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Roniqua Wright

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Student Leader of the year
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About

Ms. Roniqua Wright is a fourth year International student from Nassau Bahamas. She just acquired an Associates' degree in Applied Science for Computer Networking and service technologies.



Roniqua hopes to be a google intern soon. Roniqua is a traveler and hopes to end in Scotland under a study abroad program.

She also takes great pride in being a professional sleeper.

She has been dedicated and committed into making RHA one of the best organizations on campus, as well as accommodate the needs of the residents, and we celebrate her accomplishments with what she's done as an individual and with RHA.

RHA Involvement

Ms. Wright is the current RHA President and is responsible for organizing a great team and the creator of tons of events on campus.



The RHA's first basketball home game Tailgate which was a huge success and the highlight event of the fall semester. RHA was able to connect the Dalton State College with its community and Roniqua is the genius behind that huge accomplishment that we'll be seen as a tradition for not just RHA but the Dalton State College in years to come.

She's planned and executed various events such as #AllLivesMatter which is a program focusing on diversity. As well as Fireside Chat with the residents and Girls night just to mention a few. She also has plans in the Spring Semester to revive old events that residents requested for.



Leadership

Prior to Ms. Wright's current position as RHA president, she had already engaged in different leadership positions on campus which include Orientation Leader and head peer mentor for First year experience (FYES) program.



Roniqua along with fellow roadrunners celebrating our Roadrunner basketball team for becoming NAIA basketball National Champions 2015.



Roniqua tends to have too much sometimes, which benefits her fellow residents and students into having a good time. For this reason, it wasn't a surprise to anyone when news spread that she had assumed the role of the President of the Dalton State RHA.



Roniqua with family and friends as she graduated with her Associates' degree.



Roniqua with her orientation team



Roniqua's recognition as a leader got her nominated to homecoming court 2015.



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Dear GRHO Executives,

I am proud to endorse the nomination of Roniqua Wright for GRHO's Student Leader of the Year Award. As detailed below, I believe that the selection committee will be hard pressed to find another candidate whose innovative contributions to RHA, as well as impact in the college community, rival that of Roniqua.

Roniqua has proudly served as the president of the Residence Hall Association at Dalton State College since fall 2015. For the past two years, RHA was inactive, and in its early history never affiliated with the state and national organizations while building a sustainable organization to benefit residential students. It is amazing that in five short months, Roniqua has managed to create a passionate organization that has accomplished so much with so little. The average attendance at RHA meetings ranges from 2-10, and the yearly budget is only \$3,000. With that, Roniqua and her executive board have been able to pull off some amazing programs – Fireside Chat, Basketball Tailgate, Sharing is Caring Toy Drive, #AllLivesMatter Social Justice Discussion – and she has plans for many more this spring semester.

It is rare to find a student with passion and vision for what a student organization could be and how it could benefit students. This type of leader is exactly what RHA needed this year as we prepare to move into the college's first residence hall in its history. She has done a wonderful job at finding what was missing in our residential experience and bringing those opportunities and programs to students through RHA. She has done an excellent job in building the foundation for RHA here at Dalton State College that will continue to serve future residents for many years to come.

Roniqua is one of the best examples of a student leader on this campus, In addition to serving on the executive board of RHA, she is an Orientation Leader, Dalton State International club's Secretary, and a member of the African Student Association. She has accomplished all of this while holding on campus jobs and pursuing a degree in technology management.

Her nomination for GRHO's Student Leader of the Year award is only a testament to her dedication to RHA and the Dalton State College community. I know of no one more deserving for this esteemed award. I would be happy to answer any further questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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