Highlights from Saunders College of Business Alumni

**Why RIT and Saunders College of Business?**
I was granted a scholarship to come pursue my Masters degree in the U.S., and RIT, among the other universities, stood out the most in terms of recognition and job placement upon graduation. Also, I felt that the MS Management program from Saunders compiled all the courses I thought were relevant to prepare myself for I wanted to do professionally, which upon graduation was to obtain a job as a manager.

**In what ways did Saunders prepare you for your job?**
When I started my job hunt, I made sure to have a resume and cover letter tailored to each company that I applied to in order to make my skills and qualities stand out and match better those job postings. I am thankful that every interview I went to, I was offered the job. This was all thanks to my education. I think people perceive yourself different once you tell them you have a Masters degree and more importantly know that you are qualified to do the job. Every single class I took in Saunders, from Entrepreneurship to Negotiations and Technology Management, have been tremendously useful and I found myself applying the knowledge on a daily basis.

**What is the distinctive advantage you gained from your RIT experience?**
In today’s business world, learning how to communicate with people from different culture and backgrounds is key. Also, being able to work with a real and well-known company for my Capstone project helped me in developing further my leadership skills.

**Would you recommend RIT to others?**
The professors and staff members are really there to watch you succeed and that to me was the most valuable experience. I would recommend RIT not only because it’s a great and well-known university but also because it truly prepares you to become an outstanding professional with the qualities necessary to achieve success both personally and professionally.

“Since the first day of classes, to the last one, the most distinctive advantage I gained from my experience with Saunders was being around such a diverse group of people from all around the globe.”

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- Strong industry connections, offering real world experiences in and outside of the classroom
- Among the world’s oldest and largest cooperative educational programs
- 94% placement rates

**DAY ONE | enterprising mindset**
- Pioneering Biz 1-2 program
- #1 student innovation center. Venture Creations Incubator, and over 200 clubs to join
- Ranked #21 nationally for entrepreneurship

**DAY ONE | stand out**
- Over 80 minors available at all 9 RIT colleges
- Nationally recognized STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) programs
- Students develop unique personal brands that employers seek

**DAY ONE | connected**
- Small class sizes, 100% taught by faculty
- Low student to faculty ratios, and highly accessible faculty
- Plugged into over 118,000 RIT alumni and large university resources