

DAVIDSON INVENTORS CHALLENGE 2026 Schedule

Following registration deadline Friday 26 September 2025:

- Info pack sent to all registered student teams: Monday 30 September 2025
- Competition launch webinar: Thursday 2 October 2025
- Mentor allocation to teams

Output 1

Project outline submission by participating teams deadline –Monday 1 December 2025

Mid-project review 1: written mentor feedback circulated to student teams on Monday 15 December 2025

**Output 2**

Report initial draft submission deadline: Thursday 15 January 2026

Mid-project Review 2: Mentors giving feedback to student teams online - meeting to take place by the end of January. **Mentors to arrange date/time directly with teacher lead before the Christmas break. Teacher or school rep must be present**

**Output 3**

Final project report submission deadline: Friday 27 February 2026

Mentor marking during first two weeks in March. Mentor panel convenes to discuss report scores and agree on shortlist and nominate three finalist teams.

Shortlisted teams announced: Monday 16 March 2026

**Final and Awards Ceremony: 26 March 2026 (hybrid event)**

Shortlisted teams come to Cambridge to present at the Department to our members, graduates, and industry reps with certificate award to the competition winner by the Institution of Chemical Engineers President.

Wrap-up careers webinar with CEB graduates: Thurs 2 April 2026 TBC