

RESOURCES FOR RICE GRADUATE STUDENTS

 <p style="text-align: center;">The Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies</p>	<p>The Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies governs programs beyond the undergraduate degree. In addition to managing admission, degree requirements, and finances, GPS supports professional development, GradStarter, 90-second Thesis, Night at the Museum, CIRTL, and diverse offerings to improve graduate student success.</p> <p>Website: http://graduate.rice.edu/ Contact: graduate@rice.edu</p>
	<p>Succeed! Workshops are held twice a month for Rice graduate students and postdocs. The topics range from “creating effective conference posters” to “the art of networking.” The workshops are designed to help the graduate students Succeed! in and outside of Rice.</p> <p>Website: http://graduate.rice.edu/succeed Contact: Sherry Vanderslice (sherry.d.vanderslice@rice.edu)</p>
	<p>An important aspect of the Center for Teaching Excellence’s mission is to provide resources both for graduate students who are currently TAs or instructors of record at Rice, as well as for graduate students who wish to build academic careers in which teaching will play a significant role. As a part of these efforts, they recently established an accredited certificate program in pedagogy (Certificate in Teaching and Learning). CTE also offers TA training as well as seminars, workshops, and reading groups focused on teaching and learning.</p> <p>Website: http://cte.rice.edu Contact: cte@rice.edu</p>
	<p>The Center for Written, Oral, and Visual Communication (CWOVC) provides instruction and support for all members of the Rice community to develop the skills needed to effectively share their ideas with the world. The CWOVC offers workshops, courses, and one-on-one consultations to help all students make their written, verbal and visual communications clear, well-organized and persuasive. Topics for workshops and courses range from writing effective research reports and presenting scientific journal articles to sending professional emails and improving clarity in academic conversations. The CWOVC also offers English-as-a-second-language courses for international graduate students.</p> <p>Website: http://cwovc.rice.edu Contact: cwovc@rice.edu</p>
	<p>GradStarter is a dynamic platform designed to help graduate students and postdocs develop and launch new ideas that enhance the graduate and postdoctoral intellectual community at Rice University. Rice community members are invited to submit proposals for projects that promote graduate and postdoctoral scholarship, training, and development. The proposals are featured on our website and the Rice community is invited to view the proposals, provide feedback, and indicate which proposals they are interested in and want to see developed.</p> <p>Website: http://gradstarter.rice.edu Contact: Kiri Kilpatrick (kiri.kilpatrick@rice.edu)</p>
	<p>NEW! The 3-Minute Thesis Competition (3MT®) celebrates the exciting research conducted by graduate students. Developed by The University of Queensland (UQ), 3MT cultivates students’ academic, presentation, and research communication skills. The best presentation will represent Rice University at the regional finals at the Conference of Southern Graduate Schools.</p> <p>Website: http://3mt.rice.edu/ Contact: Kiri Kilpatrick (kiri.kilpatrick@rice.edu)</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;">GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP COACHING</p>	<p>The Office of Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies coordinates the Graduate Fellowship Coaching program that provides graduate students with fellowship profiles, information sessions, workshops, writing labs, and one-on-one mentoring. Their aim is to equip students with the resources and support necessary to compose a competitive and persuasive application.</p> <p>Website: http://graduate.rice.edu/requestfellowshipcoach Contact: Kiri Kilpatrick (kiri.kilpatrick@rice.edu)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Rice Graduate Education for Minorities (RGEM)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Richard Tapia Center</p>	<p>RGEM started on September 1, 2015 to revive the Rice AGEP program for minority graduate students in STEM disciplines and extends to all underrepresented minority graduate students across the various disciplines including the Schools of Humanities and Social Sciences at Rice University. RGEM focuses on two principle components of the AGEP model: Faculty Involvement and Building the Community.</p> <p>Website: http://tapiacenter.rice.edu/programs/rgem/ Contact: Leticia Velazquez (leti2rice.edu)</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">CENTER FOR CIVIC LEADERSHIP RICE UNIVERSITY</p>	<p>The mission of the Center for Civic Leadership is to foster engaged citizenship through integrated curricular and experiential learning opportunities. These opportunities help students develop the capacity to exercise civic leadership by better understanding themselves, their responsibilities as citizens, the complexity of social issues, and the mechanisms for creating sustainable change in Houston and communities beyond. Graduate students have the opportunity to be graduate advisors for Houston Action Research Teams (HART), where they mentor and assist students with research methodology, team-building, and working in a professional context.</p> <p>Website: ccl.rice.edu HART Contact: Alan Steinberg (steinberg@rice.edu)</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION</p>	<p>All full-time students in graduate programs are members of the Graduate Student Association (GSA). The GSA mission is to enrich the graduate student experience and to represent, support, and promote graduate student interests and values. An integral and essential part of the Rice community, the GSA provides programs and services aiding in recruitment and retention of graduate students, represents graduate student interests to the University administration, and builds a strong sense of community both on and off campus.</p> <p>Website: http://gsa.rice.edu Contact: gsa@rice.edu</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">The versatile PhD</p>	<p>Versatile PhD is an online resource to help humanities, social science, and STEM graduate students and PhDs in all fields identify, prepare for, and succeed in non-academic careers. Graduate students, faculty, postdocs, and others have free access to premium resources provided through Rice University's subscription to VPhD resources.</p> <p>Website: http://graduate.rice.edu/versatilephd Contact: Kiri Kilpatrick (kiri.kilpatrick@rice.edu)</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Center for Career Development</p>	<p>The Center for Career Development (CCD) offers programs, services and resources to guide you in pursuing your career goals. They equip students with the skills and confidence needed to discover their interests and navigate their career journey from college to graduation, and throughout your life. The CCD Final Fridays are special sessions just for graduate students held around the last Friday of each month. Topics are specific to the graduate student job search as well as professional communication (CVs/Interviewing).</p> <p>Website: http://ccd.rice.edu Contact: ccd@rice.edu</p>

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	<p>The Initiative for Students is Rice's three-year volunteer engagement and fundraising effort to provide students with professional experience, leadership training and hands-on learning, while increasing scholarship support and building on our strengths in research, teaching and learning, and academic excellence. The Initiative provides opportunities for students to explore meaningful careers through externships and internships.</p> <p>Website: http://giving.rice.edu/student-initiative Contact: giving@rice.edu or alumni@rice.edu</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">DIGITAL MEDIA COMMONS</p>	<p>The Digital Media Commons (DMC) supports the creation and use of multimedia in education, scholarship, and creative expression. Working toward this end, they provide services that include hands-on training, assistance with digital projects, and access to the essential tools for creating digital resources such as digital video and audio, images and animations, PowerPoint presentations, web pages, and more.</p> <p>Website: http://library.rice.edu/dmc Contact: dmc-info@rice.edu</p>
	<p>The Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship (Rice Alliance) is Rice University's nationally-recognized initiative devoted to the support of technology commercialization, entrepreneurship education, and the launch of technology companies. It was formed as a strategic alliance of three schools: the George R. Brown School of Engineering, the Wiess School of Natural Sciences and the Jesse H. Jones Graduate School of Business in collaboration with the Vice Provost and the Office of Research.</p> <p>The Rice Alliance is a catalyst for building successful ventures through education, guidance and connections. Its mission is to support the creation of technology-based companies and the commercialization of new technologies in the Houston community and Southwest.</p> <p>Website: http://alliance.rice.edu</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">RICE WELLBEING AND COUNSELING CENTER wellbeing</p>	<p>The Student Wellbeing Office supports student development and success by providing a good first point of contact for students who want to talk to someone about solutions to their wellbeing concerns. They give advice and practical support to help students resolve personal challenges, such as conflicts with friends, difficulty making decisions, struggling with your identity, and academic concerns or problems that are more serious in nature.</p> <p>The Rice Counseling Center (RCC) offers free, confidential support to help students manage course work, deadlines, personal and professional relationships, being away from home and/or family matters. The clinical team at the RCC is a diverse team of psychologists, social workers, counselors, and a consulting psychiatrist committed to providing professional, compassionate and individualized care. The RCC team provides assessment, short-term psychotherapy, and consultation services.</p> <p>Website: http://wellbeing.rice.edu Contact: wellbeing@rice.edu For appointments, call (713) 348-3311</p>
	<p>The Fondren Library provides resources to Rice Ph.D. Students & Post Docs. The website is an interactive guide that hosts information about Books/Articles/Studies/Reports, Fellowships/Grants, Societies/Agencies, Rice Info, Responsible Research, Post Docs, Getting Published, Open Access Resources, Income Tax Info.</p> <p>Website: http://libguides.rice.edu/c.php?g=45066</p>

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	<p>The Rice Student Health Services provides preventive and outpatient clinical care for the students of Rice University. Student Health is located on-campus and is dedicated to meeting the unique needs of undergraduate and graduate students, with an emphasis on prevention. Student Health does not file or bill health insurance. Their services are available to all eligible students regardless of the type of health insurance owned.</p> <p>Website: http://health.rice.edu Contact: hlsv@rice.edu For appointments, call (713) 348-4966</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">RICE DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES</p>	<p>It is the mission of Disability Support Services (DSS) to be committed to providing access to the educational environment for students. DSS also assists faculty, staff, and visitors with accommodation requests to help ensure equal access and opportunity.</p> <p>Website: http://dss.rice.edu/ Contact: adarice@rice.edu</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">CHILD CARE RESOURCES</p> 	<p>Operated by the Center for Early Childhood Education, the Rice Children's Campus is one of Houston's premier early learning facilities serving the children of Rice University faculty, staff and students, age birth through five. Located on the west end of Rice University Campus, the Children's Campus is committed to providing the best possible educational experiences for the children in its care and offers a rich curriculum grounded in the work of Maria Montessori. The Campus serves as a hub for an array of family programs and is dedicated to supporting families through cooperation and respect and the mutual goal of doing what is best for children in care.</p> <p>Website: http://people.rice.edu/Content.aspx?id=833&libID=854 Contact: info@discovercece.org</p>
	<p>The vision of the Rice Women's Resource Center is not only a space on the Rice University campus, but also a community that fosters personal relationships and conversations. Our vision is to increase awareness of and sensitivity to gender issues in order to build a more supportive, dynamic atmosphere on campus. Through a series of educational and social events and programs, we hope to actively engage with diverse identities and facilitate critical discussion of gender issues. The center also serves as an innovative platform and safe space for expression and development of philosophies and ideologies.</p> <p>Website: http://women.rice.edu/ Contact: womenrc@rice.edu</p>
	<p>NEW FOR GRAD STUDENTS - The Doerr Institute offers a 12 week Leader Development Program with Professional Coaching. Professional coaches work with students individually to create a plan for the student to achieve developmental goals, acting in the context of existing commitments.</p> <p>The plan will include an emotional intelligence assessment, and smart goal setting for the semester. Follow up sessions will encourage, measure, and track progress. Professional leadership coaching is available to Rice students at no cost.</p> <p>Website: https://doerr.rice.edu/ Contact: leadership@rice.edu</p>
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OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS & SCHOLARS



The mission of **Rice University's Office of International Students & Scholars (OISS)** is to provide the best service and support possible for our international visitors (whose population includes degree-seeking students, visiting and exchange students, faculty, researchers, staff, and others). We seek to enhance our foreign visitors' stay in the USA, and particularly at Rice, by providing quality cultural, academic, regulatory, and social programs.

Website: <http://oiss.rice.edu/>

Contact: oiss@rice.edu

R.E.A.P. - International

REAP International (Rice Experiences Advertised to Prospects –*Internationally*), is a program designed to increase Rice University's visibility on a broad-based scale to prospective international students, overseas universities/schools, and overseas advising centers, through hearing about Rice students' experiences. Rice University international students will be serving as a type of "ambassador" for our school.

FISS - Friends of International Students & Scholars

FISS is an opportunity for an international student and a local family to meet and become friends during the year. This program is offered through a partnership with the **Institute of International Education--Southern Region Office**.



V.I.P - Valuable International Perspectives - Launched in Spring 2008, V.I.P. serves as a place to highlight international perspectives on a variety of topics. It is an opportunity to showcase cultural and traditional differences and similarities, as well as individual perspectives that our Rice international students & scholars bring to our campus and community.



International Education Week is an opportunity to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. This joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education, and exchange experiences in the United States.

English and Culture Classes

English classes are offered to you by volunteers who enjoy meeting and helping Rice internationals. Even if you feel confident in your English language skills, we encourage you to join us for a fun opportunity to make friends and find out more about American culture. These classes are available to Rice students, scholars, and their dependents.

International Ladies Network

The **Rice International Ladies Network** wishes to invite all wives and international female students and scholars to our monthly gatherings. We want to get to know you!

International Clubs

There are several **International Clubs** that have been formed at Rice: Latin American GSA, Caribbean Student Society, Chinese Students Club, French Club, Hong Kong Student Asso, Indian Students @ Rice, Rice Iranian Society, Japanese Asso of Students & Scholars, Korean International Student Association, Rice Taiwanese Association, Turkish Student Association.