

## Weekly Newsletter Wed. November 12, 2025



Our ever intrepid Stanley braves the wintery weather! | Tira Heiss

## Snow is here!

The Rochester winter has begun! We hope you're finding ways to enjoy the beauty this season brings and staying warm while you're out and about—just like our beloved mascot, Stanley.

As we move into the final weeks of the semester, we know this can be a hectic time. It takes genuine effort to balance your academic, leadership, and co-curricular responsibilities while also caring for your personal well-being. We applaud you for continually meeting (and exceeding!) your high standards and for thriving across so many areas of your educational experience. The challenges you take on are truly worthwhile—they enrich your time at RIT and bring greater meaning to your life.

We've got some fun and engaging events to close out our fall programming, building on the positive momentum of the past 11 weeks. Check out the important information and opportunities below, and please don't hesitate to reach out if you need support managing the ever-changing balancing act that comes with being an Honors student at RIT!

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A graphic for the 11th Annual Honors Research & Creativity Symposium. It features a dark green background with a pattern of concentric, glowing white diamond shapes. The text "11th Annual Honors Research & Creativity Symposium" is written in a bold, white, sans-serif font across the center.

# 11th Annual Honors Research & Creativity Symposium

## Honors Research & Creativity Symposium Posters

### Posters submissions are due on 11/17

The Honors Research & Creativity Symposium will be here before you know it on 12/06! Join 100+ Honors students who will present their research, Honors Option projects, and creative endeavors during four rounds of 25 minute poster presentations.

The Honors Office can coordinate the printing of your poster and you can use your Honors Grant to cover the costs (\$44.97) if you would like.

Poster submissions for the Honors Office to print your poster at due in less than one week on Monday, 11/17 at 4:30 pm.

Email your poster submission to [honors@rit.edu](mailto:honors@rit.edu) with the subject line: "LAST NAME\_SYMPOSIUM POSTER"

Posters must be 24" x 36" and 300 DPI if a raster file. If the graphic is vector, then no need to be concerned with DPI.

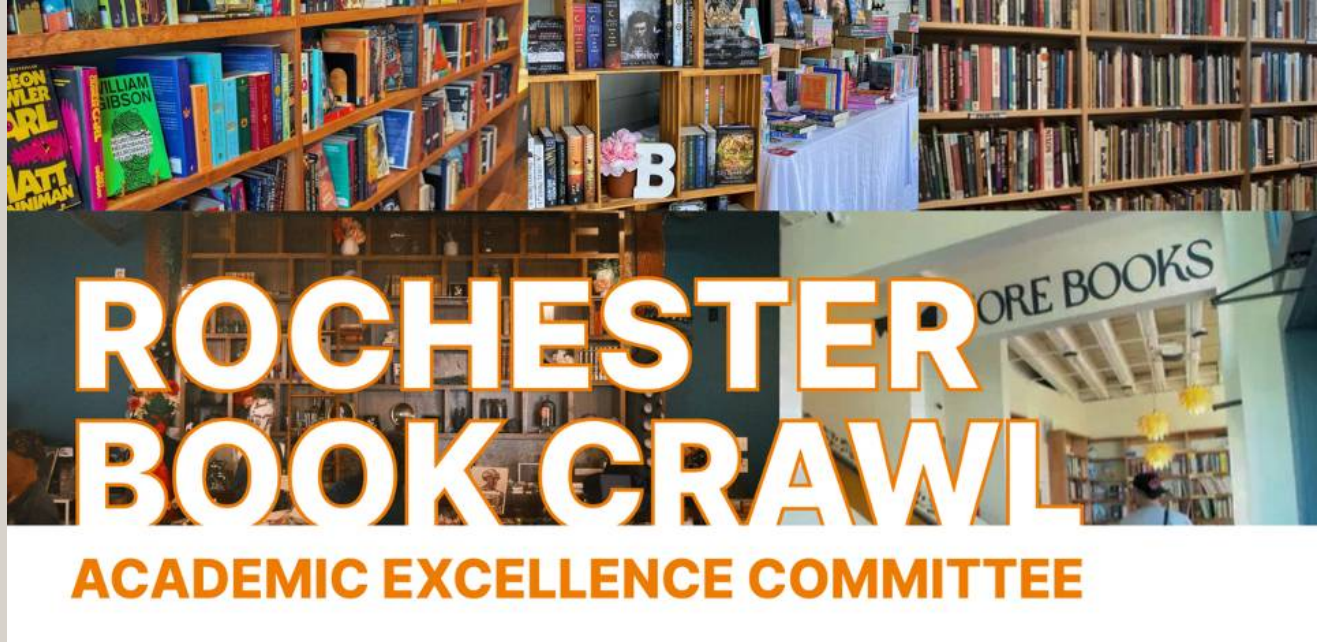
Here is a [detailed guide to poster design and printing that](#) will help you create a visually dynamic and informational poster.

Printed posters will be distributed at check-in at the Symposium.

12/06 from 2:00-4:30pm  
SHED 3300

**The first 100 attendees will receive a special symposium giveaway!**

[Email Your Poster Submission Here](#)



## Rochester Book Crawl With AEC This Weekend!

### Calling All Bookworms!

Calling all bookworms! The AEC is hosting a book crawl because books are awesome!

Explore Downtown Rochester through the wide array of bookshops and finish your punch card for a prize. Visit eight charming small bookstores around Rochester, meeting the owners, and discovering the rich stories behind each shop. Every bookstore has a unique personality, so find which one matches your vibe pick out your next read along the way.

Students will meet at the Sentinel at 10:45am and will carpool from RIT at 11:00am sharp.

The crawl will begin and end at *The Unreliable Narrator* and will culminate with a late lunch/early dinner at [Salena's Mexican Restaurant](#) in the Village Gate. **Students who stay for lunch will receive a \$15 coupon for their meal!**

This is a perfect opportunity to connect with fellow book lovers and explore the literary heart of our local community. We hope to see you there!

### Our Route:

- Akimbo Bookshop
- Archivist Books
- Before Your Quiet Eyes
- Bookeater
- Burn Bright Books
- Rick's Recycled Books
- The Siren and The Sea
- The Unreliable Narrator

**Visit the rest of the bookstores 11/16-23 to win a prize!**

- Hippocampo Children's Books
- Small World Books
- Ox Cart Books
- Greenwood Books

**11/16 with carpool at 10:45am**



Complete your punch card to win a fun prize!

Register for the Rochester Book Crawl With AEC

## Updates & Announcements



### 11/14 Hot Cocoa Office Chat This Friday!

Stop by the Honors Office this Friday for Office Chats!

This week we will have a hot cocoa bar to warm you up from the incoming snow, and a yummy selection of pastries from Panera.

Feel free to stay and catch up with your Honors friends and office staff, or just take something to go!

11/14 from 10:00-11:00am  
Honors Office

Register for 11/14 Office Chats (or just show up!)



### 11/18 Honors Council

Join Honors Council for the next Full Council meeting next Tuesday!

Stay up to date on council affairs, events, and updates in the Honors Program and become more involved in the community.

Attendees will receive 1/2 an hour of complementary learning.

11/18 from 5:30-6:30pm  
WAL 4600

Register for 11/18 Honors Council

# Spring Courses

# 2026



## Spring 2026 Honors Courses

Enrollment for spring semester courses has begun! Check SIS to find your early enrollment time as an Honors student.

Enrolling in Honors Courses is an excellent opportunity to challenge yourself academically, build connections within the Honors community, and of course, earn honors points.

Honors courses count for Honors points (1 credit = 1 point) and are automatically updated in your Honors student portal after final grades are submitted. If you still need to fulfill the requirement of at least one Honors point for the 2025-2026 academic year, these courses are a great option!

[List of Spring 2026 Honors Courses](#)

## Complementary Learning

Please see below our highlight opportunities this week. There are many other's listed on the [complementary learning webpage](#) that can fit almost anyone's busy schedule and diverse set of interests.

Students are required to engage in at least 20 hours of complementary each cycle (Sept.-Aug.) to remain in good standing in the program.

All complementary learning hours should be submitted contemporaneously, within 30 days of the event or activity, using the submission form linked below or located within the *User Tools* tab of the Honors website.

[Submit Complementary Learning](#)

## 11/15: RIT FoodShare With SLC

# Volunteer with RIT FoodShare

### Service & Leadership Committee



### Volunteer With RIT FoodShare!

FoodShare is part of the CLCE and helps the RIT community fight food insecurity by providing free food to those in need. Join the Service & Leadership Committee and volunteer to pack, sort, and take inventory of donations at RIT FoodShare. Get in those last hours of complementary learning and give back to the greater community by engaging in this opportunity with FoodShare!

11/15 from 2:00-4:00pm  
RIT FoodShare (Riverknoll)

[Register for 11/15 FoodShare Volunteering](#)

"What good is the warm of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness"  
-John Steinbeck

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