

Application Deadlines

Ascender Scholarship Program – Rolling application deadline

Description: Ascender is offering the education and support system too many talented entrepreneurs have historically been shut out of. With the help of the Roy Hunt Foundation, Ascender will cover 6 months of membership in its coworking space to include all of their entrepreneurial programming, coaching and resources for underserved and underrepresented founders.

11/1 (Submissions: Aug 1 – Nov 1, 2026)

Break the Barrier, by Inventacare: Healthcare Innovation Competition (Open to students, faculty, and current founders)

11/2

Entrepreneurs Roundtable Accelerator (ERA)

11/3

Applications Open: Rice Business Plan Competition

11/9

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1/20

Duke Fuqua School of Business: New Ideas: A Dialogue Project Competition

1/31

Rice Business Plan Competition – Apply by 11:59 PM!

Ongoing

SBIR/STTR Federal Application Deadlines