

# MBA Admission Online Chat Session

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ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): Hello. We will get started in a few minutes.

rdsharma: Hello everyone. Hope we have a great chat session.

ricemoderator(Andrew Hsu - MBAP-e): Indeed.

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): Hello rdsharma, I hope so too.

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): Welcome to the Chat

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): Hello everyone and thank you for joining us.

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): Welcome to the Rice MBA Admissions chat session. We have 2 current full time students, a current MBA for Professionals student and several admissions staff available to answer any questions you may have.

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): Feel free to ask any questions you may have.

EMartinez del Riodf63df: What is the procedure to apply for a scholarship?

lhay17: What is the typical day for Full Time Students?

AllenWang8299: Are there many investment banks recruiting at Jones annually?

rdsharma: What kind of opportunities are available for someone who wants to get in to investment banking?

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): EMartinez del Riodf63df: There is no separate application for scholarship consideration. We offer merit based scholarships here at the Jones School. Once you apply to the program, your application in its entirety is given consideration.

BEImquist06ef77: Sorry - having some technical difficulties on my end. How has placement been going for students pursuing marketing/consumer products positions from the most recent graduating class?

EMartinez del Riodf63df: Ok, thank you.

ricemoderator(Andrew Hsu - MBAP-e): @AllenWang there are many investment banks soliciting resumes for interviews currently on Symplicity (the university's career website)

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): BEImquist06ef77: For the class of 2010, 18% went to the Energy industry, 27% to financial services, 11% to govt/non-profit/other, 19% to consulting services. Smaller percentages went to consumer products, pharma/healthcare, real estate, and technology.

SWu0e7ab4: How much weight does the Energy concentration put into green/renewable energy vs. traditional oil and gas energy sector?

BEImquist06ef77: Do Jones professors primarily utilize a lecture based or case study teaching method?

rdsharma: I guess my question regarding investment banking is that, when we talk about investment banks, is the job (for the most part) located in Texas or North East?

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ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): I would say it is hectic, sometimes we start at 8:30 and usually have 2-3 classes on an average but during the time between classes we have team discussions for our assigned cases and projects. Even at home we are studying and reading the material provided for the next class. There have been days when I have reached home at 11:00 PM but there have been a few where I reached early and had spent some time with my family (however these would be handful :))

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @lhay17

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): Great question lhay17! From my perspective, no day is typical, but definitely busy and exciting. In your first year you will have a structured curriculum with classes in the morning and afternoon. You have breaks in between some classes and many students use this time to work on group assignments. After class, groups can continue to meet for assignments and then usually you have time to work and study alone as you need to (this is all determined by your group). If you get involved in clubs and other organizations, then you will have meetings and tasks for that as well. In addition, as a full time student you will likely be working to secure an internship which involves resume and cover letter updates, meeting with the CMC, and applying for jobs.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): SWu0e7ab4:Here is the link to the energy concentration and all the courses included within it. Please copy and paste the link in a new window.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): [http://business.rice.edu/Energy\\_Curriculum.aspx](http://business.rice.edu/Energy_Curriculum.aspx)

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @BEImquist06ef77 The lecturers are usually case based, and most of the courses do have case studies on a regular basis, we usually work in teams for these assignments, However there are few courses when we have only lecturers like Data Analysis etc, but in Data Analysis one of our final deliverable was a presentation for a case. Most of our exams are also case based.

rdsharma: What kind of weightage is given to GPA when considering admissions?

lhay17: Thanks Patra. What are some courses/professors/clubs/events that shouldn't be missed?

BEImquist06ef77: Thanks, Shweta. Are you assigned to one case "team" for the duration of the year, or do these groups change?

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): In addition to looking at the energy classes offered. You may want to take a look at the Rice Alliance website. The Rice Alliance hosts an Annual Energy & Clean Technology Venture Forum.  
<http://www.alliance.rice.edu/alliance/Default.asp>

SWu0e7ab4: Thanks Bran. It seems like a lot of breadth!

SWu0e7ab4: Thanks Lolita for the link.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): rdsharma: Every aspect of your application is given equal consideration. No one portion of your application outweighs the other. Your entire transcript is reviewed, not just your cumulative GPA.

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @rdsharma - We have companies who come to campus for investment banking, and it is true that North east has a major concentration of investment banking jobs, but we had companies that were texas based and also that were based of north east

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ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @rdsharma sorry companies

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): @lHay17, it definitely depends on what you are interested in. We have a broad range of clubs to choose from depending on your interests. Same with the classes you decide to take 2nd year. Do you currently have an interest in a particular field of study?

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): that will help me to better answer your question

rdsharma: Thanks Bran and Shweta.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): rdsharma: No problem..

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @BEImquist06ef77 During our first semester we are assigned one team of 4-5 students for all classes and that team works together for all cases, however for our elective courses we can form our own teams and work.

lHay17: Yes. Finance and Entrepreneurship.

rdsharma: @Bran, my GPA is well below average you take, do you think that will be a major issue with my application? My GMAT score is ok though.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): Guys please feel free to continue to ask questions....

rdsharma: I did...

AllenWang8299: The R1 deadline is Nov.8 and the decision date is Dec.17. I want to ask when will the interview be held.(If invited)

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): I would say that if you are interested in Finance, you should definitely take advantage of the Finance Club. They have very focused events and meetings to prepare you for internships and job placements. They even travel to New York for 'Week on Wallstreet' to meet representatives from various Investment Banking companies. As for Finance classes, there are a plethora of classes to choose from. In your core curriculum you get exposure to Finance and Accounting and in your second year there are many electives to choose from such as Financial Statement Analysis, Futures and Options, and Investments. For Entrepreneurship, same thing...there is a great club doing many things where you can get involved in some entrepreneurial activity.

TAtsukocfb82e: @Petra, I am interested in sustainable energy. I would like to know about Energy Club.

SWu0e7ab4: rdsharma just asked the exact same question I had. I have a pretty good (above intake average) GMAT but GPA well below the intake average

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): rdsharma: While I am unable to assess your GPA, you should know that it is only one part of your application. you should focus on making every other aspect of your application as competitive as possible.

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @rdsharma The admissions committee takes into consideration the quality of your academic institution as well as the average grade point from that region or school in particular. In addition, many things in the application can help to compensate for one portion that maybe below average. We do not filter out applications based on our averages from previous years. We review all applications and have no minimum GPA or GMAT requirements

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ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): Hi Allen, As soon as your completed application is received we will begin scheduling interviews. A Completed application includes all test scores, recommendations and official transcripts.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): rdsharma and Swu: You guys can also take advantage of the optional essay that we have available to you and address your low GPA.

AllenWang8299: @Lolita: thank you.

SWu0e7ab4: Another admissions question - some of our referees are not fluent in English. Can we have them write the reference form in native language (i.e. Mandarin) and have the form translated by a professional translation service firm?

rdsharma: Thanks.

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): There are also great classes in Entrepreneurship such as New Enterprise, Creative Entrepreneurship, and Business Plan Development. We have excellent faculty in each of these areas. Also, there are several events that you should take advantage of throughout the year where speakers come in, and various conferences relating to these areas. Of course there is the Rice Business Plan competition which is the largest in the nation.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): SW-You will need to have your transcript translated into English

BEImquist06ef77: What types of global opportunities exist at Jones? Are there study abroad programs for different concentrations?

lhay17: @ Patra, Thanks.

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @SW It is perfectly acceptable to have a translation service translate your letter of rec to English.

rdsharma: Is it possible to do some research while doing MBA full time? If so then what kinds of opportunities exist for doing the same?

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): You may use a professional translation service to translate your recommendations as well.

SWu0e7ab4: Thanks Ben and Bran.

maribel.lm: Hi everybody! I have a question... I finished my bachelor in International Studies in Mexico, can I apply too? What's the process to homologate volunteering, scores and essays?

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): We do not offer any research or teaching assistant opportunities during your first year fo the program. during your second year there are some opportunities.

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @rdsharma, if by research, you mean working as a research assistant for faculty, then there are those opportunities in the second year of the program. It is highly discouraged/not an option to work in the first year because of the program rigor. In the second year we see students working as TAs or RAs and even working as Admissions Counselors in our office, like Patra and Shweta do.

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ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): Hi TAtsukocfb82e! We definitely have an energy club and they have great information and connections in the field of sustainable energy. Please visit our website listing student clubs and select the Energy club to email the current President. (copy and paste this link) [http://www.business.rice.edu/Clubs\\_Orgs.aspx](http://www.business.rice.edu/Clubs_Orgs.aspx)

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): Welcome newcomers to the chat!

SKangf3af1a: Hello

rdsharma: I am not talking about research assistant. I have couple of ideas (business ideas and research ideas) which I want to research. Was wondering if it will be possible for me to do any such research

KLong2bfa93: Greetings All

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): maribel.lm: If you are an international applicant, your undergraduate degree must be the equivalent of a U.S. four-year degree. If you have completed a three-year Bachelor of Commerce degree, we also require a Master of Commerce degree. The Jones School does not have staff in house that can evaluate your transcripts and determine its degree equivalency. Please contact a credential evaluating service such as World Education Services or Global Credential Evaluators.

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): we have admissions staff and current students here to answer your questions.

TAtsukocfb82e: Thank you, Petra.

SKangf3af1a: Nice to meet you here!

SKangf3af1a: I have a question about work experience

SKangf3af1a: Now I am a college senior and I have a work experience in military

lhay17: As the business world is always changing, how often does the program add new classes?

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): @ TAtsukocfb82e, we also have a club called Net Impact doing great things towards sustainable energy. One of our classmates interned at EDF (Environmental Defense Fund) for a consulting project in sustainable and renewable energy. There are several students interested in this type of work so you should have no problem making contacts and learning all about it!

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @Maribel, You can apply as Bran stated, and you can use the Essays and the interview to speak to your volunteering activities.

SKangf3af1a: But it was during

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @BEImquist06ef77 we have many trips all through the year where students go during fall/spring / winter break and meet different companies and study the business out there, last year we had trips to Mexico, India, China, Canada. we have a class called Technology Commercialization in developing countries and students go to Rwanda and work with people out there and develop a technology and help commercialize it based on local resources. Previous year students who have attended this trip had a great experience.

maribel.lm: Well coming from Mexico, we don't really volunteer, so I was wondering where should I volunteer? I just haven't had the opportunity.

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TAtsukocfb82e: Thank you very much, Petra. It is very interesting!

BEImquist06ef77: That sounds fascinating, thanks!

KLong2bfa93: My apologies if it's already been addressed, but I was wondering how to start the process officially.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): maribel.lm: Volunteering is not an Admission Requirement.

maribel.lm: Ohh, ok, sorry, I got confused. Thanks!

TAtsukocfb82e: Thank you, Patra.(Sorry I missed your name)

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @SKang For the application question asking how many years of Post-Graduate work experience you have, you will need to limit it to the work experience after you have graduated. However, in the admissions process we will look at military experience as part of your professional experiences and it will benefit your candidacy. You can talk about your experience in the military in your essays or interviews because we value this experience for the teamwork and leadership skills you hopefully acquired during that time. However, it will only count toward the Post-Graduate work experience metric on the application if it was after your graduated. This is a common US metric that is compared across programs as a benchmark for rankings and program comparison and therefore is

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): KLong, the application is available on our website. You should complete the online application and submit all required supplemental materials. If you have not already done so, schedule and take the GMAT and the TOEFL (if required).

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): continued...therefore is why we ask it this way.

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): Newcomers, welcome to the chat!

rdsharma: Do I have to apply for a waiver for Toefl? Even though I am an international student, I did my undergrad in US.

SKangf3af1a: Sorry I had some internet connection problem, so I logged in again. Thank you so much, Ben.

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): @lhay17, given that we are a smaller school, the program can be flexible to meet the demands of student requests more so than changing business trends. We have dedicated faculty of various areas of research so obviously this does not change robustly on a yearly basis; but given the strong interest in a particular study, the program can be adjusted to meet current needs. More importantly, the faculty keeps abreast of current trends in business and incorporate this into their curriculum annually as needed. Our curriculum is broad enough to where the classes currently offered are well suited for addressing these trends.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): rdsharma: If you have graduated from a US Institution, you are exempt from taking the TOEFL test.

AllenWang8299: I want to know the difference between the "Rice University Business Plan Competition" and "the elevator pitch competition".

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @SK, were you able to see my answer to your question even though you lagged out?

lhay17: @ Patra, Thanks.

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ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): If you have questions, please ask. If your question has not been answered in a timely fashion, we may have missed it and our apologies if this is the case, but please ask again.

SKangf3af1a: yes, I logged in right before you type answers, thanks.

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): no worries TAtsukocfb82e!

lhay17: Are the MBA Full time students able to successfully network with the MBA-E and MBA-P?

lhay17: corrections---able

maribel.lm: For international students, is there a minimum score for the TOELF test?

kaushik4455: how many students in the class have 2yrs or less then 2yrs experience?

smachira: How many years of experience is required to be admitted into a full time MBA program? Does part-time student on-campus employment be considered as work experience as well?

AllenWang8299: Jones School accepts about 110~120 students per year. One class or divided into two classes?

BEImquist06ef77: At what point during the first year do students typically begin interviewing for summer internships? Are most of these done on campus?

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): maribel.lm: Yes, you will have to meet the minimum requirement of 100ibt

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): The elevator pitch is a sub competition within Rice Business plan competition, One of the participants from the team gives the pitch and the winner team is awarded a prize, however during the plan the entire team participates and gives a presentation for 30 mins or so.

Roger: Hello Rice friends, this is Rogelio from Guadalajara, Mexico

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): The Class of 2012 has 13 people with 2 years or less work experience, however, 6 of those students belong to our MBA/MD program and our currently also in medical school.

AllenWang8299: @Shweta.... thank you

maribel.lm: Are internships considered work experience? I just graduated last year and only had a couple of internships but I'm planning on getting more work experience to apply.

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): Hello Rogelio.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): All admitted students have a broad range of experience that may also encompass significant participation in student organizations community activities and entrepreneurship. Although we do not have a minimum work experience requirement, we look for students who have at least 2 to 4 years of post-graduate professional work experience. With work experience, our Admissions Committee is interested less in the quantity of work you have performed than in what you may have learned from the sum of your experiences and how they prepared you for the challenges of participating in the Rice MBA program. Less than 2% of our students are admitted with little or no work experience, and they have excelled in all other application areas as well as held significant internships.

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ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @MAribel, Internships are not officially considered Professional work experience, however they do add to your candidacy in the application process.

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): @ smachira

maribel.lm: Thanks Ben!

kaushik4455: thanks Ben.....how was the job scenario for international students in the class of 2010?

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): @lhay, There is definitely opportunity to network with the MBA-E and MBA-P. We all utilize the same campus and services, and while we are here at different times, there is certainly overlap which allows you to come in contact with them. Also, the school is great about providing contact information for all of your classmates in each program so that you can EASILY reach out. So it's up to you to do so, but the culture is that we are all classmates here going through the same thing...so there are NO barriers to the students in other programs. I have quite a few friends in the Executive MBA program just by staying on campus to study and meeting them in the hallway. Also, you get to meet more of these classmates in your second year when you can take classes in the

kaushik4455: i think shweta can answer that question

smachira: Thank you Bran

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @Kaushik 3 months after graduation, the overall employment rate was 84% and the international student percentage is being delivered to me momentarily, but I believe it was closer to 76%

lhay17: @ Patra, Thanks. During a visit, I was able to participate in a class and a Partio. I definitely got the feeling of NO Barriers.

rdsharma: I think the idea of International trip looks very exciting. When does it happen and for how long?

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @kaushik The job market was a challenge this year for internationals and many of our first years international students did not get internships here in US and some went to their native countries as well

ncfield: hello all -- nick from NYC and looking to apply for this upcoming fall for energy finance. i was wondering if there are exchange/international opportunities for a semester? had trouble finding them on the site

Roger: question to the students: what is your concentration and how did you choose it? Personally, I am interested in Marketing.

kaushik4455: how do you compare an applicant with two yrs experience along with a masters degree with that of an applicant who has 4yrs experience after bachelors(assuming all the aspects other than those mentioned above are similar)

soumyasudhindra: hi all, soumya here. i am currently unemployed haven't been working for 2 yrs now as i decided to be a stay at home mom but prior to that i have worked for 3 years so how does this effect while i am applying?

SKangf3af1a: One more question / I wanted to ask this question in MBA tour in Seoul, but I forgot at that time. My question is,,, I studied abroad in US for half year and in the Netherlands for another half year during my junior year of university in Korea. I would like to know how I should show my transcript in US and NL. I am asking about this because official transcript of my university records my grades from US and NL as P/F, not as A to D.

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ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): I'm glad you got a chance to visit. Yes...we are all family here and if you take advantage of getting to know your classmates, you will definitely feel that way.

maribel.lm: I'm in Houston at the moment and would like to participate in A Day In The Life, is it possible even though I'm thinking of applying in the future?

maribel.lm: Not in the "near" future though...

smachira: I have 2.4 yrs of post graduate work experience as software developer with a 2 yrs part-time work experience as a web developer - while pursuing Masters in computer science in USA. I believe I'm TOEFL exempt. But since my experience is not management related would it help with my application?

lhay17: What makes a essay standout to you?

KLong2bfa93: I'm with Maribel.. I would love to participate A Day in the Life as well...

SWu0e7ab4: A question for the students - How early do you plan (or started) the job search both for first year intern and for post-graduation work? What has the CMC done that really helped/impressed you?

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @Kaushik we don't compare applicants directly to each other because everyone is different and has different experiences. However, a master's degree, depending on where it was earned, how well you performed, and how it fits into your career goals is a benefit to your candidacy.

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): @ncfield, there are a couple of opportunities to do an exchange program. There is one at INCAE in Costa Rica, and I believe there is another one in Mexico as we currently have students from a school there. There are some opportunities. In general, students don't always take these because there are so many things going on during the year locally...but the opportunity is there if you want it.

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): Maribel, you may register for A Day in the Life this year, but if may be a better idea to wait until they year you will apply as it will be more representative of the program at that time.

kaushik4455: thanks Ben

ncfield: thanks patra :D

maribel.lm: Thanks Lolita!

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @SKang, if you took more than 9 hours from those other universities, we would need to see the official transcript from each university with the grade earned.

ncfield: is there an admitted students day or weekend in the spring for admitted students? Assuming yes but just was curious as to the structure and whatnot

SKangf3af1a: Thanks Ben

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @Nfield we also have many international trip opportunities in the winter break and over spring break

rdsharma: Do you have specialized courses on Bloomberg or Reuters terminals?? Is it part of any course?

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ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @SWu0e7ab4 CMC has done a wonderful job, they try to bring as many companies as possible and also host career rodeo on campus, they also provide all contacts that can assist you in your field of interest. Most of the students start looking out the starting of the year, however there is a season for kind of jobs, like Finance/ investment banking and consulting come more in Sep/Oct and marketing related later.

ncfield: and in terms of fin aid packages are assistantships available?

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): we have gone to China, India, South America, Dubai, and Mexico. These trips last 9-10 days and act as an elective credit. Professional visits to government agencies and corporate head quarters are involved in the trips.

maribel.lm: That sounds interesting!

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): ncfield: we do not offer assistance-ships to incoming students your first year.

maribel.lm: Someone asked about essays before but couldn't see the response and I was curious as well: what makes an essay stand out?

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): smachira, If you completed a Masters degree in the US you so not need to complete the TOEFL. As you have satisfied the language ability requirement by obtaining a US degree there would be no benefit to submitting the TOEFL.

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @rdsharma yes we do. We have a wright fund center that has terminals with Bloomberg and factset.

kaushik4455: what are the things the admissions committee takes into account wen deciding for the scholarships at rice?

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): @Roger, I have not yet declared a concentration, but I am leaning towards an Entrepreneurship concentration. I am choosing this one because I have a heavy interest in Entrepreneurship and want to pursue it aggressively in the long term. However, I do plan to work immediately after graduation and I am leaning towards Strategic Human Resources programs. Basically, you can choose to do whatever you want to here. You get exposed to so many different things that it is sometimes hard to choose what you want to do...but that is a good thing. As for Marketing, I was very interested in that my first year and went all out (leadership in the marketing club and interviewing for marketing positions), but I just determined that I might be more suited for other areas.

SKangf3af1a: Here in Seoul, it's 2am. Goodbye to all and thanks to admission boards for great help. Bye!

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): We will begin wrapping up in about 10 minutes.

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @soumya We will look at your previous work experience during the application to get a sense of your professional track record and employability.

smachira: what is the avg. GMAT score of your students admitted in the recent batch?

soumyasudhindra: thanks ben

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): AVG GMAT was 672 with 80% range 620-740

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ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): bye SK

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): kaushik4455: Every aspect of your application is taken into consideration when deciding upon scholarship awarding

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @NCfield, scholarship is available in the fulltime program. Last year 80% of incoming class received a merit based scholarship at AVG = 50% off tuition

Roger: Thank you Patra! I also like Entrepreneurship...good luck!!

lhay17: What makes a essay standout to you?

ncfield: excellent :) thanks

maribel.lm: That sounds great!

soumyasudhindra: i am currently on I2 visa, would it better to change to student visa ?

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): If you would like to meet with an admissions counselor or visit a class please email us at ricemba@rice.edu.

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): Hi lhay. An essay that tells a story is definitely key. You can certainly tell the difference between an essay that has not been well thought out and has no personal story as the basis. And of course, proper grammar and structure is important in conveying that story. At the end of the day, your essay should be personal yet answer the question succinctly.

rdsharma: @ Shweta, Is there any place where they can teach us on how to operate the terminals?

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): Thanks Roger!

lhay17: Thanks

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @rdsharma, we have staff that work in the El Paso finance center and can teach you how to use the resources.

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @rdsharma There are regular classes in the lab that help students learning the software

ncfield: is there any preference in the split of the GMAT scores? IE do you prefer the two to be correlated to each other percentagewise as opposed to large disparities?

kaushik4455: what are the opportunities the students in entrepreneurship concentration at rice get after graduation?(at least before they start up something)

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): @NC by split do you mean the Verbal vs the Quant?

ncfield: yes

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): We've got about 5 more minutes. Please feel free to email us at ricemba@rice.edu with any other questions you may have. The first application deadline is November 8, 2010.

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ncfield: as in an 80 percentile on both vs say a 90 percentile verbal and 60th on quant

ncfield: and for finance programs do you guys look more strongly at the quant score than verbal

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @soumyasudhindra I believe staying in L2 would be good as you are eligible to work during internship, F1 is preferred for people transferring from H4 as they are not authorized to work during internship

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): we look at them separately to determine different things. Verbal can help us determine how well you may do in situations where communications is important, while quant will show us your potential to do well in the quant courses.

ricemoderator(MBA Student Shweta): @soumyasudhindra Also staying in L2 increases your chances for a job as you do not need additional sponsoring

ncfield: very cool good to know :) thanks

ricemoderator(MBA Student Patra Brannon): @Kaushik, students going into multiple areas post graduation...it completely depends on what they are interested in entrepreneurially and functionally. Some go into consulting and others go into industry. Some start up businesses right after school while working, while a few go all out and do a startup immediately. We have quite a few students who already have startups and go back to those businesses afterwards.

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): We'll go ahead and wrap it up. Thank y'all for attending. I hope we've answered some fo your questions.

rdsharma: For current Students - How would you rate your experience at Rice?

ricemoderator(Admissions Bran): Thank you all for your participation

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): Please feel free to email us anytime if we can be of assistance.

maribel.lm: Thank you very much for the information and your time!

rdsharma: Never mind. Thanks guys..

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): If you have additional questions that weren't answered during the chat, please Email [ricemba@rice.edu](mailto:ricemba@rice.edu)

ncfield: thx all :)

KLong2bfa93: Thank you..I watched a lot to learn more. This was very helpful. Thank you.

SWu0e7ab4: Thank you for the informative session!

rdsharma: Appreciate the time and effort put in

Roger: thank you all! Adios!

rdsharma: for the informative session

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BEImquist06ef77: Thanks everybody. It was very informative.

lhay17: Thank you.

kaushik4455: thanks a lot....every question has been answered....i appreciate your help....

ricemoderator(Admissions\_Ben): Thank you for joining us!

soumyasudhindra: thanks a lot everyone

maribel.lm: Have a great week! Bye bye!

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): A Transcript of this session will be available on our website shortly.

smachira: Thank you

ricemoderator(Admissions Lolita): Good Bye!'

soumyasudhindra: planning for campus visit soon...hope to see most of the current students and staff there