**16th Annual Venture Capital Investment Competition**

**Application Form – Instructions**

**Instructions for completing and preparing the application:**

* Each team must complete only one application in aggregate.
* Collect all application materials and assemble them in the following order:

1. Application form (please type directly on second page of this document)
2. Team resumes package (place resumes in same order as listed on first page of application)
3. PowerPoint pitch (described below)

* Combine all Application forms, resume package, and PowerPoint slides and save as a single PDF.
* Name the PDF “VCIC: [Your Team Name]”

**PowerPoint pitch presentation: Maximum of 5 slides. Please feel free to create your presentation in a way you think best showcases your competitive advantages. The committee will select the teams it feels are most likely to win the competition series and the most important goal is to differentiate your team. The bullet points below (except the last one) are only for guidance:**

* Why are you looking to compete in VCIC?
* Team’s competitive advantage, track record – what will make you the winning team?
* Please tell us what you bring to the table that you think is an advantage
* Strategy/Plan – what resources will you draw on, how will you use your resources to win, how will you mitigate weaknesses or gaps in your team
* Propose 1-2 investments; Why is it an attractive *investment* (not just an attractive company)? What are you concerned about? How much would you invest and at what price? Please keep this simple – no valuations, models, or term sheets necessary.

**By Monday, November 18th at 10:00 am:**

* Send one electronic copy of the complete application packet to [Nora Mansfield](mailto:nora.mansfield@ChicagoBooth.edu). You may use either of the following methods for sending this application packet:
* Email the file as an attachment or in a zipped folder
* Upload the file to a [Dropbox](http://www.dropbox.com/) folder and share the folder with [Nora Mansfield](mailto:nora.mansfield@ChicagoBooth.edu)
* Deliver the $50 application fee, to Nora Mansfield in the Polsky Center (Harper Center Suite 207). The fee must be paid in the form of cash or a check made out to the University of Chicago and with “VCIC-[your team name]” in the memo line.

**Reminders:**

* Both first- and second-year students, as well as part-time MBA students are eligible to participate in the VCIC; however, please note that the process is highly competitive.
* Please review the [VCIC Rules and Regulations](http://www.vcic.org/students/rules/) for before submitting your application.
* The Chicago Booth VCIC competition will be held on Friday, January 17, 2019. The regional competition will take place February 7, 2020 in Boulder, Colorado, and the international competition will take place March 27-28, 2020 in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Five members from your Chicago Booth team *must* be able to attend both the regional and the international competitions. A sixth member of your team may attend and observe the competition but cannot participate.

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**VCIC Team Name** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Names, CNET IDs, emails, and Booth Program/Year (or UofC affiliation if non-Booth) of all team members**

*In order to compete in the Chicago Booth VCIC, your team must consist of five core team members, with up to two additional alternates (who will only observe on the day of). Only five team members may attend and compete in the regional and national competition. Please list the five core team members first (alphabetically) followed by up to two alternate team members (alphabetically).*

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|  | ***Name*** | ***CNET ID*** | ***Email Address*** | ***Alternate or Core Member?*** | ***MBA Program and Year*** |
| *1* | *EXAMPLE: Cerise Miller* | *cmille123* | [*cerise.miller@chicagobooth.edu*](mailto:cerise.miller@chicagobooth.edu) | *Core* | *E/W 2020* |
| *2* |  |  |  | *Core* | *FT 2018* |
| *3* |  |  |  | *Core* |  |
| *4* |  |  |  | *Core* |  |
| *5* |  |  |  | *Core* |  |
| *6* |  |  |  | *Alternate* |  |
| *7* |  |  |  | *Alternate* |  |

**Please list your team members (by above number) who have taken or are enrolled in the following courses. Past teams have reported that Entrepreneurial Finance, Commercializing Innovation, and New Venture Strategy have been particularly helpful. (For example, if Cerise took Entrepreneurial Finance, enter ‘1’)**

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| ***Classes*** |  |
| 34101 (Entrepreneurial Finance) | (1,2,3,4,5,6,7) |
| 34106 (Commercializing Innovation) |  |
| 34102 (New Venture Strategy) |  |
| 34103 (Building the New Venture) |  |
| 34104 (NVC) |  |
| 34111 (Entrepreneurial Selling) |  |

**Are any core team members not available to attend the regional or international competitions? If any team members are uncertain of schedules please list their name and when they’ll have more clarity regarding their schedule. Which alternate members are available to attend regional or international competitions?**

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