

**Graduate Orientation: Tuesday, August 21st, from 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM, Golisano 2400**

The Graduate student orientation will allow you to meet with the Graduate Program Director, Sumita Mishra and Graduate Advisor, Jill Persson. Professor Mishra will review program requirements and answer any questions you might have. A light breakfast and coffee will be served!

There is also a mandatory Academic Integrity Workshop that all students have to attend on Wednesday, August 22nd from 1:00 PM -3:00 PM in the Golisano Auditorium GOL-1400.

**Graduate Open Advising**

You will have a chance to meet one-on-one with the Graduate Advisor, Jill Persson, to discuss your Fall course schedule on Thursday, August 23rd from 9:30am-12pm.

**Graduate Course Enrollment and Bridge Course Placement Exams**

All incoming graduate students will be enrolled in Fall courses by the department. Course placements are determined by your documented previous academic studies. Many of you are placed in bridge courses, which are required prerequisite courses that students must take before they are able to move on to core program courses. Bridge courses prepare you for your new program, introducing important concepts and "bridging" any gaps between undergraduate and graduate study.

Students placed in these bridge courses have the opportunity to test out of the course by taking a placement exam. If a student passes a placement exam, the corresponding bridge course requirement is considered fulfilled, and the student does not need to take that course. Placement exams are not offered for all bridge courses. Any incoming student enrolled in a bridge course may elect to take an offered bridge course exam. Students may sit as many exams as they like, but can only take each exam once. No make-up or repeat placement exams will be given.

The placement exam along with a PDF study guide is below. To register for an exam, please fill out [this online survey](#). Students must register by Tuesday, August 14th.

Statistics

[Study Guide](#)

Tuesday August 21st, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (written only) - GOL-2650 (Large DB Lab).

\*Practical exams are only offered to those students that pass the written portion. Students will be notified by the examining professor of their written score. If it is a pass, the student will then be informed of the date and time of the practical portion of the exam. (Practical exams will be held that same week).

All graduate students who need to take a math course will also need to take the Math Placement Exam through RIT's Math Department. The MPE is available until August 15th. To access the exam or for more information, please visit: <https://www.rit.edu/science/mpe>.

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