Rice University News Around Campus

New Faculty Mentoring Program

In August of 2011, Rice introduced the largest and most diverse group of students to its history. In order to continue the mission of our expanded undergraduate community, a new Faculty Mentoring Program was introduced.

Every incoming student was matched with a faculty mentor for guidance on issues related to both academic and personal development. Many faculty members had already been serving in this role informally, but the new program provides mechanisms to make the mentoring experience official and formalize the resources available to them.

The program also formalizes the importance of a mentoring program for both students and faculty members, as evidenced by the fact that President David Leebron himself has personally mentored students for years.

Faculty mentorship has been keeping up with new students by meeting individually, for group functions and connecting with their students via social media.

The Rice Centennial House

Supporting Habitat for Humanity

The Rice Day Ball, Oct. 12, 2011, was the opening event for the Rice Centennial House because a level of activity and diverse cultural programs became the hallmark of the university.

The rice balls will build needed support for an exciting new student-led project, the Rice Centennial House.

With the participation of the Centennial Celebrations applauding, Rice’s Centennial House aims to open the possibility for students and visitors to experience the living traditions that make Rice a special place.

â€œWe want to create a chance to talk about the community on this project, and also help tell them how fantastic our programs are.â€

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We are excited to be a part of this important effort, which Rice hopes to continue to build as the program grows.

Professor Richard Tapia Receives National Medal of Science

“This National Medal of Science is a wonderful recognition of someone who has had tremendous influence and dedication. Dr. Tapia is an example of what Rice and faculty members believe in what Rice is trying to do.â€

Looking to the future, we expect our Faculty Mentoring Program to continue to enhance student-time at Rice by fostering an environment where exploration, discussion and collaborations are valued and supported through interaction of faculty mentors and problem solvers.

Important Dates

Rice TV Un Convention 2012

April 11-15, 2012

A comprehensive open house to show off Rice’s quality and innovation in a new and different environment. A Centennial Celebrations informative event. Visit www.rice.edu/unconvention to see what will be going on inside the building.

Dear Rice Families,

I hope you are enjoying the updates these newsletters provide. As I write this, we are already engaged in another round of final exams and summer sessions, working closely with the registrar’s office to ensure that the new term begins as smoothly as possible.

During this summer, some students will be making plans for summer internships, travel, and community outreach. The job search process can be challenging, but I hope you will see your role as the exciting educational endeavor as you also play a vital role in the success of our students and our program. Please encourage your students to seek the resources on campus for information, advice and guidance as they make these decisions.

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Office of the President's Travel Advisory

Best wishes,

President David Leebron

Office_of_the_President.asp. 

http://professor.rice.edu/professor/ 

Student Life News Around Campus Support for Rice

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Homecoming & Reunion 2011

Student Life
Self-Governance

of what we have accomplished — together.

faculty. This community of self-governance pushes individuals to develop leadership skills, to make tough decisions, and to move on.

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We believe that alcohol use can be a public health problem and can negatively affect our college community, our students, and our university. To address this issue, we have developed comprehensive policies and programs focused on reducing alcohol use, promoting responsible drinking, and providing safe and healthy alternatives. These efforts have led to a decrease in the number of alcohol-related incidents and a significant improvement in the overall campus climate.

We are committed to continuing our efforts to create a culture of health and well-being on campus. Our goal is to foster a community where alcohol use is not a priority, and where students can thrive and succeed without the negative impact of alcohol consumption.

For more information about our alcohol use and abuse policies, please visit: http://students.rice.edu/students/alcohol/
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In addition to being a source of pride for the National Medal of Science awardee, Rice also boasts many extraordinary students, including our Nobel Prize winner, our Fulbright winners and our College Scholars.

To see a video of the award ceremony, please visit: www.youtube.com/watch?v=CGQKb7QGQG4

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