

Dear Student,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to RIT and the computer science (CS) department of the B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences (GCCIS). The faculty and staff in the CS department are looking forward to working with you during your college career. Our goal is to provide you with an education that will help you to meet the expectations and opportunities you will encounter in your career and throughout your life. We want to help you make your time with us here at RIT the best time of your life.

In order to ensure proper placement in courses and keep our records as accurate as possible, please go to our website www.cs.rit.edu/orientation and fill out the survey associated with your student status (transfer) to update your personal information. Please complete and submit the survey by Friday, June 19. Once we receive your updated information, a member of our advising team will contact you to discuss your preliminary schedule and address any questions you may have regarding our curriculum, course registration and transfer credits. Additionally, you will find information on our website (listed above) that provides an explanation of advising resources available in CS, details regarding placement exams and departmental contact information. If you do not have access to the Internet and would like these materials mailed to you please contact the CS Student Services Office at (585) 475-2995.

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*.

If we can assist you as you prepare to transfer to RIT, please contact us via e-mail at advising@cs.rit.edu or by phone, at (585) 475-2995. We trust that your experience at GCCIS and in the CS department will be as fulfilling for you as it is for us. We look forward to meeting you in the fall.

With Best Wishes,

Paul Tymann, Chair
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