

Dear Student,

I would like to extend you a warm welcome to RIT, the College of Liberal Arts, and the economics program. You are joining an exciting and demanding college that will provide an education to help you meet the expectations and opportunities that you will encounter in your career and throughout your life. It is our hope that your academic career at RIT will prove to be fruitful and challenging.

Transferring to a new college is exciting, but it can be overwhelming. We encourage you to read the *New Student Survival Guide* that will be mailed to you in June. It contains a checklist of to-do items and information about the many services and resources that will help you make the most of your experience at RIT. And to help you have a successful transition, we recommend that you attend one of the Transfer Welcome programs offered on either July 20 or September 4. More information about this program is in the *Guide*.

Once you have paid your deposit, we will pre-register you for fall quarter classes. Using your RIT Computer Account and password, you will be able to access your tentative schedule online at [infocenter.rit.edu](http://infocenter.rit.edu). Please be aware that as we receive official Advanced Placement (AP) scores, official college transcripts, and math placement scores your schedule will be adjusted accordingly. I will serve as your academic adviser and will help you finalize your schedule and make any required adjustments during Transfer Welcome.

The economics department will offer you the support, challenges, and rewards you expect in a high quality academic program. If I can assist you as you prepare for RIT, please contact me at [mjvgss@rit.edu](mailto:mjvgss@rit.edu). I look forward to hearing from you. And once again, welcome to the economics program.

Sincerely,

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