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## Twelve finalists compete for almost \$100,000 at RBC Fast Pitch Competition

CALGARY, AB--(Marketwired - April 12, 2016) - From streamlining the agriculture industry to artisan pizza made in a vending machine, Haskayne School of Business students flex their entrepreneurial muscles and compete for almost \$100,000 at the 2016 RBC Fast Pitch Competition hosted by the Hunter Centre for Entrepreneurship and Innovation.

In today's economic climate, we are reinforcing that innovation is key. This intensive, first-of-its-kind in Canada, experiential course saw 500 students from the fall and winter semesters collectively put in 1500 hours of rigorous problem-solving. They were supported by 106 business advisors and presented in front of 42 judges. Now, just 12 finalists remain to pitch their entrepreneurial idea in front of a panel of esteemed judges on April 15.

See the [backgrounder](#) for a list of finalists and judges for the second annual RBC Fast Pitch Competition.

**WHAT:** RBC Fast Pitch Competition

**WHEN:** Friday, April 15, 2016

Welcome -- 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Team 1-6 presentations -- 12:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Team 7-12 presentations -- 2:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Reception, keynote and awards -- 3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** University of Calgary Downtown Campus, 906 8 Ave SW, Calgary AB

**WHO:** Naheed Nenshi, Mayor, City of Calgary

Jim Dewald, Dean, Haskayne School of Business

Kimberly Neutens, Director, Hunter Centre for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Haskayne School of Business

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executive education programs, and stays connected with its more than 21,000 alumni in 80 countries worldwide.

The vision of the Haskayne School of Business is to be an internationally recognized centre of excellence for business education, research, and community outreach, with a special emphasis on the distinct elements that define Calgary and Alberta: energy, entrepreneurship, and ethical leadership.

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