

Change of Program into Computing Security (BS)

Computing Security Department · GOL-2120 · 585-475-2963

Current RIT students that are interested in a Change of Program (COP) into Computing Security must do the following to be considered for the program:

1. Prospective Change of Program students are required to meet with an academic advisor in the Computing Security Department
 - a. You can stop by GOL-2120 or call 585-475-2963 to schedule that meeting
2. Complete the Change of Program form with your current academic advisor. They will send the form to our office along with your academic record. It should be sent to Megan Fritts in GOL-2120.
3. Submit a personal statement via email to the academic advisor in CSEC you met with, addressing the following:
 - a. Why are you applying?
 - b. What are your academic strengths & weaknesses?
 - c. What areas in computing are you passionate about?
 - d. What are your future goals/career interests?
 - e. Why do you feel your current major is not the right “fit” for your future goals?
 - f. Why do you believe this major is the right “fit” for your future goals?
4. If you have not taken the Math Placement Exam, this must be taken to enroll in Calculus. Please contact examasst@rit.edu to take the Math Placement Exam.
5. Contact Financial Aid to understand any aid implications a change of major could have.
6. All application materials must be submitted to Megan Fritts, mcfics@rit.edu; GOL 2120, by the last day of finals of the term prior to entry.

Students that are applying after the last day of finals of the previous semester will need to wait until grades are assigned for the current semester to receive an answer on acceptance. You will not be able to enroll in our courses until *after* our restrictions are lifted. You can work with our academic advisors to be added to a waitlist for a course.

Students must meet with a CSEC academic advisor to discuss the program and how their previous courses will transfer to the new program. This discussion is important, as it will give you a better idea of what the program is about and if it will extend your stay at RIT. **This meeting must take place prior to acceptance.**

How will I be notified?

The Academic Advisor you have been working with will notify you by email to inform you of the Undergraduate Program Director’s decision as to whether or not you have been accepted into

the program. If accepted, the advisor will assist you with any additional scheduling assistance that may still be needed for the upcoming semester.

Admissions Criteria:

- A MINIMUM Cumulative GPA is a 2.8 is expected.
- All of our programs include math and programming; skills in these areas are very important. Grades in these courses will be taken into consideration when your application is reviewed.
- Admissions decisions are made case-by-case. Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance.

Recommended Coursework:

Computer Science I & II- CSCI 141 & 142
Project-Based Calculus I & II- MATH 181 & 181 (or MATH 181A & 182A, or MATH 171, 172, & 173)
Discrete Math- MATH 190
Fundamentals of Computing Security- CSEC 101

If you have further questions or concerns about a doing a Change of Program into our department, please call and schedule an appointment with an academic advisor at 585-475-2963.