

GETTING INVOLVED AT RICE

You can get involved in supporting the university in a wide variety of ways. Here are a few suggestions:

- Be an **Advocate** – All alumni can help to increase public awareness of Rice and the value of the Rice experience in their area:
 - Wear Rice gear when you can – to the gym, to the store, etc.
 - Hang your Rice diploma in your office
 - Talk about Rice and the things Rice is doing through our students and faculty – follow along by receiving the Dateline Rice updates (www.news.rice.edu)
 - Keep your information up to date at www.alumni.rice.edu to connect with colleagues, friends and others in the Rice community
 - Encourage qualified high school students in your area to investigate and apply to Rice
- **Alumni Groups**- Help alumni & friends stay connected to Rice through alumni activities by joining with the leadership of an alumni group to coordinate programs and activities for alumni in your interest group or area.
- **Attend Events or Participate in Alumni Activities** – Rice has activities throughout the year and around the country – even some with virtual participation options – check www.alumni.rice.edu/events for up-to-date details.
- **Connect with students** – Be a mentor and make a difference in the life of a student and/or fellow alum. It can be as simple as signing up for the OWL Career Mentor Group on LinkedIn. For more information, visit <http://ccd.rice.edu/beamentor/>
- **Network** – Access your Rice alumni network to further your professional development and to help others with their career paths. When you need a product or service – think of Rice alums first. Visit www.linkedin.com/alumni to get started.
- **Rice Alumni Event Greeters**- Be on the front line and greet alumni and their guests as they arrive at ARA events on and off campus.
- **Homecoming & Reunion**- Be a Homecoming event or class reunion chair. The focus for alumni volunteers is public relations: your connections help get the word to fellow alumni that Rice Homecoming & Reunion is the "place to be."
- **Rice Alumni Volunteers for Admissions (RAVA)** – Represent Rice as an alumni interviewer, at college fairs and as a resource for high school students in your community. For more information, visit <http://futureowls.rice.edu/futureowls/rava.asp>
- Support the **Annual Fund** or a university cause that is meaningful to you. Participation at all levels counts! <http://giving.rice.edu/annual/>
- **Association of Rice Alumni Board**- Represent the alumni body to the university on the 28-member alumni board which oversees the ARA's operations and program.
- **Recognize** – Consider nominating deserving alumni and friends for one of the Laureates Awards given each year. Visit <http://alumni.rice.edu/laureates> for more information.

For more information on these and other opportunities to get involved with Rice, please contact us at alumni@rice.edu.

