Dear Students,

RIT Global is excited to offer a unique opportunity for qualified students to study at the RIT campus in the U.S. during the spring and summer academic terms. The information below provides you with the details of the program and the answers to any questions you may have.

Interested students must submit an application form, recommendation form, 1-2 page statement of intended goals, copy of passport, and financial documents as listed on the application. The deadline to turn in these documents is October 12, 2014. Immediately following the application deadline, a panel of faculty, administration, and staff from both RIT and your home campus will review all materials and notify selected students of their interview date. Notification of final selection will be given to students no later than November 2, 2014. Details concerning the program arrival and campus move-in dates will be provided to students after the program selection is finalized.

How are students selected for the program?

Students must meet the following criteria to be considered for the Study Abroad program to RIT:

- 2nd, 3rd or 4th year status (i.e.—sophomores, juniors and seniors); note: Priority will be given to juniors and seniors;
- Must have completed at least three academic quarters/2 semesters as a full-time student at their home campus
- A GPA of at least a 3.0
- Must submit all required paperwork as described at the top of the application form.

Am I qualified for this program?

The following are cost estimates and may vary based on student housing placement and student preferences:

### Costs paid by student to RIT

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<td>Global Village Housing (Double Occupancy Suites)*</td>
<td>$3,391</td>
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<td>RIT Meal Plan**</td>
<td>$915</td>
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<td>RIT Student Health and Activities Fee</td>
<td>$246</td>
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<td>University Sickness and Accident Plan (insurance)***</td>
<td>$725</td>
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<td>Program Fee (includes orientation, bed linens and group activities while in Rochester)</td>
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<td>Visa Application Fee + Issuance Fee (where applicable. Visa estimated costs varies by Country)</td>
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<td>Vaccinations (dependent on student vaccination history/records)</td>
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<td>Course textbooks (estimate)</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous spending (estimate)</td>
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Are all of the program costs listed above required?

All costs listed in the description above are required for every student selected for this program. The textbook and miscellaneous costs are dependent on RIT course requirements and personal spending decisions made by the student.

How do I pay for the program?

Students will continue to pay normal tuition to their home university as well as all additional expenses directly related to their time at RIT (i.e. housing, meal plan etc). The fees for vaccinations will need to be paid directly to the RIT Student Health office when the student arrives. The student will be responsible for the purchase of their course textbooks from either the RIT Bookstore or from an alternate vendor. Students are also responsible for the purchase of their own airline ticket.

How does the meal plan work?

All students residing in RIT dormitory housing are required to enroll in a resident meal plan. Those living in Global Village will either have a kitchen in their suite or have access to a kitchen to cook some meals. Therefore, those students can choose a more flexible meal option as you may not need to eat at the RIT facilities as often. The RIT program coordinator will assist you in choosing a meal plan that is best suited for your needs. The full cost of the meal plan you choose is deposited into a debit account connected with the student’s RIT ID card. The debit account allows students to make purchases at any on campus Dining Service area, plus the Corner Store, Sol’s Underground, The Grind Beanz, Ben and Jerry’s, Artesano Bakery and Cafe, RIT Inn and Conference Center, or Bytes on the Run. You will receive 8% savings on most on-campus purchases. Use your debit account at Gracie’s and receive a 15% discount. Campus wide food and beverage vending machines also accept this account.

Can I work while I’m on campus?

Students are encouraged to focus on their RIT course load and engage in campus activities. There may be limited positions available for students to apply for after arrival on the RIT campus. Students should work with the program coordinator during the program orientation at RIT to discuss opportunities.

Will I have health insurance?

The Student Heath Center provides a wide variety of health care services including comprehensive primary care, injection services and health education. The staff includes physicians, nurse practitioners and trained nurses. The Student Health Center staff will refer you to a local specialist if you need one. In addition to the Health Service fee, all international students are required to have comprehensive health insurance to pay for hospitalizations and other medical services not available on campus. To ensure this, RIT will automatically enroll all students in the program in RIT’s Basic Student Sickness & Accident Plan.

What are the vaccinations I will need?

The immunizations and costs through the RIT Student Health Center include:

- Meningococcal vaccine: 1 dose of Tetravalent (A.C.Y. W-135) vaccine required: $135
- Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccine: 2 doses at least 30 days apart: $70 each shot
- Hepatitis B vaccine: series of 3 shots over 6 months: $80 each shot
For more information regarding the required health forms to be filled out by every student go to http://www.rit.edu/studentaffairs/studenthealth/ and click on forms on the left side menu. All students, undergraduate and graduate, must complete a health history form and are required by New York State to provide evidence of immunization against certain diseases. If the student does not have a medical record of these vaccines, students will be required to be immunized before starting classes. For more information on RIT’s immunization policy, please go to: http://www.rit.edu/studentaffairs/studenthealth/ and click on Immunizations on the left side menu.

What do I need to do to apply for the student visa?

Upon receipt of your application, copy of your passport’s bio page, and financial documentation, RIT will begin processing the I-20 Certificate of Eligibility. All students will be applying for an F-1 Student Visa. After receiving your I-20, you should contact the Embassy or Consulate of the United States at which you expect to apply for an F-1 Student Visa, and ask what will be required in the application process. This varies from station to station. You will likely be required to schedule an in-person interview for visa approval. You should be prepared for the visa interview with the following documents:

• Original and complete I-20 form
• An original letter of acceptance for the Study Abroad to RIT program (provided by the RIT program coordinator)
• Original bank statement showing the amount that you or your sponsor is expected to contribute to your expenses at RIT, as shown on your I-20 ($6,117 USD)
• Letter of support from your sponsor, indicating the amount of funding to be given for your support
• Letter of guarantee from the bank or other agency, if a loan is part of your support.

What courses will I take and how will I register for classes?

After final selections for the Study Abroad to RIT program have been made, each student will be contacted by their academic advisor at their home campus as well as an advisor at RIT. The student and the advisors will work together to choose courses that fit the student’s degree requirements and have open enrollment at RIT during the 2015 spring quarter. These courses may not be the same as outlined in the student’s plan of study. In these cases, appropriate course substitutions will be identified. Your RIT academic advisor will register you for classes and provide you with your schedule.

Where will I live?

The RIT program staff will assist you in completing your housing application and work with the RIT Housing Operations office to place all students in either RIT Global Village Suites or the RIT Residence Halls (dorms). Placement is dependent on availability. Preference in Global Village will be given to upper class students. A description of both housing options is included below.

Global Village is RIT’s newest residential and commercial complex, providing upper class students a state-of-the-art global living experience and community. In addition to suite-style housing with lounges, community kitchens, meeting spaces and laundry rooms, the complex also features a number of services just a few feet away. These services include the HUB Post Office, Advantage Credit Union, Global Village Cantina and Grille, The Market at Global Village, Shear Global Hair Salon, and Shop One2 Art Gallery and Fine Art Boutique. Also featured within the Global Village complex is a volleyball court and a mixed-use plaza offering year-round activities including heated outdoor seating, small stage area for concerts and student programming, and fire pit. Students will be sharing a double-occupancy room. Follow this link for pictures of RIT’s Global Village Suites and more information about the accommodations and furniture: http://finweb.rit.edu/housing/globalvillage/suitewithoutkitchen.html.
RIT residence halls are characterized by the diversity of students living there—where engineering students live side-by-side with art students; a student from India is experiencing his first winter, living with a skier from Maine; or a hearing student and her deaf floor mate are experiencing each other’s cultures. Students will be sharing a double-occupancy room with another RIT student. Furniture in the dorms includes the following for each student: a single size bed and mattress, dresser, chair desk, file cabinet/drawers. For a virtual tour of an RIT dorm room, click here: http://www.rit.edu/fa/housing/content/your-room-express-yourself#double-room

**When should I arrive and how long will I stay at RIT?**

Students coming to RIT for the spring semester of 2014-2015 should plan to arrive on January 23, 2014. Students arriving earlier than the designated move-in date will be charged an early arrival fee. RIT classes for the spring semester begin on Monday, January 26 and continue through May 23. You should plan to depart campus on May 24. For a complete calendar which includes holidays and breaks, please visit: http://www.rit.edu/calendar/1415.html. Students studying abroad at RIT during the spring semester will stay through the end of the semester and be allowed to attend, or if the student is graduating—participate, in the RIT Commencement Weekend scheduled for May 23. Students not staying for the summer term will need to move out of their housing after the RIT commencement ceremony and will need to return to their home country in accordance with their visa within 30 days after the last day of the term. Summer housing may be different than the spring semester housing, students may be required to move. Summer arrival dates and departure dates will be determined upon the student’s acceptance and course registration.

**What airport do I fly into?**

Be sure to schedule your flights so that you arrive in Rochester, NY (ROC - Greater Rochester International Airport) between 6am and 9pm EST (Eastern Standard Time). We cannot arrange for pick-up from any other airport or outside of these times.

**Who will pick me up at the airport?**

Students will be picked up at the airport by either the RIT program coordinator or an RIT Peer Advisor (PAL) student. Please share your flight information with the RIT program coordinator as soon as possible and she will confirm who will be picking the student up before their departure.

**Who should I contact with questions?**

If you have any questions about the Study Abroad at RIT program, please contact your academic advisor in your home campus.