ARRIVAL GUIDE 2018

Transfer Students Assigned to: RIT Inn, University Commons, RIT Apartments, Global Village
Move In Date: Tuesday, August 21
Welcome to RIT’s Housing Community!

We look forward to helping you get settled in your new home for the 2018–2019 academic year. Please read through this arrival guide carefully.

Contact RIT Housing

If you have questions about housing, your confirmation, or move-in, call our office at 585-475-2572, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Email us at housing@rit.edu, or check the RIT housing portal at myhousing.rit.edu.

Don’t Leave Home Without These!

Most importantly - you must have a photo I.D. in order to be issued your housing key.

Get these helpful documents at housing.rit.edu
• Global Village move-in/drop-off map (GV residents only)
• RIT Inn guide (RIT Inn residents only)

Understanding the Sections of Your Confirmation

Room Assignment

Your room assignment for 2018–2019 is shown under the confirmation page of your 2018–2019 online RIT housing contract. You can locate your building on the color-coded map. Soon this will be home sweet home!

Your RIT Mailing Address

You will receive information regarding your mailbox, mailing address, package pick up, and where/when to pick up your mailbox key in August via an e-mail sent to your RIT account.

Your Roommate(s)

Your roommate’s RIT username is shown on the confirmation page of your 2018–2019 housing contract. Add @rit.edu to the username in order to email your roommate(s).

Moving Into Your Housing Assignment

When Can I Move In?

Transfer students can move in Tuesday, August 21, 2018. You may pick up your key from RIT Housing Operations located in Grace Watson Hall 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m.

If you arrive after 11:00 p.m., you will be on your own to locate alternative housing for the night at a local hotel.

Your move-in date is Tuesday, August 21, 2018. Approximately 2,400 students are moving in to the residence halls on the same day. No more than two vehicles per family will be allowed to enter the move-in and unloading route.

Due to the number of people involved in this process, we strongly suggest that you ask extended family to visit during Brick City Homecoming in October rather than your fall move-in day. Due to the hectic nature of the day, leave your pets at home. Pets are not allowed in RIT buildings. A limited number of moving carts will be available to assist you with transporting your belongings.
Key Pickup

Housing key
You will pick up your housing key from RIT Housing Operations located in Grace Watson Hall.

Exceptions:

RIT Inn Key Pick-Up
If you are assigned to student housing or short-term housing at the RIT Inn, you will pick up your room key from the front desk located in the main lobby of the RIT Inn. You may pull your car up to the door that is closest to the room you are assigned to. We ask you to unload and then immediately move your car to a parking space.

You will pick up your mailbox key at the post office located in Nathaniel Rochester Hall (NRH), A-Level.

If you are assigned to Global Village building 405, you will have keyless entry. You will receive an email prior to your arrival with instructions on how to download the app needed to gain entry to the building.

A limited number of moving carts will be available to you at move-in. Carts can be signed out at your key pick-up location.

Mailbox Key
If you are assigned to Colony Manor or, Perkins Green or your mailbox key will be in your housing key packet.

If you are assigned to University Commons, Global Village, Riverknoll, or Greek Circle, you will pick up your mailbox key at the post office located in Global Village.

Mailbox Setup for Students in Colony Manor, Perkins Green
Once you have picked up your mailbox key, please clearly print your name on a small piece of paper and tape it on the inside of your mailbox to ensure the delivery of your mail.

Arriving by Plane
At the Greater Rochester International Airport, you may contact a taxi to transport you to campus. The taxi pickup is located outside the baggage claim area of the terminal. The taxi fare for the trip from the airport to RIT will cost you approximately $25.

Arriving at the Train Depot
You may obtain a taxi to transport you to campus. As you exit the train depot, taxis are generally lined up to the left of the depot. If a taxi is not available, the staff at the ticket window will call a taxi for you. The taxi fare from the train depot to RIT will cost you approximately $25.

Arriving at the Bus Station
You may contact a taxi to transport you to campus. Taxis are generally parked in front of the bus station. If a taxi is not available, the staff at the ticket window will call a taxi for you. The taxi fare for the trip from the bus station to RIT will cost you approximately $25.

Arriving by Taxi, Uber, or Lyft
Please ask the driver to use the Lowenthal Drive main entrance.

How Do I Get to RIT?
Commonly Asked Questions

Will I Need Any Insurance?
RIT strongly encourages all students to maintain insurance coverage either under a parent’s homeowners insurance or through a separate personal property policy. RIT assumes no responsibility for losses of students’ personal belongings. RIT offers personal property insurance through CSI Insurance Agency which offers several different limit and deductible options to provide students the flexibility to select the type and amount of coverage that best serves their needs. For more information and to enroll in a plan, contact CSI Insurance Agency, Inc. at 888-411-4911 or at collegestudentinsurance.com.

Can I Bring a Pet?
No pets or animals except fish are allowed in RIT housing. Piranhas, Oscars, and other fighting fish are not allowed. A fish tank cannot exceed 10 gallons.

What Size Sheets and Blankets Will I Need?
Global Village beds are twin extra-longs, University Commons and RIT Inn are double beds.

How to Connect to Tiger TV (Philo)
Tiger TV has 64 channels including HBO, Cinemax, HBO Go and Max Go.

You will not be able to sign up for Philo until the following day if you pick up your key and check in to housing after 2:00 p.m. due to the timing of our interface feed.

You must wait until you are on the RIT campus and can access RIT’s internet to sign up for Philo!

• Watch on iOS, Android, Roku, Chrome, & Web
• Visit philo.com/roku to register your Roku.
• Go to watch.philo.com to start watching Philo!
• For closed captioning please use Mozilla Firefox.
• Microsoft Silverlight will need to be installed.
• Text philo to 62687 for iOS and Android download links.

Contact ITS Resnet for Help
Phone: (585) 475-2600 or email: resnet@rit.edu

How do I register my vehicle?
RIT does allow students to bring a car to campus. All vehicles must be registered with the RIT Parking Services office in order to park on campus.

No Permits Will Be Sold In The Parking Office
Vehicle registrations are required to be processed within the first few days of arrival to campus. You may register your vehicle for a virtual permit beginning Monday, August 13th. The cost for a parking permit is $100.00 and is valid through the entire academic year. This fee is applicable to students living in RIT housing and non-RIT housing. To register your vehicle online, go to rit.edu/parking. Click on the Parking link on the left and then click on the “My Parking Account” link on the right. You will need your RIT username and password to log in. Visit the PATS website at rit.edu/parking to read about campus parking regulations and view the different parking options available to each student. Free enhanced shuttle services are provided for all RIT resident students in lieu of parking in academic lots during peak hours. We use License Plate Recognition (LPR) to verify registrations in all lots.

How Will I Access the Internet?
All RIT housing has wireless access. All housing except Riverknoll has ethernet ports.
Where to Find Help?

Housing Operations and The Center for Residence Life Are Here to Help You!

RIT Housing Operations staff will assist you with your assignment, roommate additions, keys, card access, maintenance, and check-in/check-out. RIT Residence Life staff will assist with advocacy in resolving roommate and neighbor conflicts, addressing concerns in the community, and providing social and educational programs throughout the year. Each complex has live-in staff (Resident Advisors, Graduate Resident Advisors, Global Village Resident Advisors, and House Managers) that are available to you.

Residence Life Staffing

Global Village Resident Advisor
Global Village Resident Advisors (GV RAs) are undergraduate staff who have at least two semesters of Resident Advisor (RA) experience. The GV RAs facilitate interaction and communication among residents, assist with conflict resolution, and provide social and educational programs with a specific focus on transitional issues, cultural diversity, and global preparedness.

Graduate Resident Advisors
Graduate Resident Advisors (Grad RAs) are staff members who work with an apartment/suite community of 150–960 residents. The Grad RAs assist in advocacy, community living, conflict resolution, and facilitate interaction and communication among community residents through a number of social and educational programs.

House Managers
House Managers (HMs) are undergraduate members of their fraternity or sorority and live within their chapter’s house of 16 or 20 members. The HM’s duties include serving as the chapter’s liaison to Housing Operations and Residence Life, facilitating the housing selection process for their chapter, reporting maintenance issues, addressing health and safety concerns, and implementing community development initiatives.

Residence Coordinators
Residence Coordinators, (RCs,) are full-time professionals with a masters degree who work with a team of RAs to manage a residential area. Residence Coordinators are RIT Student Affairs administrators who select, supervise, and train the Resident Advisors, serve as advocates and counsel students, develop and support residential and university-wide programming, serve as conduct officers, resolve roommate conflicts, and serve as an advisor to a student organization or a special interest house. There is approximately one Residence Coordinator for every 330 students.

Area Directors
The Area Directors are full-time Student Affairs administrators who oversee one or more apartment/suite communities and work with Grad RAs, GV RAs, and HMs to coordinate campus and community resources to enhance students’ academic and co-curricular experience. The Area Directors coordinate and conduct staff training and development, counsel and coach students, develop and support residential and university-wide programs, serve as student conduct officers, resolve roommate and neighbor conflicts, advise student clubs and organizations, and collaborate with living learning communities such as Study Abroad in Global Village.

Need Immediate Help?

The Residence Life professional staff are the most appropriate people to contact to ensure timely and effective response. If there is an emergency situation when you are unable to contact these staff members, an on-call staff member is on duty each weeknight from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. the following morning and from 5:00 p.m. on Fridays to 8:30 a.m. on Mondays each weekend.

To contact the on-call staff member, simply call the RIT Public Safety dispatcher at 585-475-2853 (general) or 585-475-3333 (emergency) and your call will be referred to the appropriate staff person. For general inquires, contact the Residence Life Service Desk in Kate Gleason residence hall during business hours at 585-475-3104, or via email at residencelife@rit.edu
Housing Selection 2019–2020
November 14–December 07

The process that students will participate in to select their housing for the 2019–2020 academic year.

Check out our website housing.rit.edu beginning September for additional information.

View virtual tours for all RIT housing communities at housing.rit.edu and learn more about the convenience, security, features, and services offered by RIT Housing Operations.