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Michael Rogers Selected as a Triton College Alumni Wall of Fame Inductee



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RIVER GROVE – The Triton College Alumni Association has selected former architect and Triton College adjunct instructor Michael Rogers as one of six Alumni Wall of Fame inductees. This honor is bestowed on individuals who have made a significant impact in their profession, community and beyond.

Rogers practiced architecture and construction at McDonald's Corporation for more than 32 years. In 1997, he received the company's desired President's Award, given to the top 1% of employees worldwide. Rogers also became president of the National Organization of Minority Architects and president of the American Institute of Architects in Illinois. He was the first African American to serve in that role.

Today, Rogers is Triton's adjunct instructor of construction technology. He believes that "giving back to the community" is important.

"Education is valuable" and "a Triton College education is very valuable," said Rogers. "It's important to grow and have a continuous mindset. If you're not growing, you're staying stagnant. It's important to have a sharp mind."

In working with students, Rogers said he "loves seeing people learn" and curiosity piqued. "When I see the light bulb go off in a student's head, that means I made a difference."

Rogers encourages prospective students to "think about what you'd like to accomplish and remove any barriers that is stopping you from reaching that goal. You won't regret making that leap and pushing yourself a little bit further," he said. "Take one class at a time and achieve your goals."

Here's a short video featuring Michael Rogers: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7LrQHJhOcqs

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