

DRAPER'S SILICON SUMMER PITCH PRIZE

X

ENSCHEDÉ **SLISH'D**

WIN A GOLDEN TICKET TO
DRAPER UNIVERSITY'S HERO
TRAINING PROGRAM IN
SILICON VALLEY



DRAPER
UNIVERSITY

X

LUMO
LABS

X

NovelT

Hi, startup founders! Building something exciting in software or smart hardware and you're ready to take the next step? This is your shot. One founder will win access to one of Silicon Valley's most dynamic startup experiences: the five-week Hero Training Program at Draper University.

THE OPPORTUNITY

This is your chance to join the five-week Hero Training Program at Draper University in San Mateo, California, from October 20th to November 21st, 2025.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Full tuition to Draper University's Hero Training Program
- Accommodation and co-working space in downtown San Mateo
- Flight costs covered
- Workshops, speaker sessions, hands-on training, team challenges

Total value: \$14,000

The real win? Learning fast, building momentum, and expanding your network in a global startup environment.

WHY IT'S WORTH IT

- Immersive experience in the heart of Silicon Valley
- A packed schedule of modules, founder stories, expert sessions and startup drills
- Meet founders, mentors, VCs and build connections that matter
- Grow your skills and mindset to lead your startup with more clarity and confidence

It's an intense, high-energy program designed to help early-stage founders move faster and think bigger.

UNDER THE FINALS – ENSCHEDE SLUSH'D EDITION

Date: August 28th

Time: 14:30-16:30 CET

Location: U Parkhotel, University of Twente (Netherlands)



With Draper University joining live from California

Six finalists will pitch live on stage. Each gets 5 minutes to present and 10 minutes Q&A with the jury. Bring one supporter to help during the Q&A session.

After all pitches, the jury, together with Draper University, will select the winner.



HOW TO APPLY

Send in the following:

- Your pitch deck (max 10 slides)
- A short motivation (max 500 words OR 60-second video)

Submit via email: goldenticket@lumolabs.io

Deadline: Thursday, August 7th, 2025

WHO CAN JOIN

To be eligible, your startup should:

- Be less than 5 years old
- Focused on software or smart hardware
- Be in customer validation or early market entry
- Be based in the Netherlands, Belgium, or Germany
- Be innovative, scalable, and impact-driven

We're looking for motivated founders who are ready to grow, share their journey, and get the most out of this opportunity.

WHAT THE JURY LOOKS FOR

- Clear innovation and a strong business case
- Scalability and potential for real-world impact
- The energy and drive of the founder (or team member) who will attend the program

ABOUT THE ORGANIZERS

The competition is a collaboration between:

Draper University – founded by Silicon Valley VC Tim Draper, focused on building the next generation of global innovators.

LUMO Labs – supporting early-stage startups working on tech for good.

And this years' edition will be organized together with **Novel-T** during **Enschede Slush'D**.

Together with local partners, we're opening the door to one of the most inspiring startup ecosystems in the world.

Questions? Reach out to Meron Mekonnen at meron@lumolabs.io.

BEST OF LUCK! LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOUR PITCH.



X

LUMO
LABS

X

NovelT

X

ENSCHÉDE
SLUSH'D