

One of the most powerful ways our volunteers help students is by guiding their career development, whether as mentors, résumé reviewers, mock interviewers or internship/externship hosts. Michael Maher '75 is a shining example of the impact one volunteer can have on students.



For **Michael Maher '75**, volunteering is a way to maintain a strong connection to today's students.

"I was the poster child of someone who paid no attention to what they were going to do when they graduated," says Maher. "So I want to help students think through what's next."

Maher mentors students as a Martel College community associate, a volunteer for the School of Social Sciences Gateway program, and a member of the Center for Career Development's alumni advisory board.

"I get students to identify what is worth putting forward about their experience," says Maher. "In an interview, nobody is there to speak for you, so you've got to say it

yourself and point to real things that you've done."

One of Maher's mentees, **Neethi Nayak '17** (pictured above), met with him as a freshman and continues to check in with him regularly. For Neethi, it's a major boost to have an advocate in her corner.

"Michael shows confidence in me," she says.

"In turn, I'm able to communicate that confidence to someone else. Having an adult who is invested in me makes it a lot easier for me to do the same for myself."

"The most fun I have," says Maher, "is when a student gains confidence through realizing what they're good at, what they've accomplished and how to get that across. Neethi is a great example of that."

Join us in building the new Rice network.

Beginning on Rice Day, Oct. 12, Rice alumni and parents can connect with students and each other through the new online professional development hub dedicated exclusively to the Rice community: Sallyportal. Sign up and learn more at sallyportal.org.



The Owl Edge Externship and Internship programs, launched through the Initiative for Students, give Rice alumni, parents and friends the chance to hone our students' professional edge.

193 alumni, parents and friends hosted Owl Edge Externships, one- to five-day job-shadowing opportunities for students, at workplaces across the country. Learn more at owledge.rice.edu/volunteer.

Owl Edge Externship Host Breakdown

77%
ALUMNI

14%
PARENTS

9%
FRIENDS

Owls across industries



Due to rounding, totals do not add up to 100 percent.



2015-2016

VOLUNTEER IMPACT REPORT

A message from Rice President David W. Leebron

A diverse and dedicated community

Volunteers advancing Owl careers

Joe Sample
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City, State Zip

4 WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED

1 Host an Owl Edge Externship. Host a Rice student at your workplace for a one- to five-day job-shadowing opportunity. The deadline to register to host externs over the winter break (Jan. 3–6) is Oct. 28, 2016. For more information, visit owledge.rice.edu/volunteer.

2 Sign up for Sallyportal Oct. 12. With Rice's new online professional development hub, launching Oct. 12, 2016, you can mentor students, connect with the Rice community, and find professional development volunteering opportunities.

3 Serve as a Residential College Community Associate. Interact with students and act as a bridge between campus and the outside community. For more information about the program, visit associatesprogram.rice.edu.

4 Explore volunteer opportunities and more at volunteer.rice.edu. Visit the volunteer website to read the latest volunteer news and stories or share your own volunteer success story.

Meet your Volunteer Engagement Team:

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CELEBRATING THE IMPACT OF RICE'S VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY

Dear Rice Volunteers,

Rice's community of volunteers, active every day on campus and across the world, is a truly impressive group. I am continually inspired by your dedication to Rice and your valuable contributions of time, talent, expertise and passion. Your efforts enable Rice to provide our students with a stellar community and an unparalleled education, while ensuring that the best of our unconventional wisdom reaches far beyond the bounds of our campus. Thank you to our alumni, parents, friends of Rice and community members for all that you do.

We are committed to ensuring that your volunteer experience is rewarding and impactful, wherever and however you volunteer. This report is one of several resources that will enhance your experience and bring our volunteers closer together. Volunteer.rice.edu is another such resource, where you can find volunteer opportunities, updates and stories from your fellow volunteers. I encourage you to visit the site and share your own story. In addition, the forthcoming online professional development hub, Sallyportal, will launch on October 12, enabling volunteers to expand their engagement with students and each other in new and exciting ways.

Your service to this university is invaluable, and Rice's strength is the collective impact of our volunteers. As your engagement grows, so does our potential to enhance the Rice experience for our students and each other. Thank you, again, for being a part of this diverse and remarkable group.

Sincerely,

David W. Leebron

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President



2016 DATES TO REMEMBER

October 1

Blueprint for Excellence Gala:
Celebrating 50 Years of Black
Undergraduate Life

October 12

Sallyportal launch, sallyportal.org

October 14-16

Families Weekend

October 21-22

Homecoming & Reunion



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To all of our Rice volunteers, including alumni, parents, friends of Rice and community partners: **THANK YOU!**

This inaugural report is dedicated to you, the passionate supporters of Rice who give your time, talents and energy to support the students and mission of the university. Whether you volunteer on or off campus, in Rice's home city of Houston or across the globe, in schools and programs, at events, or in your workplace, you are ambassadors of Rice.

Your hard work, experience, dedication and talent transform our students' education, strengthen our remarkable Rice network, and enrich the life of this university in more ways than we can count (and many that we can). We hope this report gives you a glimpse of the amazing community to which you belong and the impact your efforts have on the university.

We also hope you will continue to explore new opportunities. To learn more, you can always visit volunteer.rice.edu, and we welcome your feedback — comments, suggestions and questions can be directed to volunteer@rice.edu.

OUR STUDENTS HAVE A SPECIAL MESSAGE FOR YOU.

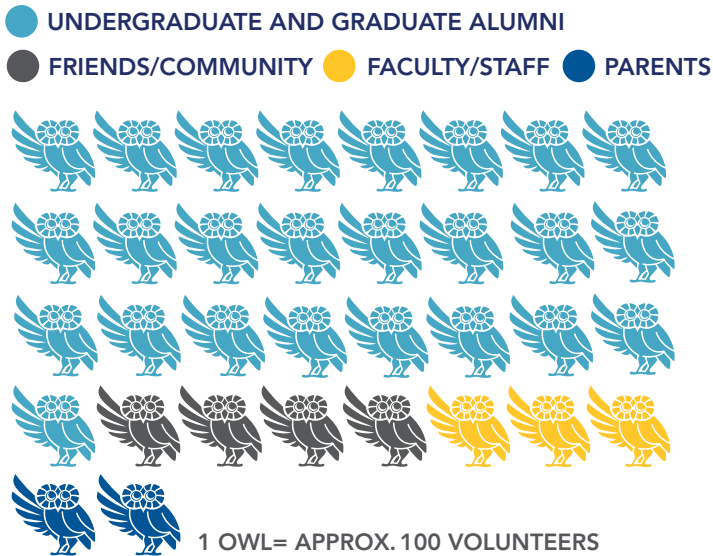
▶ See the video at: volunteer.rice.edu/thankyou



A DIVERSE AND DEDICATED COMMUNITY

3,460 VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEERS BY AFFILIATION



151 Volunteer roles spanned career development, event hosts, mentorship and more.

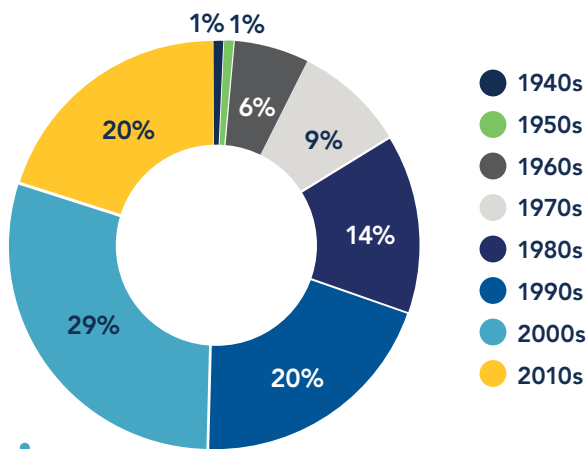
8 Schools, **46** centers & institutes benefit from volunteers supporting their academic missions and unique programs.

78 Alumni affinity & regional groups provide networking and alumni engagement across the globe.

280 Rice faculty & staff members gave their time to support Rice above and beyond their professional contributions.

13% of all Rice volunteers gave their time to professional development for students.

ALUMNI VOLUNTEERS BY DECADE



36% of volunteers were young alumni (classes of 2005-2015)



LEONARD CHAN '07
Association of Rice Alumni Austin young alumni chair, Owl Edge Externship host, RAVA volunteer

“Our years at Rice merely created the foundation of a common experience. I feel that my role is to facilitate opportunities that help this community of incredibly talented people continue growing.”



MINDY SMITH MBA '13
Jones School class ambassador, London Owls alumni group

“My time at Rice was very special. I made many lifelong friends while attending, and it strongly influenced the way I think today. I want to give back as much as Rice has given me.”



ALBERTO TOHME
Owl Edge Externship host, career mentor, Rice parent

“I tell parents that volunteering is an excellent way to give back to Rice and become engaged in your child's college education. Rice is a premier institution of higher learning, where students can benefit from your professional experience.”



PURVEZ CAPTAIN M.A., PH.D. '93
GradConnect founder and graduate student mentor, Initiative for Students Commission, Women's Athletics and Social Sciences advisory boards, Hanszen College associate

“Rice is a great institution that needs your help on initiatives that are so valuable and successful because we have a good mix of administrators, alumni and students all working together on ideas that benefit students and the Rice community.”



AKILAH MANCE '05
Co-chair of Rice's 50th Celebration of Black Undergraduate Life, ARA board of directors, ARUBA president, Owl Edge Externship host

“Volunteering at Rice puts you around so many brilliant young people, faculty, staff and fellow alumni that you can't help but feel like you can change the world.”

50 years of Black Undergraduate Life at Rice

Akilah is one of four co-chairs leading Rice's year-long celebration of 50 years of black undergraduate life alongside Donald Bowers '90, Angela Berry Roberson '90 and Monique Shankle '86.

alumni.rice.edu/50years