

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

From the Dean's Desk

Welcome to the ninth communique "From the Dean's Desk", the final communique of 2018. This is the platform utilized to share new initiatives, ideas and news of note with you on a bi-weekly basis. **Resources** is the focus of this communique.

To provide a world-class education for the future leaders of the hospitality industry, Rosen College needs resources - human, financial and equipment resources, working in tandem with the goal of producing talented, skilled graduates.

Our in-house human resources, faculty and staff, all work with the goal in mind that we are here to serve our student population. Our faculty bring their industry experience, their research capabilities and their passion for teaching on our campus and help our students hone their passions for the industry. Our staff work to advise, to inform and to support the college as a whole, in our mission to develop future generations of global hospitality and tourism leaders representing all industry segments in the hospitality capital of the world. Industry partners, who guest lecture, provide networking, internships, jobs and feedback, are also a valuable resource.



Financial resources fund the educations of our students and make cutting-edge tools a reality. Each year, Rosen College, with the support of industry partners, presents more than \$300 thousand in scholarships to our students to assist them in completing their college degrees. The scholarships help provide opportunities to support general course work and living expenses. They also help to fund internships and study abroad programs, which broaden horizons and open doors for our students to work around the globe.

Hands on resources at the college, like the Anheuser-Busch Beer and Wine Lab, the Kitchen Labs, the Disney Dining Room, the Hospitality Technology Lab, and the Universal Orlando Foundation Library, provide opportunities for students to learn about many facets of the hospitality and tourism industry. More importantly, thanks to our industry partners' generous support, our new campus expansion will break ground in early Spring 2019 which will provide additional cutting-edge teaching and learning facilities for our faculty and students. Research projects that help problem-solve for industry partners or bring insight into issues, are other resources supported by the college and its stakeholders.

We will continue to make efforts to bring more resources to the college through entrepreneurial activities, consulting, executive training programs and funded resources to ensure that we continue to offer first class education to our students. We appreciate all the resources that come together to make Rosen College what it is -- the time, talent and treasures of our people, our partners and our community.

We wish everyone the happiest of holiday seasons and a Happy New Year! Charge On!

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