Dear Student,

I would like to extend you a warm welcome to RIT and the B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences. You are joining an exciting and demanding college that will provide an education to help you meet the expectations and opportunities 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.

To start your career at RIT off on the right foot, we encourage you to visit the RIT New Student Orientation website for further information about our program. Their website and materials contain 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. You will also find details about the DiscoveRIT Pre-Orientation Program, which will be held on Saturday, August 17 – Tuesday, August 20, 2018. Freshmen will move into the residence halls on Tuesday, August 20 and New Student Orientation will run through August 25, 2019.

All freshmen will be pre-registered for fall term courses in late-July. Liberal Arts seats are limited so there is not always an option to switch those classes after schedules are created. We do not register you in courses for which you have or may potentially be receiving AP or transfer credit for. If you have any concerns or we scheduled you for a course for which we were unaware you should have course credit, please notify us immediately and we will work to change your schedule. Please see the Freshman Questionnaire tab and answer our online questionnaire. It is important that we know information about:

- Incoming transfer credit / AP credit
- Your computer programming experience
- Any schedule restrictions due to activities, athletics, part-time work, etc.

In addition, Computing Security students are required to take the Math Placement Exam (MPE). The MPE is available from **May 15-June 30, 2019**. To access the exam or for more information, please feel free to visit: https://www.rit.edu/science/mpe.

This summer you will have the opportunity to prepare yourself for your introductory programming class via an optional, free, on-line class experience called Code Zero. Code Zero is scheduled to run in the summer. More information will be sent out to incoming freshman on or around July. We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.

Advisors will be available throughout your years at RIT to assist you with career planning and any other advising issues.

You will find that the B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences will offer you the support, challenges, and rewards you expect in a high quality academic program. If we can assist you as you prepare for college, please contact your advisor. Also, please be sure to introduce yourself to me during Orientation. I congratulate you thus far on your accomplishments and look forward to meeting you this fall.

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Sincerely,

Bo Yuan
Department Chair
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Undergraduate Questionnaire

Please take a moment to tell us about yourself. The information you provide will assist us with creating your first semester schedule. Undergraduate Questionnaire

FAQ

Is it required to bring a computer to school with me? If I do bring a computer should I bring a laptop or desktop?

It is not required to bring a computer to school. However, many students do own a laptop for note-taking, doing homework and learning, accessing remote lab environment, or other purposes. Once students are on campus, they will have access to a list of commercial software free of charge for educational purpose. Currently, many Microsoft products are available through MSDN Academic Alliance; VMware products are available through VMware Academic Program (VMAP). For more information about software might be available to you, please visit this website: https://www.rit.edu/its/services/software-licensing.

When will I be registered for fall classes?

The CSEC Student Services staff and professional academic advisors will take care of registering all freshmen students over the summer. We will ensure you have a proper and full schedule for fall.

How can I make changes to my fall schedule?

Although it will be difficult to make changes to the days and times of your courses, you can work with your assigned academic advisor to make changes to your schedule. Their contact information is located at the bottom of the welcome letter. You will also have the opportunity to discuss changes to your schedule with an academic advisor during the week of Orientation as well.

Where do I send official transcripts?

If you have AP, IB or college transfer scores/credits to report, and have not done so already, please request that your official scores and/or transcripts be sent directly from the issuing body to:

RIT Office of Admissions
60 Lomb Memorial Drive
Rochester, NY 14623-5603

College Board contact information
(to request official AP scores for Admissions):
AP Services
P.O. Box 6671
Princeton, NJ 08541-6671
Phone: (609) 771-7300 or (888) 225-5427 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada)
Website can be found here.

What are the Wellness/Physical Education requirements?

Students must successfully complete two DIFFERENT wellness activity courses (tennis, rock climbing, skiing, etc.) at some point before they graduate.

How do I contact Housing Operations at RIT?
Housing Operations has a detailed website to answer your questions.

You can also reach Housing by telephone:
8:00AM - 5:00PM
(585) 475.2572 (voice)
(585) 475.2113 (tty)

How do I reach the Financial Aid Department?
Office hours for Financial Aid are 8:30am to 4:30pm Monday through Friday. You can reach them by telephone at 585-475-2186 (585-475-6909 TTY).

You can also find useful information on their website.

How do I find a job on campus?
RIT has a central office called the Student Employment Office (SEO) which can assist you with finding student employment. You can visit their website here.

Placement Exams

RIT Math Placement Exam
The Computing Security program at RIT requires a calculus sequence as part of your course requirements. In an effort to enable you to succeed in your college math courses, the math department has developed an on-line calculus placement test. The purpose of this exam is to assess mastery of some of the fundamental mathematical concepts that you may have seen in your high school math courses. In particular, it tests skills in algebra, geometry, trigonometry, and functions, all of which are crucial to succeed in the various calculus sequences at RIT. The placement exam has no effect on your GPA. It simply provides a strong recommendation to us in the CSEC department regarding the suitable course to begin your required mathematics sequence.

All entering students whose program requires a calculus sequence, including those who have AP credit and those who may have transfer credit, will need to take this exam online. The Computing Security department will not be able to register you for a math course until you have taken this exam.

Failing to take this exam may affect your ability to be placed in the appropriate course at a later date because seats are limited. In addition, your financial aid may be affected if your schedule does not include the minimum number of credits (12). Therefore, the placement exam will be available for your convenience online at https://www.rit.edu/science/mpe from May 15th to June 30th, 2018.

Writing Placement Exam (WPE)
The purpose of the WPE is to determine whether students are able to be registered directly into a First Year Writing course or if they must take the Critical Reading & Writing course first. For more information and where to take the WPE, please click here: https://www.rit.edu/academicaffairs/writing/writing-placement-exam

Contact Us

Student Services Office
Our student services office is located in room GOL-2120 in building 70. The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30am until 4:30pm.

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