

# THE FACE OF CHANGE



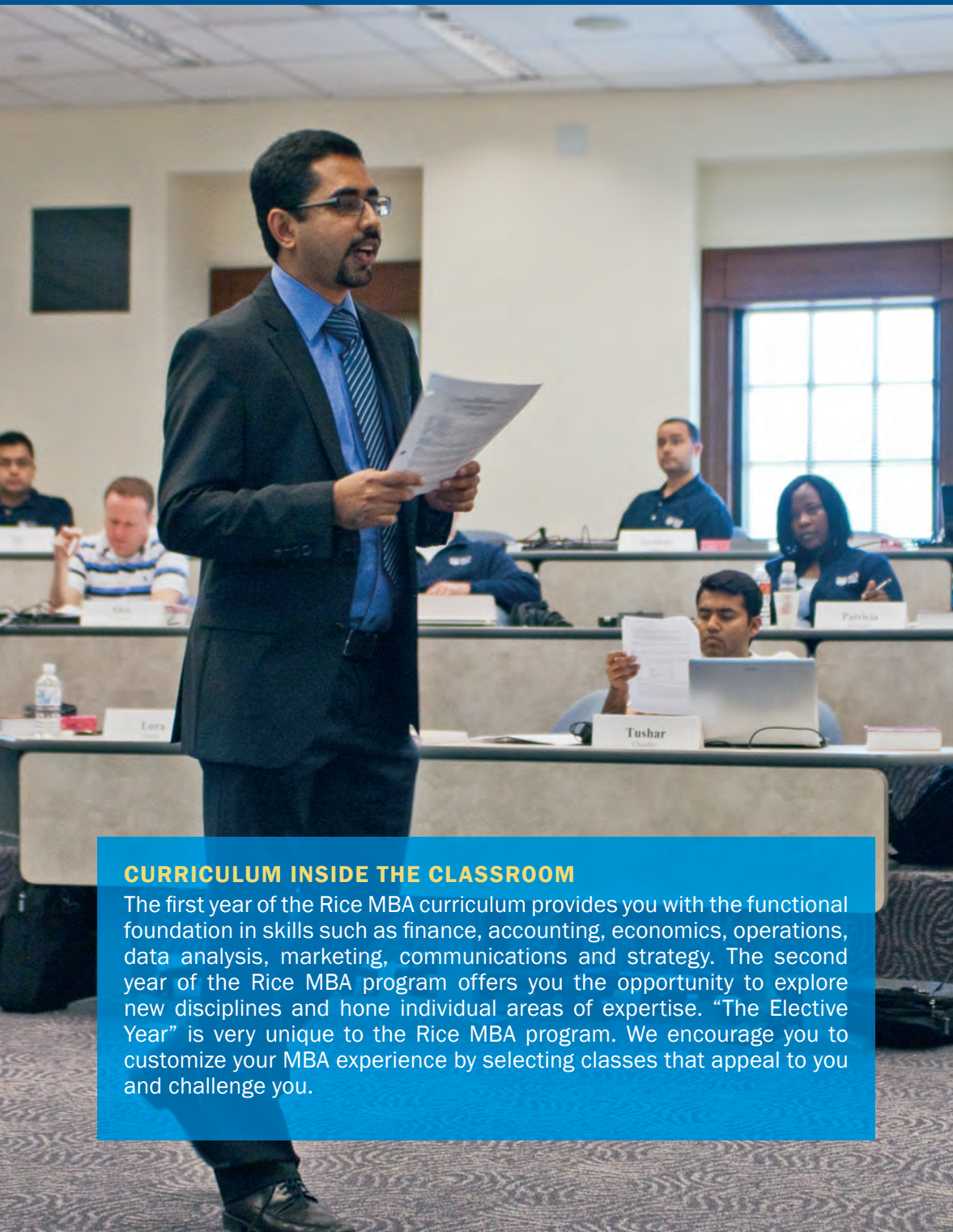
RICE

JONES GRADUATE  
SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

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# CUSTOMIZE YOUR EXPERIENCE

Taking on an MBA program is a life-changing decision. You are unique, and your MBA experience should be, too. Our programs are designed to be customized – by building on your strengths, developing new areas of expertise and helping you envision your dream.



## **CURRICULUM INSIDE THE CLASSROOM**

The first year of the Rice MBA curriculum provides you with the functional foundation in skills such as finance, accounting, economics, operations, data analysis, marketing, communications and strategy. The second year of the Rice MBA program offers you the opportunity to explore new disciplines and hone individual areas of expertise. “The Elective Year” is very unique to the Rice MBA program. We encourage you to customize your MBA experience by selecting classes that appeal to you and challenge you.

## CURRICULUM OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

While the curriculum in the classroom is at the foundation of the Rice MBA program, we also recognize the importance of smart, co-curricular programming that complements not only the in-classroom learning but also addresses the growing need for our students to gain perspective as it relates to the global economy. Course credit offerings are based around the Jones Educational Global Experience (EdGE), including intersession travel to countries such as China, India, and Central and South America and study abroad opportunities with our academic partner schools in Mexico, India, Costa Rica and Germany.



# PRACTICE YOUR LEADERSHIP

The Rice MBA experience is so much more than the curriculum. The real transformation in our students occurs when the classroom learning becomes practical. Communication, leadership and motivation are critical in the real work place. How you motivate your team and others around you is what will move your career forward. A recent Bloomberg Businessweek MBA Recruiters survey asked corporate MBA recruiters from top business schools what basic skills were considered to be assets – communications, analytical thinking and collaboration/teamwork. The skills most sought after and difficult to find in MBA candidates? Strategic thinking, problem solving and leadership.

The Rice MBA helps you develop those skills through the curriculum and also provides you a chance to practice those skills, leadership in particular, during your two years in the program.

We offer you a safe place to polish your leadership skills, showcase your talents with a group of top MBA candidates and the Houston business community and find success through feedback and practice.



### **RICE MBA STUDENT CLUBS**

Get involved and practice your leadership style by joining one or more of 30 student clubs. Being a member and holding key leadership roles in a club introduces you to varied professions and deepens your understanding of different career paths.

### **ACTION LEARNING PROJECT/CAPSTONE**

The Action Learning Project (full-time students) and Capstone (professional students) is where the classroom learning becomes practical with a corporation. A six to eight-week consulting project, teams work with faculty and company liaisons to solve a real-life business challenge and present findings to senior management.

### **RICE BOARD FELLOWS**

The Board Fellows program matches talented, energetic and committed Rice MBA students with local nonprofit organizations. The program brings valuable business skills to non-profits and allows the organizations to cultivate potential new board members, while exposing Board Fellows members to “real life” non-profit management and governance.



# FLEXIBILITY

One size does not fit all and neither should your MBA. We believe in the transformational nature of this Rice MBA program and strive to make it available to you and as accommodating to you wherever you are in your journey, offering a variety of MBA programs along with dedicated service departments (Career Management, Student Services, Alumni Relations) to ensure that your particular Rice MBA experience is all that it can be.

## FULL-TIME MBA

- + **Full-Time MBA:** For those looking to dedicate 100 percent of their time to delve into all of the program and co-curricular offerings. This is a cohort-based program with a summer internship in between the first and second years.
- + **Coordinated Degree:** For highly motivated students with specific career goals, Rice University offers three coordinated degree programs that pair the Rice MBA with advanced degrees in engineering, science and medicine. MBA/M.E., MBA/M.S. and MBA/M.D.

## MBA FOR PROFESSIONALS

- + **Evening:** For those who want a robust, campus-based MBA experience without having to give up their job and professional career acceleration. Students get the same great facilities, faculty and classes as the full-time program.
- + **Extended Evening:** For those who want the flexibility to complete their degree over a 3 to 5 year period, this is an extended version of our regular Evening program.
- + **REEP MBA for School Leaders:** Rice University Education Entrepreneurship Program (REEP) is the nation's foremost leadership development program for highly motivated educators committed to leading K-12 public schools in the Houston area as effective CEOs.
- + **Weekend:** The alternating weekend schedule is perfect for those who want to get the Rice MBA from locations outside of Houston and for those who travel extensively during the week. Students are offered the same great facilities, faculty and classes as the evening and full-time program.
- + **Weekend Residency:** For those commuting to Houston to be a part of the weekend MBA program. Students in this program are integrated with the other Weekend students and participate in the hotel residency program that includes a travel subsidy provided by the school towards hotel accommodations.

## MBA FOR EXECUTIVES

- + For those seasoned executives who have a proven track record in leadership and management. The differentiating factor is that students have a minimum of 10 years of management experience (directly managing people and one or several P&L) with an average of 18 total years of work experience post undergraduate. NOTE: EMBA's also qualify for the Weekend Residency program if commuting to Houston.



# SURROUND YOURSELF WITH THE BEST

Think about where you decide to go to school. Who will be your classmates, your professors, your friends? Where will you spend a majority of the next two years? Surrounding yourself with the best demands your best performance. This investment will transform your life.

## FACULTY

Rice MBA courses are taught by a dedicated, nationally recognized team of Rice University professors\* who create an engaging, challenging learning environment. These faculty members maintain an important balance between teaching and research, integrating insights from their own rigorous, peer-reviewed research and helping students understand these topics in the context of today's ever-changing business landscape. Members of our faculty implicitly nurture skills and traits that are critical to success for tomorrow's leaders.

In every course, students have an unparalleled opportunity to work one-on-one with an accessible, involved and energetic member of the faculty, who believes that academic research and current industry knowledge are as critical as textbooks to a student's education.

*\*In the Bloomberg Businessweek rankings of business schools nationwide, released in fall 2014, the JGSB ranked No. 12 in terms of intellectual capital, based on faculty research published in esteemed journals.*

1st

Aims Achieved  
EMBA (U.S.)  
Financial Times 2014

1st

Percentage Salary Increase  
EMBA (U.S.)  
Financial Times 2014

5th

Overall  
EMBA (U.S.)  
Financial Times 2014

Top 10

Graduate Program  
in Entrepreneurship  
2009-2014  
Princeton Review  
Entrepreneurship  
Magazine

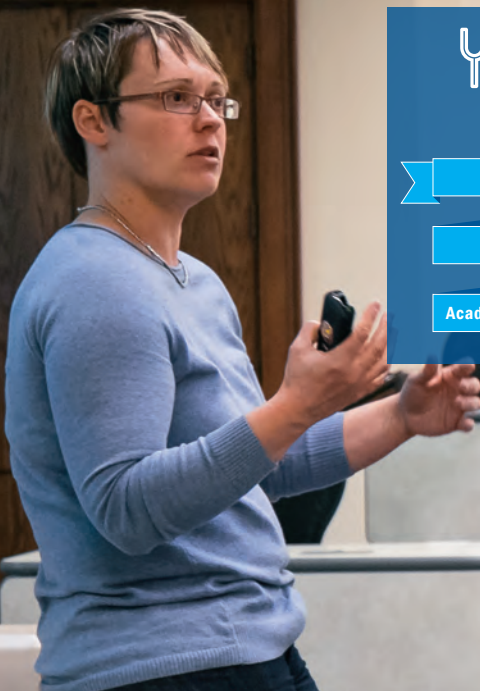
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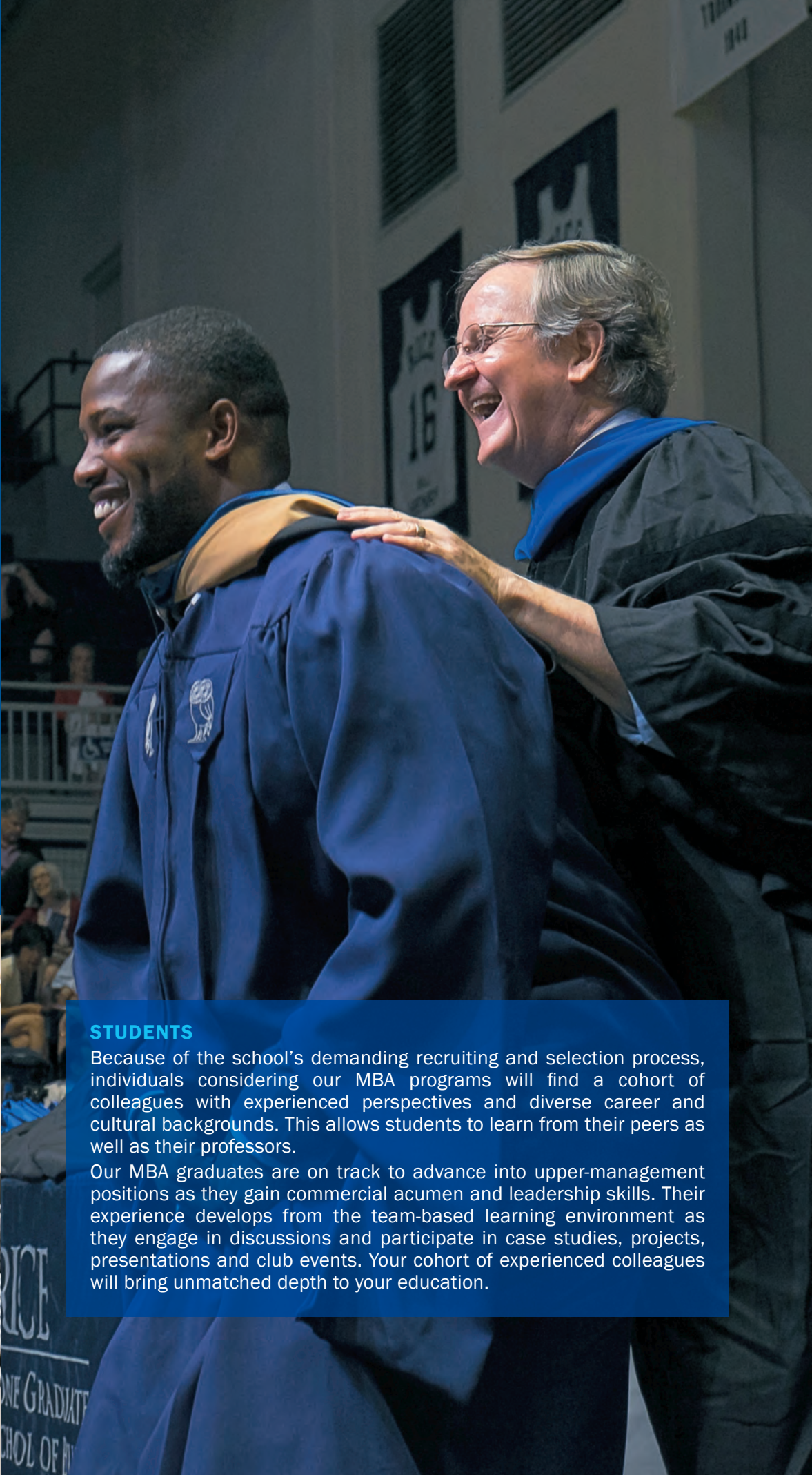
Head of Rice University Entrepreneurship Initiative

Managing Director - Seed Accelerator Rankings Project

Academic Director - Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship







## STUDENTS

Because of the school's demanding recruiting and selection process, individuals considering our MBA programs will find a cohort of colleagues with experienced perspectives and diverse career and cultural backgrounds. This allows students to learn from their peers as well as their professors.

Our MBA graduates are on track to advance into upper-management positions as they gain commercial acumen and leadership skills. Their experience develops from the team-based learning environment as they engage in discussions and participate in case studies, projects, presentations and club events. Your cohort of experienced colleagues will bring unmatched depth to your education.

# HOUSTON

As a vibrant, dynamic, diverse city full of opportunity, Houston is an essential part of your education and presents a competitive advantage as not only the fourth largest city in the U.S. but also one of the fastest growing metropolitan economies. Widely known as the energy capital of the world, the city also boasts the largest medical center in the world, and Forbes rates Houston among the 10 Best Cities for Young Entrepreneurs (2014), benefitting your MBA experience and future career.

## NUMBER 2

LABOR MARKET IN THE U.S.  
HOUSTON – THE WOODLANDS  
SUGAR LAND, TEXAS

*Labor Market 150 Index, 2015*

NUMBER 3  
IN THE COUNTRY  
FOR GREEN JOBS  
*SimplyHired.com, 2012*

## TOP U.S.

REAL ESTATE  
MARKETS TO WATCH

*PwC US and Urban Land Institute, 2013*

## NUMBER 1

BEST CITIES FOR  
MANUFACTURING

*Forbes, 2012*

## NUMBER 1 OUT OF 10

CITIES POISED FOR GREATNESS

*Fortune, 2012*

AMERICA'S  
COOLEST CITY  
*Forbes, 2012*

3rd  
Fortune 500  
Co. Headquarters

4th  
Largest City in U.S.

7th  
New York Times  
Places to Go in 2013

TOP DESTINATION  
CITY FOR FIFTH  
STRAIGHT YEAR  
*U-Haul International, 2014*

AMONG THE  
10 BEST CITIES  
FOR YOUNG  
ENTREPRENEURS  
*Forbes, 2014*

NUMBER 2  
MOST GENEROUS  
U.S. CITIES  
*The Huffington Post, 2013*

ONE OF THE 10  
GREENEST CITIES  
IN THE U.S.

NUMBER 4  
AMERICA'S  
FASTEST-  
GROWING CITIES  
*Forbes, 2014*

BEST CITY  
IN AMERICA  
*Business Insider, 2013*

CITIES CREATING  
THE MOST  
TECHNOLOGY JOBS  
*Forbes, 2013*

TOP GLOBAL UNIVERSITY  
BUSINESS INCUBATOR, RICE UNIVERSITY  
*University Business Incubator, 2013*

# THE RICE CAMPUS

Located on a 300-acre tree-lined campus in Houston, Texas, and consistently ranked among top universities in the U.S., Rice University is a hotbed of research, creativity, innovation and scholarship. As an integral part of the Rice community, students at the Jones School have the opportunity to learn from world-class faculty, from each other and from alumni around the globe while gaining the intellectual and personal growth needed to transform their future.



# McNAIR HALL

The Jones Graduate School of Business is housed in its own building, McNair Hall. Along with classrooms, a finance center, library and break out rooms, McNair Hall is home to offices of the faculty, staff, students services, career management, admissions and alumni at the Jones School. McNair Hall is also home to the Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship which hosts the world's largest business plan competition each year, and most recently, the Doerr Institute for New Leaders, whose mission is to maximize leadership capabilities for all Rice University students.



# CLASS OF 2017 PROFILE

## **FT MBA**

Average Work Experience: 5.2 years

Average Age: 28

Average GMAT: 676

International Citizenship: 23%

U.S. Military Veterans: 13%

Women: 35%

Undergraduate Institutions: 76

## **MBAP**

Average Work Experience: 5.8 years

Average Age: 29

Average Salary: \$93,000

With Advanced Degrees: 23%

U.S. Military Veterans: 7%

Women: 23%

Companies Represented: 128

## **EMBA**

Average Work Experience: 18.52 years

Average Salary: \$221,000

International Citizenship: 20%

With Advanced Degrees: 39%

U.S. Military Veterans: 20%

Women: 14%

Companies Represented: 52



# READY TO FACE THE CHANGE?

At the Jones School there is no blueprint for admission. There is only a diverse group of students who have demonstrated academic excellence, leadership ability, interpersonal skills and the motivation to work hard. Grounded in strong ethics and a global perspective, the Rice MBA is about to transform your world, your career, your future.

Get started at: [business.rice.edu/change](https://business.rice.edu/change)



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