Welcome RU MBA class of 2010!
The RU MBA program officially welcomed 24 of our 39 new MBA students (25 MBA and 14 PMBA students) at the Orientation session on Aug. 25 in Muse Hall. Dr. Joe Scartelli, RU’s Interim Provost and VP for Academic Affairs, COBE’s Dean Faye Gilbert and Dr. Dennis Grady, dean of the College of Graduate and Professional Studies, were among the campus leaders who met the incoming RU MBA class and the graduate faculty for lunch. Director Eli Jamison then led a session that challenged the new MBA class to get to know one another and begin the networking that is key to the program’s active learning process.

RU MBA Premiers New Website
The new RU MBA website, designed by Dr. Bob Taylor, premiered in August and includes sections for prospective students, current students and the RU MBA community. Diana Rorner, MBA ’10, benchmarked the nation’s best B-school websites to identify what various stakeholders find at these websites as well as the aesthetic preferences available. Please check it out and provide us feedback. Our site will be tailored to the needs of the RU MBA community, just as your RU MBA is tailored to your needs.

RU MBA Announces 2010 Graduation Class
Congratulations to the RU MBA classes of spring and summer 2010! The spring RU MBA class was Havi Alenu, Madalyn Arena, Alexander Balleh, Mark Bruce, Kari Callanan, Heath Charter, Shannon Crowe, Patrick Daugherty, Amanda Feuhrer, Brittany Gerald, Leah Goodman, Dale Grugurich, Kelli Jordast, Melis Kaplan, Kendra Kelly, Kelly Martin, Sharron McClory, Tony Mullins, Amanda Murphy, Diana Rorner and Laura Villada. The Summer RU MBA Class was Joseph Dennisson, Christopher Madden, Stephanie Sarver and Regina Weddle.

Students Tailor Their MBA Through Applied Experiences
A central component of the RU MBA program is the student’s ability to tailor, or customize, his or her program with an applied project or internship in a way that is uniquely their own. In the summer of 2010, several RU MBA students, including July’s Graduate Student of the Month Bobby Baker, invested their summers in projects that enhanced their MBA experiences with relevant experiences and developing relationships with our esteemed graduate faculty. For example, Baker spent the summer working with Dr. Beheshti and the Lewis-Gale Medical Center on a project called “LEAN on identifying the BEST way to tailor your degree to your professional interests.

Tailor your RU MBA to your professional interests. Contact the RU MBA office for more information on identifying the BEST way to tailor your degree to your future.

News From Your MBASA
Fall 2010 RU MBA Events and Activities
Thu., Sept. 16, 5 p.m. Preston Auditorium
“The Art of Interviewing” - Greg Justice, speaker
Fri., Sept. 17 – 11:00 a.m. Whitt Lawn
Experience Business Casually Image Building Event
Thu., Sept. 23 – 3:30 p.m. Walker 2Z1
Internship Readiness Seminar from the Office of Academic Engagement and Career Development.
For more information: 831-5771
Mon., Sept. 27-Tue. Sept. 28 – 5-8 p.m.
RU Recruiting Season Begins, featuring Steve Peyton, CIA Recruiter In Residence. For more information: 831-5771
Wed., Nov. 3 – 10 a.m. Bonnie Auditorium
Global Capitalism Speaker Series, sponsored by B B & T. Mr. John Allison, distinguished professor of practice at Wake Forest University School of Business and retired chairman and CEO of BB & T. For more upcoming RU MBA events, visit the new RU MBA website.

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