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Host of Discovery's Dirty Jobs to Speak at the University of Florida

GAINESVILLE, Fla. – Mike Rowe, creator, executive producer and host of the Discovery Channel's hit television series *Dirty Jobs with Mike Rowe*, will be speaking on Tuesday January 20th, in the Phillips Center for the Performing Arts at the University of Florida. This event is free and open to the public, and doors will open at 7:15 p.m. The event will begin at 8 p.m. Seating is limited and is on a first come first serve basis.

Mike Rowe has had more jobs than you. In fact, Rowe has had more jobs than anyone.

Rowe has spent years traveling the country, working as an apprentice on over 200 jobs that most people would go out of their way to avoid. From coal miners to roustabouts, maggot farmers to sheep castrators, Rowe has worked in just about every industry and filmed in most every state, celebrating those hard-working Americans who make civilized life possible for the rest of us.

On Labor Day of 2008, Rowe launched a website call mikeroweWORKS.com, where skilled labor and hard work are celebrated in the hope of calling attention to the steady decline in the trades and bolster enrollments in trade schools and technical colleges. Rowe is the voice for *The Deadliest Catch*, hosted *Shark Week* and *Egypt Week Live*, worked as a professional musician, appeared on *The QVC Home Shopping Network*, as well as many other television shows.

ACCENT Speakers Bureau, the largest student-run speakers bureau in the nation, has been bringing prominent speakers to the University of Florida since 1967. ACCENT strives to bring controversial and influential speakers to the university, with the intent of further educating the student body. ACCENT speeches are not paid with tax or state dollars. ACCENT's funding comes from activity fees, which students pay specifically to fund out-of-the-classroom experiences. Past ACCENT speakers include presidents, prime ministers, and entertainment, media, business and sports legends.

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