

Governor's Institutes 2026 Embedded Credit

BUS-130: Creativity & Innovation

Rising Juniors and Seniors are eligible to receive embedded college credit by completing this Institute. **Receiving college credit is not necessary to participate in the Institute— all students will have equal access to activities and experiences at the Institute whether they pursue this credit or not.**

Receiving college credit has additional costs beyond GIV tuition, although most students can cover the course fees in full by using a Vermont Dual Enrollment voucher.

For more information, see the GIV Academic Guide at <https://giv.org/academicguide>

Accrediting Institution: Champlain College

Credits: 3 (45 hours)

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Hybrid Class

- In-person coursework dates: June 21– June 27, 2026
 - GIV Entrepreneurship Institute on the Champlain campus
- Online submission of wrap-up assignments
 - Due July 15, 2026

This course is your chance to take what you learned at the Institute and actually *bring it to life*. You'll work as part of a team to apply key entrepreneurship skills—like building a Business Model Canvas, developing a pitch, and understanding the financial side of a business.

Then, you'll take it a step further.

After the Institute, you'll create your *own* business idea based on something you care about. You'll design a Business Model Canvas, write an Executive Summary, and develop a pitch that showcases your vision. This is your opportunity to turn your interests into something real and build a project you can be proud of.

As a bonus, your work can be submitted to the annual Business Model Canvas Competition in May—giving you the chance to share your idea, gain recognition, and compete with other student entrepreneurs.