**YearOne Peer Advisors (PAs)**

The goal of YearOne is to make students’ first year at RIT a positive and rewarding experience. This course will occur during the first 12 weeks of the semester.

PAs will help first-year students with the transition to college life and assist them in becoming actively engaged at RIT. Therefore, PAs must be enthusiastic and knowledgeable about RIT and able to communicate effectively with first-year students.

PAs will be responsible for assisting instructors with facilitating lessons and activities and will mentor and support first-year students. PAs will be supervised by a Lead Peer Advisor (Lead PA) and a professional staff member from the Academic Support Center.

Ideal candidates for the PA position will be actively involved on campus, have a GPA of 2.8 or greater, and have strong organizational and communication skills. They will also ideally have some experience with social media and technology. In addition, PAs must be available for the entire Fall 2015 semester and cannot be planning to study abroad, complete a co-op, etc. during this period.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the following:

**Classroom Support:**
- Help to facilitate activities and discussions in two sections of the YearOne course.
- Collaborate with instructor to coordinate instruction and lead class discussion.

**Student Engagement:**
- Promote a strong level of engagement among first-year students, assisting them in becoming an integral part of the RIT community.
- Maintain extensive knowledge of the resources and opportunities available on the RIT campus to provide information to first-year students and to answer their questions.
- Participate in training opportunities as appropriate.
- Serve as a positive role model for new students by displaying the responsibility and maturity of an upper-class student.