

# Funding Opportunities

Translational research grants, pitch competitions, and other funding opportunities are available through Duke and our partners to help innovators bring their ideas to life.

Researcher  
Social Innovator  
Student

## Duke Programs

 my Funding Opportunities	myRESEARCHhome	The Funding Opportunities widget in <b>myRESEARCHhome</b> recommends relevant internal and external funding opportunities based on your research profile. Recommendations are updated in real time as new funding cycles open.	●		
 Duke Incubation Fund	Duke Incubation Fund	The <b>Duke Incubation Fund</b> provides up to \$20,000 to support idea-stage projects with potential for providing an impact on society	●	●	
 Duke Clinical & Translational Science Institute	Duke Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI)	The <b>Duke Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI)</b> accelerates the translation and implementation of scientific discoveries into health benefits for patients and communities. The CTSI provides grant support for all stages of translation (T1-T4) from discovery science to clinical trials and community interventions.	●		
 Duke MEDx	MEDx	<b>MEDx</b> (Medicine + Engineering at Duke) was forged to enhance existing ties and foster new interdisciplinary collaborations between the School of Medicine and Pratt School of Engineering. Several grant opportunities are available for collaborative innovation development	●		
 Duke Institute for Health Innovation	Innovation Jam	<b>The Innovation Jam</b> is a “Shark Tank” style event to which all Duke faculty, staff, and students are invited to apply and/or attend. Applicants submit pragmatic health innovations with immediate application at Duke and/or commercial potential to pitch to administrators for funding.	●		
 Duke Institute for Health Innovation	DIHI Digital Health Accelerator	<b>The DIHI digital health accelerator</b> not only provides business support to new companies but can validate the technology within the clinical workflow of the provider and patient. Grants available through annual RFA.	●		
 WALLACE H. COULTER Foundation	Coulter Grants	Since 2006, the goal of the <b>Duke-Coulter Translational Partnership Grant Program</b> has been to accelerate the development of promising bioengineering research that address important unmet clinical needs and leads to improvement in commercial development and clinical practice.	●		
 FOUR POINTS INNOVATION	Four Points Innovation	<b>Four Points Innovation</b> , a strategic partnership between Duke University and Deerfield Management, is focused on supporting and accelerating the translation of research into new therapies to treat and cure society's most formidable healthcare challenges.	●		
 MedBlue	MedBlue	<b>MedBlue Incubator</b> is a for-profit incubator designed to foster translation of research primarily from (but not limited to) the Duke School of Medicine. Focus is on pharmaceuticals, med devices and diagnostics, but projects from other technology areas are welcome to apply.	●		
 CENTER FOR ADVANCED HINDSIGHT	Center for Advanced Hindsight	The <b>Center for Advanced Hindsight Startup Lab</b> helps health and financial decision-making startups leverage behavioral science to make products that people want. Selected teams receive funding, space and access to a team of mentors with expertise in decision sciences.	●		●
 Translating Duke Health	Translating Duke Health	<b>Translating Duke Health</b> is a platform of resources – including people, services, technology, infrastructure and funding – focusing on areas where Duke Health can have the greatest impact on transformative treatments and prevention strategies.	●		

	<b>Duke Angel Network (DAN)</b>	The <b>Duke Angel Network</b> supports the global Duke entrepreneurial community with an angel investing platform and co-investment fund. DAN actively engages and matches Duke alumni network expertise with portfolio companies to support growth and success.	●	●	●
	<b>ChangeWorks</b>	<b>ChangeWorks Global Social Innovation Challenge</b> provides a platform of guidance and funding for Duke students to pursue a business idea that proposes an innovative solution to a real world social problem. The competition is open to both undergraduate and graduate students.		●	
	<b>Duke Startup Challenge</b>	The <b>Duke Startup Challenge</b> , founded in 1999, is designed to help Duke's entrepreneurship community flourish, with a yearlong entrepreneurship competition followed by an accelerator program.		●	●
	<b>Melissa &amp; Doug Entrepreneurs</b>	<b>Melissa &amp; Doug Entrepreneurs</b> is a selective, year-long intensive fellowship program in which undergraduate students create their own great startup. MDE is ideal for students who have a specific startup idea and want to spend the next year launching their company, with a goal of continuing to grow and run that startup.			●
	<b>Baquerizo Innovation Grant</b>	The <b>Baquerizo Innovation Grant</b> program supports Duke undergraduates developing highly innovative technological solutions to the world's greatest problems by providing up to \$20,000 in grants each year.			●
	<b>Innovation Co-Lab</b>	The <b>Innovation Co-Lab</b> is a creativity incubator, focused on exploring how new and emerging technologies can fundamentally reshape the research, academic, and service missions of the university. The Co-Lab offers community nights, coding classes, prototyping facilities and grants for exploring new ideas.			●

## External Programs and Partnerships open to alumni and community members

	<b>Triangle Venture Alliance</b>	<b>Triangle Venture Alliance</b> , a partnership between Duke University, the University of North Carolina, NC State University and North Carolina Central University, is a network of alumni angel groups created to fund start-ups founded by alumni, students, staff, faculty and families.	●		●
	<b>Osage Partners</b>	<b>Osage Partners</b> is a family of venture capital funds that includes Osage Venture Partners and Osage University Partners. Each fund has a dedicated professional staff and a distinct investment strategy.	●		
	<b>NC IDEA SEED</b>	<b>NC IDEA SEED</b> offers early stage companies the critical funding they need to scale faster. Our \$50K grants are awarded to innovative startups with a proven concept — even if they are not yet profitable. The funds, along with mentorship and guidance, push companies forward and reduce risk associated with growing startups.	●		
	<b>NCBC</b>	The <b>North Carolina Biotechnology Center</b> offers several funding programs designed to fill gaps in technology development and company growth. These funds help university researchers and companies conduct critical studies and reach significant development milestones that enable them to attract follow-on funding.	●	●	
	<b>SBIR Grants</b>	The <b>Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program</b> is a highly competitive grant program that encourages domestic small businesses to engage in Federal Research/Research and Development that has the potential for commercialization. Matching funds available through <b>One NC Small Business Program</b> .	●		

	<b>Kenan Biddle Partnership</b>	<p>The <b>Kenan Biddle Partnership</b> promotes collaboration between Duke and UNC students. Ideal projects will offer innovative solutions to a social or environmental need within their campus, local, or global community.</p>		●	●
	<b>Clinton Global Initiative</b>	<p>Working within the CGI U Commitment to Action model, <b>CGI U Innovation Fund grants</b> will provide students with critical seed funding (\$2,000 to \$10,000) to help launch and scale their early-stage projects. Accepted students receiving funding will also be invited to attend the CGI U meeting.</p>		●	
	<b>Hult Prize</b>	<p>The <b>Hult Prize</b> challenges young people to solve the world's toughest issues by empowering them to make money, do good and make life better for millions of people through the creation of for good for profit businesses.</p>		●	
	<b>ACC InVenture Prize</b>	<p>The <b>ACC InVenture Prize</b> is an innovation competition in which teams of undergraduates representing each ACC university pitch their inventions or businesses before a live audience and a panel of judges. Teams will compete for \$30,000 in prizes and a chance to be the next ACCIP winner.</p>			●