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## **Rice University Expands Partnership with 2U, Inc. to Deliver Business-Focused Online Short Courses**

### **First short course, Project Management, will launch this fall**

HOUSTON and LANHAM, Md., May 10, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- 2U, Inc. (NASDAQ: TWOU), a global leader in education technology, is expanding its partnership with Rice University to deliver master's-level online short courses in business and management. The first short course to be offered by Rice and 2U will be Project Management, which will launch this fall.

2U currently partners with Rice University's Jones Graduate School of Business to power MBA@Rice, an online MBA program.

"Rice University is meeting the needs of ambitious professionals by offering dynamic business- and management-focused online short courses," said Vice President for Global and Digital Strategy Caroline Levander. "We are delighted to expand our partnership with 2U, a global leader in the ed-tech space, and look forward to partnering with them to offer working adults the opportunity to learn from Rice's world-class faculty."

"Last year, 2U partnered with Rice University to power MBA@Rice, and we're thrilled to expand our relationship by launching a new suite of online short courses. The University's forward-thinking leadership will ensure that the best of Rice's faculty and education are more accessible to working professionals and the next generation of aspiring leaders throughout their careers," said 2U Grad President Andrew Hermalyn.

The short courses will be developed by Rice faculty in conjunction with course design experts at 2U. Students in the course will receive personalized, high-touch support; a certificate will be awarded upon completion of the course.

For more information on the 2U partnership with Rice University's Jones Graduate School of Business for MBA@Rice, visit: <https://twou.co/RiceMBA>.

#### **About Rice University**

Located on a 300-acre forested campus in Houston, Rice University is consistently ranked among the nation's top 20 universities by U.S. News & World Report. Rice has highly respected schools of Architecture, Business, Continuing Studies, Engineering, Humanities, Music, Natural Sciences and Social Sciences and is home to the Baker Institute for Public Policy. With 3,970 undergraduates and 2,934 graduate students, Rice's undergraduate student-to-faculty ratio is just under 6-to-1. Its residential college system builds close-knit communities and lifelong friendships, just one reason why Rice is ranked No. 1 for quality of life and for lots of race/class interaction and No. 2 for happiest students by the Princeton Review. Rice is also rated as a best value among private universities by Kiplinger's Personal Finance. To read "What they're saying about Rice," go to <http://tinyurl.com/RiceUniversityoverview>.

#### **About 2U, Inc. (NASDAQ: TWOU)**

2U partners with great colleges and universities to build what we believe is the world's best digital education. Our platform provides a comprehensive fusion of technology, services, and data architecture to transform high-quality and rigorous campus-based universities into the best digital versions of themselves. 2U's No Back Row® approach allows qualified students and working professionals around the world to experience a first-rate university education and successful outcomes. To learn more, visit [2U.com](http://2U.com).

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