

Weekly Newsletter

Wed. November 5, 2025



There were some surprising answers during the trivia portion of last Saturday's Internal Admit Orientation!

Welcome New Honors Students!

On Saturday, Nov. 1 the Honors Program welcomed a cohort of 56 internal admission students with an Orientation at the University Gallery in Booth Hall. Students got to know each other and the program staff over breakfast, played a round of RIT trivia, heard from Program Director Dr. Lutzer on the mission of the program and our policies and procedures, and competed in a Kahoot to test all of their newly gained knowledge.

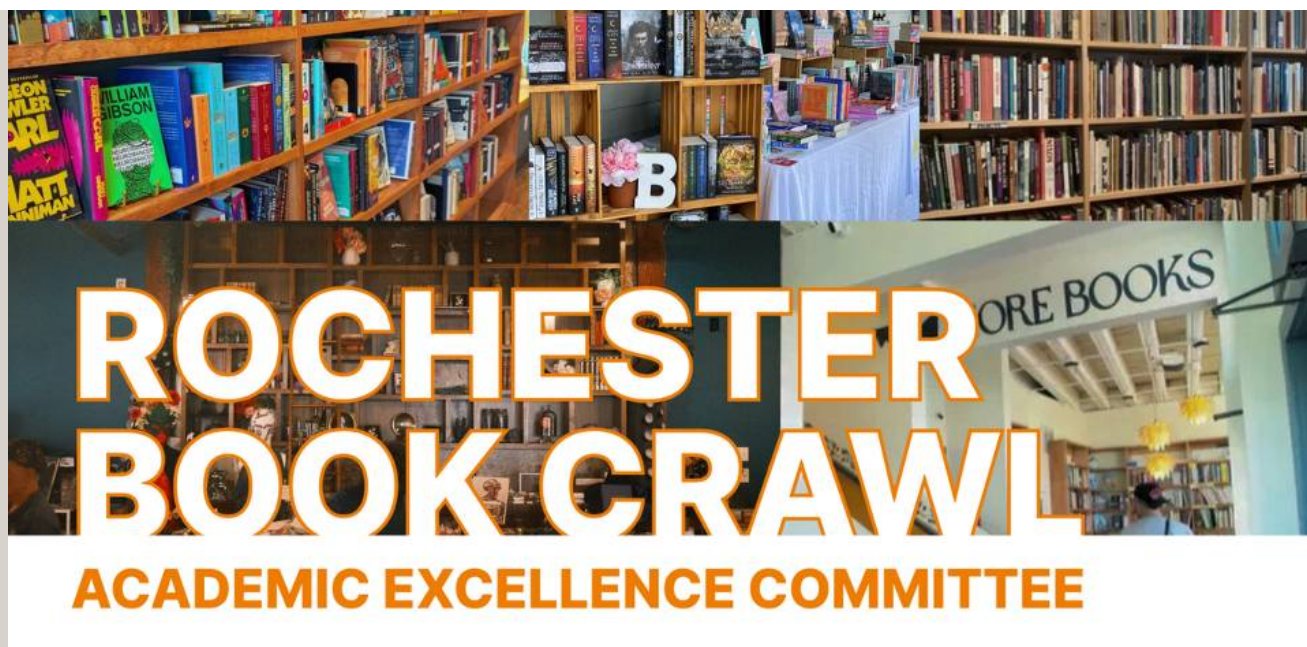
Led by our Internal Admission Orientation Mentors (past internal admit students themselves), the newest members of the program worked and learned together at their tables, generating camaraderie and community and setting the groundwork for success in the program. If you have the opportunity to connect with one of our fall '25 internal admits please help to build on that foundation with a warm Honors welcome and an offer of support or guidance.

Please check out all the upcoming opportunities and program updates below. We hope to see you at one of our upcoming events, and as always, please reach out with any questions or thoughts.

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Rochester Book Crawl With AEC!

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.

The crawl starts at 11:00am with carpooling to downtown, and there will be time for a quick lunch. It's 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 starting at 11:00am

Complete your punch card to win a fun prize!

Register for the Rochester Book Crawl With AEC



11th Annual Honors Research & Creativity Symposium

Honors Research & Creativity Symposium

Start Submitting Your Abstracts & Posters!

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

Your intent to Present and Abstracts are due on Sunday, Nov. 7 @11:59 PM

[Submit your Intent to Present & Abstract Here](#)

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 two weeks on Monday, 11/17 at 4:30 pm.

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

Attendees will receive complementary learning hours for attending the Symposium!

Updates & Announcements



11/05 Veterans Day Card Making - TONIGHT!

Veterans Day is quickly approaching on 11/11. The Service & Leadership Committee is hosting a card making event to make cards to honor those who have served in the US military. These cards will be given out to veterans at the **Veteran's Day Breakfast** on 11/07. Come decorate a card (or 10) to give back to those who have dedicated their time and hard work to serving others!

Please feel free to bring a non-Honors friend - all are welcome and there will be snacks!

11/05 from 5:00-6:00pm
SAU 1510 (1829 Room)

We are also looking for volunteers to attend the Veterans Day Breakfast to represent Honors and hand out the cards. Free breakfast will be provided.

11/07 from 8:00-10:00am
RIT Gordon Fieldhouse

Both events are approved for complementary learning.

Register for Veterans Day Card Making

Register for the Veterans Day Breakfast



11/07 Trivia Honors Hour

Back by popular demand, trivia Honors Hours is this Friday!

Prizes will include Honors backpacks and Stanley keychains - so make sure to build a strong team when you arrive!

As always, pizza and drinks will be provided. Feel free to register on CampusGroups, or just stop by!

11/07 from 11:30am-12:30pm
SAU 1510 (1829 room)

Register for 11/07
Trivia Honors Hour



COLA HONORS GAME NIGHT

11/11 COLA Honors Game Night

Calling all College of Liberal Arts Honors students, COLA Honors is hosting a game night!

Join COLA Honors for a night of board and card games and Dancing With the Stars watching.

This is a come-and-go event, so stop by when you can and bring a non-COLA Honors friend.

There will be catering by Chipotle!

11/11 from 6:00-10:00pm
LBR 2233 (COLA Student Lounge)

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](#)

11/08: RIT Nature Trails Clean-Up



Clean Up Our Campus!

Do you love the RIT Nature Trails and want to help care for the precious natural resources on campus? Look no further because RIT Sustainability has organized a nature trails clean-up and care day right here at RIT.

Volunteers will help clean up the trails by picking up litter, clearing debris, and encouraging designated trail use. Sign up today and do your part in contributing to a healthier and more sustainable campus!

Closed-toe shoes and long pants are required. Long-sleeve shirts are encouraged. Tools, gloves, eye protection, and snacks will be provided.

Volunteers can stay for the whole time or just stop by!

11/08 from 1:00-3:00pm

Meet at the table behind the August Center (Student Health Center)

[Register for 11/08 Nature Trail Clean-Up](#)

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