

### The RIT Charter

The Institute's charter is issued by the State of New York. It consists of the original "ACT to incorporate the Rochester Athenaeum" passed February 12, 1830, along with all amendments since the original document. A brief overview of those amendments below.

All questions regarding the Charter should be directed to the Secretary of the Institute.

- May 22, 1891: constituted the "The Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics' Institute"
- May 12, 1892: established a quorum of the board of directors as "nine members thereof, or such other number, not less than seven, as may be prescribed by the by-laws of the corporation."
- July 21, 1944: changing the "name of the corporation to Rochester Institute of Technology and by changing the designation of its governing board from board of directors to board of trustees."
- May 18 19, 1950: "authorizing the institute to confer the degree of associate in applied science (AAS)"
- June 26, 1953: "authorizing the institute to conduct courses leading to the bachelor of science
  (B.S.) such provisional amendment valid for a term of three years to be made absolute and the
  institute authorized to confer upon its graduates the degree of bachelor of science (B.S.) subject to
  the restrictions and requirements of the University."
- May 25, 1956: made two modifications/additions
  - Removed the provisional nature of the amendment to create bachelor of science (B.S.) degrees
  - "authorizing the corporation to confer the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.)"
- December 19, 1958:
  - o expanded degree offerings as such: "the degrees of associate in applied science (A.A.S), bachelor of science (B.S.), bachelor of fine arts (B.F.A.), master of fine arts (M.F.A.), in course, and the honorary degrees of doctor of commercial science (D.C.S.), doctor of fine arts (D.F.A.), doctor of laws (LL.D.), and doctor of science (Sc.D.).
  - Also established location: "The principal office of the corporation is to be located in the city of Rochester, County of Monroe and State of New York."
- April 26, 1963: "authorizing the institute to confer the degree of master of science (M.S.)
- June 28, 1963: regarding location of the corporation, deleting the words "city of Rochester" and inserting "county of Monroe"
- January 29, 1969: "authorizing the institution to confer the degrees of master of business administration (M.B.A.), master of science for teachers (M.S.T.), associate of arts (A.A.), and associate in science (A.S.)"
- January 27, 1971: "authorizing the institution to confer the additional degree of bachelor of technology (B.Tech.)"
- October 29, 1971: "increasing the number of trustees which the corporation shall hereafter be authorized to have from 35 to 43."
- November 16, 1973: "authorizing the institution to confer the additional degree of master of engineering (M.E.)"
- October 19, 1979:
  - expanded degree offerings by "authorizing the institution to confer the additional degree of bachelor of arts (B.A.)"
  - Also expanded location: "authorizing the corporation to maintain a branch campus in the county of Seneca, New York."
- April 26, 1985:
  - o deleting the last authorizations: "amended by deleting the authority of the corporation to maintain a campus in Seneca County and to offer the bachelor of arts (B.A.) degree"
  - o and approving: "and to authorize the corporation to operate and maintain a licensed day care center"

- December 15, 1989: "to authorize the corporation to grant the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree."
- September 20, 1996: "to increase the maximum authorized number of trustees from forty-three to sixty."
- April 21, 1998: "decrease the proportion of trustees required to constitute a quorum from one-half to one-third."
- February 8, 2011: expands degree offerings, now "including the degree of Master of Architecture (M.Arch.)."



### ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AMENDMENT OF CHARTER

This Instrument Witnesseth That the Board of Regents for and on behalf of the Education Department of the State of New York at their meeting of February 8, 2011,

An application having been made by and on behalf of the trustees of the Rochester Institute of Technology, for an amendment of its charter, it was

Voted, that the absolute charter in the first instance of the Rochester Institute of Technology. located in the city of Rochester, county of Monroe, state of New York, which corporation was incorporated by Special Act of the Legislature pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 33 of the Laws of 1830 under the corporate name "Rochester Athenaeum" on February 12, 1830; which absolute charter was amended pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 387 of the Laws of 1891 on May 22, 1891 to change the corporate name to "The Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics' Institute" and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 500 of the Laws of 1892 on May 12, 1892; which absolute charter was further amended by action of the Board of Regents on July 21, 1944 to change the corporate name to "Rochester Institute of Technology" and to designate that the corporation's governing board would be known as trustees rather than directors, May 19, 1950, June 26, 1953, May 25, 1956, December 19, 1958 to restate the charter in its entirety, April 26, 1963, June 28, 1963, January 29, 1969, January 27, 1971, October 29, 1971, November 15, 1973, October 19, 1979, April 26, 1985, December 15, 1989 and September 20, 1996 be, and the same hereby is, amended to authorize the corporation to operate postsecondary degree programs registered by the State Education Department and to confer degrees approved and authorized by the Board of Regents in connection with such programs, including the degree of Master of Architecture (M.Arch.).



Granted, February 8, 2011, by the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York, for and on behalf of the State Education Department, and executed under the seal of said University and recorded as Number 25,314.

Chancellor

President of the University and Commissioner of Education



### ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

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This Instrument Witnesseth That the Board of Regents for and on behalf of the Education Department of the State of New York at their meeting of April 21, 1998,

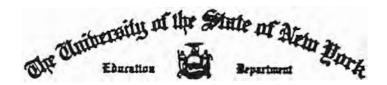
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Granted, April 21, 1998, by the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York, for an on behalf of the State Education Department, and executed under the seal of said University and recorded as Number 22,476.

Chancellor

Commissioner of Education



### ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AMENDMENT OF CHARTER

This Instrument Witnesseth That the Board of Regents for and on behalf of the Education Department of the State of New York at their meeting of September 20, 1996,

An application having been made by and on behalf of the trustees of the Rochester Institute of Technology, for an amendment of its charter, it was

Voted, that the absolute charter in the first instance of the Rochester Institute of Technology, located in the city of Rochester, county of Monroe, state of New York, which corporation was incorporated by Special Act of the Legislature pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 33 of the Laws of 1830 under the corporate name "Rochester Athenaeum" on February 12, 1830; which absolute charter was amended pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 387 of the Laws of 1891 on May 22, 1891 to change the corporate name to "The Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics' Institute" and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 500 of the Laws of 1892 on May 12, 1892; which absolute charter was further amended by action of the Board of Regents on July 21, 1944 to change the corporate name to "Rochester Institute of Technology" and to designate that the corporation's governing board would be known as trustees rather than directors, May 19, 1950, June 26, 1953, May 25, 1956, December 19, 1958 to restate the charter in its entirety, April 26, 1963, June 28, 1963, January 29, 1969, January 27, 1971, October 29, 1971, November 15, 1973, October 19, 1979, April 26, 1985 and December 15, 1989 be, and the same hereby is, amended to increase the maximum authorized number of trustees from forty-three to soxty.



Granted, September 20, 1996, by the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York, for and on behalf of the State Education Department, and executed under the seal of said University and recorded as Number 22,180.

President of The University and Commissioner of Education



### Amendment to Charter

### ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

THIS INSTRUMENT WITNESSETH That the Regents of The University of the State of New York, have amended the charter of Rochester Institute of Technology, located in Rochester, county of Monroe, state of New York, which was originally incorporated under the name of The Rochester Athenaeum on February 12, 1830, by Chapter 33 of the Laws of New York, 1830, such charter having been subsequently amended from time to time and in various respects by acts of the Legislature of the State of New York and by action of the Board of Regents, including an amendment to change the name of the corporation to The Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics' Institute by Chapter 337 of the Laws of 1891, and a further change of name to Rechester Institute of Technology by action of the Regents on July 21, 1944, and which charter was last amended by action of the Regents on April 26, 1985, be and the same hereby is further amended to authorize the corporation to grant the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree.

Granted December 15, 1989, by the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York, for and on behalf of the State Education Department, and executed under the seal of said University, and recorded as Number 20,566.



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President of The University and Commissioner of Education



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THIS INSTRUMENT WITNESSETH That the Regents of The University of the State of New York have amended the charter of Rochester Institute of Technology, located in the city of Rochester, county of Monroe, which was originally incorporated under the name of The Rochester Anthenaeum on February 12, 1830, by chapter 33 of the Laws of New York, 1830, such charter having been subsequently amended from time to time and in various respects by acts of the Legislature of the State of New York and by action of the Board of Regents, including an amendment to change the name of the corporation to The Rochester Anthenaeum and Mechanics' Institute by chapter 387 of the Laws of 1891, and a further change of name to Rochester Institute of Technology by action of the Regents on July 21, 1944, and which charter was last amended by the Regents on October 19, 1979, is further amended by deleting the authority of the corporation to maintain a campus in Seneca County and to offer the bachelor of arts (B.A.) degree and to authorize the corporation to operate and maintain a licensed day care center in conformity with the rules and regulations of the Department of Social Services.



Granted April 26, 1985, by the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York, for and on behalf of the State Education Department, and executed under the seal of said University, and recorded as Number 18,839.

Chancellor

Presi ent of The Universit and Commissioner of Education



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THIS INSTRUMENT WITNESSETH That the Regents of The University of the State of New York have amended the charter of Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, Monroe County, which was originally incorporated under the name of The Rochester Athenaeum on February 12, 1830, by chapter 33 of the Laws of New York, 1830, such charter having been subsequently amended from time to time and in various respects by acts of the Legislature of the State of New York and by action of the Board of Regents, including change of corporate name of the Institute to The Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics' Institute by chapter 337 of the Laws of 1891, and a further change of name to Rochester Institute of Technology by action of the Regents on July 21, 1944, which charter was further amended by action of the Regents on May 19, 1950, June 26, 1953, May 25, 1956, December 19, 1958, April 26, 1963, June 28, 1963, January 29, 1969, January 27, 1971, October 29, 1971 and last amended on November 15, 1973, by authorizing the institution to confer the additional degree of bachelor of arts (B.A.) in conformity with the Rules of the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York and the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education for the registration of the program leading to such degree; and by authorizing the corporation to operate and maintain a branch campus in the county of Seneca, State of New York.

Franted October 19, 1979 by the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York and executed under the seal of said University. Number 16,990.

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Granted November 16, 1973 by the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York and executed under the seal of said University and recorded as Number 12,011.

Chancellor

President of the University and Commissioner of Education



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Granted October 29, 1971 by the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York and executed under the seal of said University and recorded as Number 1,642.

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- members of Rochester Institute of Technology are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name "Rochester Institute of Technology" for the purposes of maintaining a higher educational institution in order to cultivate and promote literature, science, technology, and the arts, to be located principally in the city of Rochester, county of Monroe and State of New York, and to these ends, said corporation may:
  - a. Take, receive and hold by bequest, grant, devise, gift, purchase, lease and otherwise, either absolutely or in trust, any property, real or personal, without limitations as to kind or nature or amount; use, administer, apply, expend and dispose of any such property; carry out the directions and exercise the powers contained in any will, deed of trust, contract or other instrument under which any such property is acquired; sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, invest, reinvest and dispose of any such property.

- 2. The members of the corporation shall constitute its board of trustees, and they shall be 35 in number. Alexander M. Bccbcc, Ethel B. Beebee, Lynn N. Bither, John P. Boylan, Theodore C. Briggs, Herbert W. Chamberlain, Albert K. Chapman, Brackett H. Clark, M. Herbert Eisenhart, Mark Ellingson, Charles K. Flint, Maurice R. Forman, James E. Gleason, Fred H. Gordon, Jr., Ezra A. Hale, Carl S. Hallauer, P. Richard Jameson, Byron A. Johnson, Jr., Verner C. Kreuter, Sr., Russell C. McCarthy, Gilbert J. C. McCurdy, Paul Miller, Arthur J. O'Brien, Raymond E. Olson, John D. Pike, Edward J. Ries, F. Ritter Shumway, Arthur L. Stern, Lewis B. Swift, Robert C. Tait, Raymond L. Thompson, Walter L. Todd, Allcon O. Webb, Gaylord C. Whitaker and Wallace E. Wilson, shall be and shall continue as members of the corporation until their successors shall be chosen in conformity with the bylaws of the corporation, as they are now established or as they may hereafter be altered or amended.
- 3. The corporation shall be a nonstock corporation organized and operated exclusively for educational purposes, and no part of its earnings or net income shall inure to the benefit of any individual, and no officer, member or employee of the corporation shall receive or be entitled to receive any pecuniary profit from the operations thereof, except reasonable compensation for services.
- 4. The corporation shall be authorized to confer, in conformity with the rules of the Regents and the regulations of the Commissioner of Education for the registration of institutions of higher education, the degrees of associate in applied-science (A.A.S.), bachelor of science (B.S.), bachelor of fine arts (B.F.A.), master of fine arts (M.F.A.), in course, and the honorary degrees of doctor of commercial science (D,C,S,), doctor of fine arts (D.P.A.), doctor of laws (LL.D.), and doctor of science (Sc.D.).
- 5. The principal office of the corporation is to be located in the city of Rochester, county of Monroe and State of New York.
- 6. The Commissioner of Education is designated as the respresentative of the corporation upon whom process in any action or proceeding against it may be served.

GRANTED December 19, 1958, by the Board of Regents for and on behalf of the State Education Department, executed under the seal of said

Department and recorded therein.

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### CHAP. 500.

AN ACT to amend chapter thirty-three of the laws of eighteen hundred and thirty, entitled "An act to incorporate the Rochester Athenaum."

APPROVED by the Governor May 12, 1892. Passed, three fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Chapter thirty-three of the laws of eighteen hundred charter and thirty, entitled "An act to incorporate the Rochester Atheneum," amended is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section, to be known as section six:

§ 6. A quorum of the board of directors shall consist of nine mem- Quorum of bers thereof, or such other number, not less than seven, as may be directors. prescribed by the by-laws of the corporation.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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APPROVED by the Governor May 22, 1891. Passed, throe-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter thirty-three of the laws of eighteen hundred and thirty, entitled "An act to incorporate the Rochester Athenaeum" is hereby amended to read as follows:

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§ 1. All persons who now are members of the Rochester Athenaeum and such persons as they may associate with them in pursuance of the constitution thereof as now established, or as it may hereafter be

altered or amended, are hereby constituted a body corporate by the corporate name of "The Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics' Institute" for name and purposes. the purposes of cultivating and promoting literature, science and the arts, with the right and power to take, hold and convey real estate to un amount not exceeding in value, exclusive of improvements thereon, Real and the sum of twenty thousand dollars; and also any goods, chattels, estate. personal property, library, cabinets, philosophical and other apparatus that may be necessary for attaining the objects and carrying into effect the purposes of the said corporation; which said real and personal estate, however invested, shall be deemed personal property and be transferable as such.

§ 2. Section two of said chapter thirty-three of the laws of eighteen

hundred and thirty, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:
§ 2. Jonas Jones, Marcus Michaels, Jacob Howe, Solomon Wile, Directors.
Darrell D. Sully, Abram E. Wollf, Alonzo L. Mabbett, Henry Wray,
Jr., William J. Wilcox, Charles B. Rebasz, J. Harry Stedman, E. Frank Brewster, William H. Gorsline, Thomas Smith, Charles E. Morris, Byron D. McAlpine and Frank M. Goff, shall be and continue the directors of the said corporation until the next annual election and until their successors in office shall be chosen. At the next elec- Election tion of directors there shall be elected thirty-five directors; and from and after such election the management of the concerns and Control of the control and disposal of the funds and the real and personal etc., vest estate of said corporation shall be vested in a board of thirty-five di-board. rectors, chosen in conformity with the constitution and by-laws of the said corporation, as they are now established, or may hereafter be altered or amended; and all real and personal estate now held by the Real and said directors, or any of them, or any other person or persons in trust for the said corporation or for the use and benefit of the same, includion. ing choses in action, which by the terms thereof, are payable to said corporation or to the said directors or to any other person or persons in trust for the said corporation shall by virtue and operation of this act vest in, become the property of and may be sued for and recovere in the name of the said corporation.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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AN ACT to incorporate the Rochester Athenaum.

Passed February 12, 1830.

The People of the State of New-York, represented in Senute and Assembly, do enact as follows:

S 1. All persons who now are or hereafter may become corporation members of the Rochester Athentoum, in pursuance of the created constitution thereof as now established, or as it may be reafter be altered and amended, are hereby constituted a body corporate, by the name of "The Rochester Athenaum," for the purpose of cultivating and promoting literature, science and the arts, with the right and power to take, hold and convey real estate, to an amount not exceeding in value, exclusive of improvements thereon, the sum of twenty thousand dollars; and also any goods, chattels, personal property, library, cabinets, philosophical or other apparatus, that may be necessary for attaining the objects and carrying into effect the purposes of the said incorporation: which said real and personal estate, however invested, shall be deemed personal property, and be iransferable as such.

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\$ 2. The management of the concerns and the control and pinetor to disposal of the funds and the real and personal estate of the manage con said corporation shall be vested in a board of seventeen directors, chosen in conformity with the constitution and bylaws of the said institution as they are now established, or may heroafter be altered or amended: and Nathaniel Rochester, Charles Perkins, Simoon Ford, William James, Jonathan Childs, James Seymour, Nathaniel T. Rochester, Levi A. Ward, Levi Ward, juntor, Joseph Penney, Everard

Elisha Johnson, Rufus Beach, Abelard Reynolds, William Atkinson, Henry I. Whitehouse and Harvey Ely, who are now directors of the said corporation, shall continue to be directors thereof until the next annual election, and until others shall be chosen in their places: and all real and personal estate now held by the said directors or any of them, or any other person or persons in trust for the said institution, or for the use and benefit of the same, including choses in action, which by the terms thereof are payable to the said directors or to any other person or persons in trust for the said institution, shall, by virtue and operation of this act, vest in, become the property of, and may be sued for and recovered in the name of the said corporation.

Property and funds how applied. \$3. The estate, property and funds of the said corporation shall be held for, and devoted solely to purposes of literature, science and the arts, and while so held and devoted shall be exempt and free from all state, county, town or village taxes and assessments whatsoever.

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\$\textit{S}\$ 4. This act is hereby declared to be a public act, and shall in all courts and places be construed benignly and favorably for every beneficial purpose therein intended; and no missiomer or misdescription of the said corporation, in any will, deed, gift, grant, demise or other instrument of contract or conveyance shall vitiate or defeat the same; but every such will, deed, gift, grant, demise or other instrument of contract or conveyance, shall take effect in like manner as if the said corporation were rightly named therein, provided it be sufficiently described to ascertain the intent of the parties.

General powers. \$5. The said corporation shall possess the general powers, and he subject to the liabilities and provisions contained in title third of chapter eighteen of the first part of the Revised Statutes.

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\$ 6. This act shall commence and take effect from the passage thereof.