievement Award winner for its Accelerated Ventures Program.

The Town of Addison and Baylor University launch Entrepreneur Incubator

Entrepreneurship students in Baylor’s Accelerated Ventures Program, who launch a new online business as part of their course work, can continue to grow their companies after graduation as part of a new partnership agreement with the Town of Addison, Texas.

The program teaches students to create real online companies, raise real funds, create marketing plans, launch products and services, and generate sales.

“Addison has an amazing entrepreneurial eco-system that has helped cultivate many of the region’s burgeoning companies,” said Orlando Campos, director of Economic Development in Addison. “When we learned about the Accelerated Ventures Program at Baylor, we saw this as a tremendous opportunity to leverage our existing ecosystem to support new business startups, and cultivate strong working relationships with new businesses that could be based in our community.”

Baylor’s New Campus for Business and Innovation

Announcements about a new home for Baylor’s Hankamer School of Business were issued at a steady pace over the summer. In May, the Baylor Regents voted to move forward in developing the design for the proposed new school of business building.

In June, a second announcement disclosed that the university a $35 million gift from Paul L. Foster, BBA ’79, of El Paso, which represents the largest gift from a living alumnus in Baylor’s history. Foster’s gift will support the University’s $100 million campaign to construct a new 275,000-square-foot facility - to be named the Paul L. Foster Campus for Business and Innovation.

Baylor’s MBA students placed second and received other accolades at the 15th Annual National Collegiate Sales Competition (NCSC) at Kennesaw State University.

A group of students participated in weekly study sessions to earn the Certified Treasury Professional (CTP) designation. The Corporate Treasury Management program offered by the Association for Financial Professionals allows students to take the CTP professional certification exam and become certified while still a student. Students won second place in the 106 annual Texas Investment Portfolio Symposium (TIPS) at Rice University. Five universities made it to the final round of the Portfolio Manager’s Competition.

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“We offer a ‘mini MBA’ program within the Texas prison system that transforms inmates into entrepreneurs,” said Bert Smith, CEO of the Prison Entrepreneurship Program (PEP). Through the program, the inmates also develop complete business plans for a real venture that they can pursue after release.

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