

# Rice Indo-American Business Club

## Letter of Intent

*“What one does is what counts. Not what one had the intention of doing.”*

With this quote of Picasso, I want to reach out to all members of RIABC and the class of 2018 that what follows is not merely a summary of my ideas, but, a set of actionable and achievable goals that will set the tone for another successful year for RIABC.

RIABC is a young and ambitious student club that not only extends a platform for the international community to connect with the larger Indo-American professionals network in Houston and beyond, but also creates memorable moments for all our classmates, friends and their families to experience the diverse traditions and cultures of South Asia, as a whole.

As the elected President of RIABC, my main goal is to create an all-inclusive student community that is representative of a larger society. Having worked as a first-year officer for RIABC, I could personally gauge the potential and short-comings of the club, and my aim is to address these short-comings in the near-term and formulate a robust structure for the long-term success of the club. On that note, below is my short action list:

- To prepare a 2017-18 event calendar, hosting at-least one event each term that is in-line with the interests of the students.
- Improve the existing mentorship program to a buddy system to match incoming students to second years based on common career interests and prior experiences and help them cope up with the local environment.
- Create an immersive experience for all students at Rice to experience major festivities like Holi, Eid, and Diwali.
- Increase collaboration of RIABC with the other student clubs to jointly organize symposiums and panel discussions on trending topics related to global business practices and industry outlook.
- Identify opportunities for students to network with professional in industries outside of traditional go-to industries such as oil & gas, energy, and consulting.

The success of the club lies in the hands of each club officer and member - I want to be a facilitator to drive this success by creating a collaborative team culture where everyone can freely raise their ideas and concerns and be heard.

On a lighter note, there will be beer served with Samosas at our events.