## Tyler Winklevoss #16

Co-founder and CEO of Gemini, principal of Winklevoss Capital





Age

Place of birth

39

Southhampton, U.S.

Place of residence

New York, U.S.

Category

Founders, Investing

Alma mater Harvard University, University of Oxford - Said Business School

**Known for** 

Founding precursor project to Facebook, investing in the blockchain/cryptocurrency space

"I think that if you are a company in 2019, and you don't have a crypto story or game plan, it's kind of crazy. And if you don't, I'm sure you're scrambling around to get one."

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## **Biography:**

Tyler Winklevoss is an entrepreneur and co-founder of cryptocurrency exchange and custody service Gemini, along with his brother Cameron Winklevoss. Tyler attended the University of Harvard where he and Cameron created the social media platform ConnectU, which they would later claim was stolen by Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg. Tyler co-founded Winklevoss Capital Management in 2015, which invests across multiple asset classes and provides seed funding to startups. Tyler is also an accomplished rower, having participated in the crew at both Harvard and Oxford, and at the 2008 Olympic games.

## **Tyler Winklevoss's 2019:**

In April. the Winklevoss twins reached an agreement with Bitcoin entrepreneur Charlie Shrem over a lawsuit in which the Winklevoss accused Shrem of stealing 5,000 BTC from the brothers to fund a lavish lifestyle of Maseratis, boats and other goods. Shrem had denied the allegations since 2012. In May, the book "Bitcoin Billionaires: A True Story of Genius, Betrayal, and Redemption" was published, written by Ben Mezrich, whose book "Accidental Billionaires" formed the inspiration for the movie, "The Social Network." The

book details the Winklevoss twins' journey in the cryptocurrency space.

## What Cointelegraph expects for 2020:

The Gemini exchange has committed to working within the strict confines of existing regulatory frameworks, with a particular focus on bringing institutional investors into the crypto space. As such, Gemini frequently engages with pilot programs and strategic partnerships with a variety of traditional financial institutions as well as established players in the crypto industry. In mid-December 2019, Gemini launched a reporting pilot for cryptocurrency holdings under custody in collaboration with financial services firm, State Street Corporation. We expect similar pilot programs and partnerships in the coming months as well as investments into blockchain infrastructure and protocol development.