Allan Gray Fellows Welcome and Comments

Rhodes University

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Being chosen as an Allan Gray fellows and in the context of you being <u>university</u> students engaged in <u>higher education</u> means that you implicitly embrace <u>five commitments</u>:

1. A commitment to learning and the search for knowledge

This...

2. A commitment to the making and production of knowledge

Universities...

Context of the legacy of racialised and gendered knowledge production

3. A commitment to community engagement

Limit to what can be learnt in lectures and in classrooms

4. A commitment to the common social and public good

Exercising leadership wherever you find yourselves

5. A commitment to ensuring that your knowledge, expertise and skills have public benefits rather than only private benefits

Higher education paid for through public subsidy by taxpayers

Notes

Draw from various papers on

- Valuing higher education
- Community engagement
- Graduation speeches