

IIT teams take top honors at CEQ

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The Chicago Entrepreneurial Quest took place on February 16, 2007. The event was a great success with 35 students participating from 4 different schools. Plans are already in motion for the next Quest.

Starting with just a single clue, teams of the brightest undergraduate entrepreneurs from Illinois Institute of Technology, DePaul University, Milwaukee School of Engineering, and University of Illinois at Chicago followed a path of quick business decisions, innovation and money to compete for cash prizes. Using downtown Chicago as the Quest's playing field, students get to meet between, several innovative Chicago-area companies and organizations, including Motorola, the Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce, Chicagoland Entrepreneurial Center, Stuart School of Business, Businesspov.com, Inventables, World Business Chicago and the Jules F. Knapp Entrepreneurship Center, testing their entrepreneurial skills. The core of the Quest was the four main tasks: an elevator pitch, a rapid prototyping activity, a media interview, and a written opportunity assessment report.

The Quest was concluded with a closing ceremony at the IIT Downtown campus, where the day was presented in video for students, volunteers, sponsors and guests, as the top prizes were handed out.

The IIT teams took top honors by clinching the first place and tying for the second place with a Milwaukee School of Engineering team. The third place was won by a team from University of Illinois at Chicago. Congratulations to all the winners!