

# Rice Alumni Pride Award Application

## Background Information

### *What is it?*

An annual award (usually \$1,000) endowed by Rice Alumni Pride (formerly known as Rice Gay & Lesbian Alumni), Rice University's GLBT alumni association. In most years, a single award is made. In years when the applicant pool is particularly strong, two or more awards may be made.

### *What's the purpose of the Award?*

The Rice Alumni Pride Award is designed to encourage and reward leadership in and service to the GLBT community, both on campus and beyond the hedges.

### *When are applications due?*

The deadline for application submission is **Friday, October 16, 2015 at 5:00 PM**. Applications should be submitted to Philippa Angelides, Student Affairs Department Coordinator, at [pangel@rice.edu](mailto:pangel@rice.edu).

### *Who is eligible to apply?*

Any current Rice student, whether undergraduate or graduate, may apply for the Award.

### *How are applications evaluated?*

Each year, Rice Alumni Pride convenes a committee to select the individual who will receive the Award. The committee is comprised of a broad array of individuals who are connected to Rice. In the past, alumni, administrators, and current students have served on the committee.

The committee evaluates applications on the basis of outstanding service to the GLBT community. The committee gives special consideration to service to Rice's GLBT community. Students may demonstrate their commitment to the GLBT community, both at Rice and beyond, in many different ways, such as serving in leadership positions in GLBT-related organizations, conducting scholarly research, and having other merit worthy personal involvement in issues of concern to the GLBT community.

Applicants should take care in completing their application materials. The committee does not interview applicants, and it therefore bases its decision solely on the application materials submitted. Thorough and thoughtful submissions that provide context and detail are appreciated.

The Award is granted without regard to race, gender, ethnicity, age, national origin, disability, or sexual orientation.

## Award Application

*In order to apply for the Rice Alumni Pride Award, please prepare a document providing the information below and answering the following questions. You are encouraged to attach to your application a resume or academic CV. Your application must be submitted to Philippa Angelides, Student Affairs Department Coordinator, at [pangel@rice.edu](mailto:pangel@rice.edu), by Friday, October 16, 2015 at 5:00 PM.*

*Please note that the recipient of the Award will receive the Award during the annual Rice Alumni Pride Homecoming reception on the evening of Friday, November 13, 2015. The Award recipient will be asked to make every effort to attend the reception. If you know that you cannot attend, please say so in your application.*

**Name:**

**E-mail:**

**Classification (Undergraduate/Graduate) and Year of Graduation:**

**Residential College or Department:**

1. Briefly introduce yourself to the Award Selection Committee. *(Most applicants successfully respond to this prompt in about 250 words.)*
2. Please describe your service to the GLBT community, both at Rice and beyond (as applicable). *(Most applicants successfully respond to this prompt in about 600-1200 words.)*
3. Please describe any plans you have for future service to the GLBT community or involvement with issues of importance to the GLBT community. *(Most applicants successfully respond to this prompt in 600 words or less.)*
4. Please explain why you believe that you should be selected to receive the Rice Alumni Pride Award. *(Most applicants successfully respond to this prompt in 600 words or less.)*
5. Please describe any special considerations relating to your application that the Award Selection Committee should know about. *(Not all applicants respond to this prompt, but those that do successfully respond in about 250 words.)*