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Dear Student,

Congratulations on your admission to the new RIT University Studies program at Rochester Institute of Technology. You have made an excellent decision in choosing this academic and career exploration program as your first step toward gaining an RIT degree. Your exploration will begin during RIT's Transfer Welcome Programs. Mark your calendars now for your preference of dates: Monday, July 20, 2009 or Friday, September 4, 2009.

Once you have paid your admissions 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. 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. Advisers will be available throughout your tenure at RIT to assist you with curriculum questions, career planning, and any other advising issues. You may also contact the University Studies Staff Assistant, Judy Offen, by e-mail at jxogla@rit.edu who will be able to assist you with your questions. In the meantime, we need your response to the following two items:

1. Please look over the enclosed "Preliminary Preferences for Selection of Major" form. When you applied, you listed between one and three major areas of interest and these are indicated on the form. Think about the degree programs you wish to explore in the coming year, and if anything has changed, this is your opportunity to let us know. Please fill out this form and return it to me in the enclosed envelope by Monday, June 15, 2009. . Although your listed preferences are not binding in any way, they will be extremely useful to your adviser and will serve as the basis for your first meeting. On the back of the preliminary preferences form, you will find space to list the courses for which you expect to receive AP or college credit. Having this information in advance of registration will also assist us in choosing the right courses for you.
2. One other form I would like you to fill out is the enclosed "Student Introduction Sheet." This will help us get to know you a little better. Please return your introduction sheet at the same time you return the preliminary preferences form.

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 of the Transfer Welcome programs offered on either July 20 or September 4. More information about the welcome program is in the *Guide*.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (585) 475-4027 or via e-mail at marty.burris@rit.edu. I look forward to seeing you at Orientation!

Sincerely,

Ms. Marty Burris
Director, University Studies Program

Enclosures

p.s. Don't forget to return your two completed forms to the University Studies Program by June 15!