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APPLICATION
FOR FRESHMAN ADMISSION

Please refer to the application timetable below to determine when you should file your application, based upon your applicant status and desired entry term. If you have any questions about the application process, please call the Undergraduate Admissions Office at 585-475-6631, or the NTID Office of Admissions at 585-475-6700, toll free in the U.S. and Canada at 866-644-6843, or by videophone at 585-743-1366. You may return your application form in the enclosed envelope, but keep the application timetable and instructions (pages 1 through 2) for future reference.

Application Timetable

Applicant Status	Entry Term	Application Deadline	Notification Date
Freshman– <i>Early Decision</i>	Fall Semester	Submit application, test scores, and transcript by November 15 (postmarked)	Early Decision notifications begin mid-December and continue through mid-January.
Freshman– <i>Regular Decision</i>	Fall Semester	Submit application, test scores, and transcript by January 15 (postmarked)	Regular Decision notifications begin mid-February and continue through mid-March.
Freshman– <i>Regular Decision</i>	Fall Semester	After January 15*: Applications reviewed on a space-available basis.	Notification 4–6 weeks after all documents received.
Freshman	Spring Semester or Summer Term	Applications received on a rolling basis, but priority will be given to those applications received by November 1.	Notification 4–6 weeks after all documents received.

* Applicants should submit the application and academic records by January 15 to be considered for merit-based scholarships and the RIT Honors program.

Freshman Application Checklist

Item	Mailed or Given to	Date Completed
Application and \$65 Fee (or fee waiver)	Undergraduate Admissions Office	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Secondary School Transcript Request	College Counselor at your school	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Audiological Form** for all deaf and hard-of-hearing students	NTID Admissions Office	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Request that required admission test scores be sent to RIT (SAT Code #2760, ACT Code #2870)	College Counselor, College Entrance Examination Board (SAT), or ACT	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Art Portfolio (if required)***	Submit digitally via SlideRoom at rit.slideroom.com or mail to Undergraduate Admissions Office.	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
(Candidates applying for need-based financial aid must also file Federal FAFSA form. RIT federal code #002806.)	Federal Processor	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

** All deaf and hard-of-hearing students must submit the RIT Audiological Form or an unaided audiogram completed within the last three years from a certified audiologist in order for their application to be considered for the federally supported tuition rate.

*** Please see instructions on page 2 for submitting your portfolio digitally.

Application Instructions

Apply Online: admissions.rit.edu

Applicant Status

You should apply to RIT as a *freshman* if you are currently in secondary school or have graduated from secondary school but have not yet attended college. Special information regarding admission as an Early Decision freshman, NTID, or HEOP candidate is provided below. Students who have attended any college **after graduating** from secondary school should apply using RIT's Application for Transfer Admission.

Early Decision Plan

If you're applying to RIT as a freshman and have identified RIT as your *first-choice* college, you may want to apply for an early review of your application through our Early Decision Plan.

To apply for Early Decision, you should check the appropriate box in the Applicant Status section of your application and return your completed form along with all supporting credentials (including transcripts, SAT or ACT scores, and recommendation) by **November 15** in order to have your Early Decision notification mailed by mid-January. Students who select RIT as their first-choice college after November 15 should contact the Undergraduate Admissions Office to discuss consideration options.

Under the Early Decision Plan, if you are admitted to RIT in your first-choice major and choose to enroll at RIT, you must submit a \$300 acceptance of admission deposit by February 1 and withdraw your applications with all other colleges/universities at that time.

Early Decision candidates who are not accepted will, in most cases, be asked to submit midyear senior grades and will be reviewed a second time as part of the Regular Decision group of applicants. Candidates who are accepted to an alternate (second- or third-choice) major may request to be released from the conditions of the Early Decision Plan.

Early Decision candidates should submit a FAFSA by December 1.

Regular Decision Plan

Most applications for admission to RIT are reviewed under our Regular Decision Plan.

Under this plan, freshman applicants for fall semester (August) entry who have provided *all* required application materials by **January 15** will have their admission notification mailed by mid-March. Freshmen who apply for fall semester admission after February 1 are notified of admission decisions on a space-available basis four to six weeks after their application is complete. Candidates who submit their applications and academic records by January 15 will be considered for RIT's merit-based scholarship programs and the RIT Honors program.

All freshman applications for spring semester or summer term entry are reviewed on a rolling basis, with notification letters mailed four to six weeks after the application is complete. All

applications filed by international students are also reviewed and notified on a rolling basis.

Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Applicants

Deaf and hard-of-hearing students may apply for admission to programs offered at the National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID) or to any other college of RIT. *Whether you are applying to an NTID program or a program in any other RIT college, you should check the appropriate box in the Applicant Status section of the application and submit the RIT Audiological Form or an unaided audiogram completed within the last three years from a certified audiologist in order to receive the federally supported tuition rate for deaf and hard-of-hearing students.*

New York State Arthur O. Eve Higher Education Opportunity Program

The Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP) provides educationally and financially disadvantaged residents of New York state with access to independent colleges and universities throughout the state by providing special academic support services and financial assistance.

New York state residents who wish to be considered for admission through HEOP should check the box for HEOP admission in the Applicant Status section. HEOP candidates must submit a FAFSA by January 15 to determine HEOP eligibility. *Please contact our HEOP Office at 585-475-2506 to discuss HEOP financial eligibility guidelines.*

HEOP admission is available only to students who have not previously attended college, or to transfer students who were part of their previous college's EOP or HEOP program. Candidates are encouraged to request a waiver of the normally required \$65 application fee if needed.

International Applicants

International students may apply online, use this application form, or use RIT's International Student Application. Students whose native language is not English must submit results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) examination, or an equivalent to be reviewed by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. International applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. However, because space is limited in some programs, it is best to apply well in advance of the semester in which you are interested in beginning your studies.

It is recommended that you apply

- by January 15 for fall semester or summer term
- by November 1 for spring semester

International applicants who are deaf or hard-of-hearing should check the appropriate box in the Applicant Status section of the application and submit an audiological record in order to qualify for educational access and support services provided through NTID.

Program Selection

When you apply for admission to RIT, you are asked to select a specific major as part of our admission process. This is important because we offer a variety of majors, and admission requirements may differ from one program to another. In this section, you will select the major you want to study at RIT. *The majors are listed on pages 3 and 4. Please refer to this list when indicating your program choice.*

If you do not meet the requirements for admission to your first-choice major, or if that major has filled all available spaces, you will not be offered admission to that major. You may, however, be offered admission to a second- or third-choice alternate major if you have selected one. Applicants who choose alternate majors from different colleges within RIT are more likely to be admitted to one of their chosen majors.

Undecided?

If you do not feel ready to select a specific major, you may apply for admission to one of the “undeclared option” programs offered by several RIT colleges, or choose the **University Exploration** program if your interests span more than one RIT college.

University Exploration Option

If you have interests that span two or more of our colleges, our broadest and most flexible option, the **University Exploration option** (offered by the Division of Academic Affairs), allows you up to one year of course work to explore and focus your academic and career interests.

Undeclared Options

If your primary interests fall within a specific college, but you are unsure of your specific major, many colleges offer Undeclared Options. These college-based options help you discover more about your specific interests within the majors offered by the college.

- **Undeclared Art and Design**
- **Business Exploration**
- **Computing Exploration**
- **Undeclared Crafts**
- **Engineering Exploration**
- **Undeclared Engineering Technology**
- **Liberal Arts Exploration**
- **Undeclared Photography**
- **Science Exploration**

Academic Transcripts

This application packet includes a Secondary School Transcript Request Form. You should take this form to your high school guidance office to be completed and returned to RIT with an official copy of your transcript in a sealed school envelope.

Portfolio Requirements

All students applying for admission to the School of Art, the School for American Crafts, or the School of Design must submit an art portfolio for consideration. The portfolio should consist of 10 to 20 pieces of the student’s best work. *Please review the portfolio instructions available at <http://cias.rit.edu/prospective-students/portfolio-guide>.*

Students who wish to make special arrangements to show their art portfolio while visiting campus should contact the Undergraduate Admissions Office. Applicants who are deaf or hard of hearing should contact NTID Admissions.

Required Admission Tests (RIT SAT Code #2760, RIT ACT Code #2870)

All freshman applicants must submit results from the SAT Reasoning Test (SAT-I) of the College Board or ACT assessment scores from the ACT Testing Program. Applicants should have the testing agency send SAT or ACT scores directly to RIT or have scores included on their high school transcript. RIT will accept results from any test date, and ACT or SAT examinations are equally acceptable for admission consideration. The ACT’s optional writing test is recommended but not required for those students who choose the ACT. International students whose native language is not English must submit results of the TOEFL or IELTS and are encouraged to also submit SAT or ACT results if available.

Honors Program Admission

Prospective students begin the Honors program admission process by submitting RIT’s Application for Undergraduate Admission along with secondary school transcripts and SAT or ACT scores. These materials must be submitted no later than November 15 for Early Decision and January 15 for Regular Decision. Applications postmarked by those dates are reviewed by the Undergraduate Admissions Office to select a limited number of candidates who are then admitted to the Honors program.

Important Email Instructions

Providing us with a correct and current email address is important. Email is how we most often communicate with you throughout the application process. We recommend that you add undergrad_admissions@rit.edu and admissions@rit.edu to your address book and remove any spam blockers that may obstruct our email, and that you frequently check the email address provided.

Undergraduate Day Majors and Options

Division of Academic Affairs

- Applied Arts and Sciences
- University Exploration

College of Applied Science and Technology

- Hospitality and Tourism Management

School of Engineering Technology

- Undeclared Engineering Technology Option*
- Civil Engineering Technology*
- Computer Engineering Technology*
- Computer Engineering Technology–Audio Option*
- Computer Engineering Technology–Telecommunications Option*
- Electrical Engineering Technology*
- Electrical Engineering Technology–Audio Option*
- Electrical Engineering Technology–Telecommunications Option*
- Electrical/Mechanical Engineering Technology*
- Environmental Sustainability, Health and Safety
- Manufacturing Engineering Technology*
- Mechanical Engineering Technology*
- Packaging Science

* Please note that the engineering technology degree programs offered in RIT's College of Applied Science and Technology differ in focus and entrance requirements from programs offered in RIT's College of Engineering. Please review admission materials for additional information before choosing your program.

Saunders College of Business

- Business Exploration Option
- Accounting
- Finance
- International Business
- Management
- Management Information Systems
- Marketing
- New Media Marketing
- Supply Chain Management†

B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences

- Computing Exploration Option*
- Computer Science
- Computing and Information Technologies
- Computing Security
- Game Design and Development
- Human-Centered Computing
- New Media Interactive Development
- Software Engineering
- Web and Mobile Computing

* For students deciding among computer science, computing and information technologies, computing security, human-centered computing, new media interactive development, software engineering, and web and mobile computing.

Kate Gleason College of Engineering

- Engineering Exploration Option
- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Electrical Engineering–Clean and Renewable Energy Option
- Electrical Engineering–Computer Engineering Option
- Electrical Engineering–Robotics Option
- Electrical Engineering–Wireless Communications Option
- Industrial Engineering
- Industrial Engineering–Ergonomics Option
- Industrial Engineering–Lean Six Sigma Option
- Industrial Engineering–Manufacturing Option
- Industrial Engineering–Supply Chain Management Option
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering–Aerospace Option
- Mechanical Engineering–Automotive Option
- Mechanical Engineering–Bioengineering Option
- Mechanical Engineering–Energy & Environment Option
- Microelectronic Engineering

College of Health Sciences and Technology

- Biomedical Sciences
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Ultrasound) (BS)
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Certificate)
- Exercise Science
- Nutrition Management
- Nutritional Sciences
- Physician Assistant (BS/MS)

College of Imaging Arts and Sciences

School of Art

- Undeclared Art & Design Option♦
- Fine Arts Studio♦
- Illustration♦
- Medical Illustration♦

School of Design

- Undeclared Art & Design Option♦
- 3D Digital Design♦
- Graphic Design♦
- Industrial Design♦
- Interior Design♦
- New Media Design♦

School for American Crafts

- Undeclared Crafts Option♦
- Ceramics♦
- Furniture Design♦
- Glass♦
- Metals and Jewelry Design♦
- Woodworking (AOS)♦

School of Film & Animation

- Film and Animation
 - Animation Option
 - Production Option
- Motion Picture Science

School of Media Sciences

- Media Arts and Technology

School of Photographic Arts & Sciences

- Undeclared Photography Option
- Photographic and Imaging Arts
 - Advertising Photography Option
 - Fine Art Photography Option
 - Photojournalism Option
 - Visual Media Option
- Photographic Sciences
 - Biomedical Photographic Communications Option
 - Imaging and Photographic Technology Option

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♦ A portfolio is required for admission.

† Pending New York state approval

College of Liberal Arts

- Liberal Arts Exploration Option
- Advertising & Public Relations
- Applied Modern Language and Culture†
- Communication
- Criminal Justice
- Digital Humanities and Social Sciences
- Economics
- International and Global Studies
- Journalism
- Museum Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Policy
- Sociology and Anthropology

Prelaw Studies*

National Technical Institute for the Deaf

- American Sign Language-English Interpretation (BS)
(See additional program listings below)

College of Science

- Science Exploration Option
- Applied Mathematics
- Applied Statistics and Actuarial Science
- Biochemistry
- Bioinformatics
- Biology
- Biotechnology and Molecular Bioscience
- Chemistry
- Computational Mathematics
- Environmental Science
- Imaging Science
- Physics

Premedical/Preoptometry/Pre dental/Preveterinary Studies*

* Preprofessional advising programs are open to all undergraduate students regardless of their major.

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National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID)

Baccalaureate Programs

Deaf and hard-of-hearing students seeking freshman or transfer admission to RIT's day undergraduate programs should check the NTID access/support services box in the Applicant Status section of the application and indicate their desired program title from those listed in the section above.

Interpreting Program

- American Sign Language-English Interpretation—BS degree

Pre-baccalaureate Programs

- Engineering Technology Pre-baccalaureate
- Liberal Arts Pre-baccalaureate
- Science Pre-baccalaureate
- Visual Communications Pre-baccalaureate

Career Exploration Studies

- Career Exploration/Undecided

Associate+Bachelor's Degree Programs**

- Accounting Technology
- Administrative Support Technology
- Applied Computer Technology
- Applied Liberal Arts
- Applied Mechanical Technology
- Business
- Civil Technology

- Hospitality and Service Management
- Laboratory Science Technology
- Mobile Application Development
- 3D Graphics Technology

Career-Focused Associate Degree Programs

- Accounting Technology
- Administrative Support Technology
- Applied Computer Technology
- Business Technology
- Computer Aided Drafting Technology
- Computer Integrated Machining Technology
- Design and Imaging Technology
- Laboratory Science Technology
- Mobile Application Development
- 3D Graphics Technology

** Applied Computer Technology AS degree and Mobile Application Development AAS degree provide for enrollment in RIT's College of Computing and Information Sciences. Applied Liberal Arts AS degree provides for enrollment in RIT's College of Liberal Arts. Business AS degree provides for enrollment in RIT's Saunders College of Business. Applied Mechanical Technology AAS, Civil Technology AAS, and Hospitality and Service Management AS degrees provide for enrollment in RIT's College of Applied Science and Technology. 3D Graphics Technology AAS degree provides for enrollment in RIT's College of Imaging Arts and Sciences. Accounting Technology AAS and Administrative Support Technology AAS degrees provide for enrollment in RIT's School of Individualized Study. Laboratory Science Technology AAS degree provides for enrollment in RIT's College of Science or School of Individualized Study.

Part Time, Evening Majors

Most undergraduate degree programs can be completed part time. The following programs can be completed entirely in the evening.

School of Individualized Study

- Applied Arts & Sciences—diploma
- Applied Arts & Sciences—AAS, BS

Citizenship

Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes No Permanent Resident

Will you need a visa form (I-20 or DS2019) issued by RIT? Yes No (If you have a visa, indicate type: _____)

Citizenship (if not U.S.) _____ Country of Birth _____

Educational Data

Please list below any schools you have previously attended and any you are currently attending, indicating the most recent school first. Freshman applicants should also provide test scores and senior year classes as requested below.

High School(s) Attended

CEEB Code (if known)	Name and Address of High School	Starting Month/Year	Ending Month/Year	Date of Graduation
	1			
			to	
	2			
			to	
	3			
			to	

Senior Year Classes

Please list any academic classes you are taking this year.

First Semester or Trimester	Second Semester or Trimester	Third Trimester (if applicable)

Test Scores

Indicate the date you plan on taking required admission tests. If you have already taken a test, indicate your score.

Test Type (SAT, ACT, TOEFL, or IELTS)	Test Scores	Date Taken	OR	Date to be Taken

College(s) Attended

Please provide information below and review academic transcript requirements on page 2.

CEEB Code (if known)	Name and College and Major Field (Including RIT)	Starting Month/Year	Ending Month/Year	Degrees Received
	1			
			to	
	2			
			to	
	3			
			to	

Honors

Briefly list any academic honors you have received since the 9th grade or international equivalent (e.g., National Merit, Cum Laude Society).

Grade Level					Honor	Level of Recognition (School, State/Regional, National, International)
9	10	11	12	PG		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

School and Community Activities

Please list the activities in which you have been most involved. Include years participated, leadership positions, and if you plan to participate in a similar activity at RIT. Attach an additional page if necessary.

Grade Level					Activity	Hours per Week	Weeks per Year	Positions Held, Honors Received	Participate at RIT?
9	10	11	12	PG					
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Work Experience

Please list paid or volunteer work experience you have had, dates of employment, and the number of hours per week you worked.

Employer	Position	Dates of Employment	Hours/Week

Personal Conduct

Have you ever been subjected to disciplinary action by any school, college, or university, or convicted of a violation of any state or federal law, other than a minor traffic violation? Yes If yes, explain fully on an attached sheet. No

Personal Statement

Please attach your essay to the last page on a separate sheet(s). You *must* put your full name, date of birth, and name of secondary school *on each sheet*.

This brief statement helps to personalize your application, allowing us to become better acquainted with you. Please choose one of the options listed below:

- State your reasons for aspiring to a career in your chosen area of academic interest.
- Write a brief essay indicating your main reasons for applying to RIT.
- Describe a significant experience or achievement that has special meaning to you.
- Provide a copy of an essay you have already written for a school assignment (any subject).

Family Information

Relative	Full Name	Do You Live With?	Occupation	Education <small>(Please List Degrees and Name College Attended)</small>
Parent 1		<input type="checkbox"/>		
Parent 2		<input type="checkbox"/>		
Brother or Sister		<input type="checkbox"/>		
Brother or Sister		<input type="checkbox"/>		
Spouse		<input type="checkbox"/>		

Parent 1 Home Address _____
(If different from yours) Number and Street City/Town State/Province Zip/Postal Code

Parent 1 Email Address _____ **Parent 1 Telephone** _____

Parent 2 Home Address _____
(If different from yours) Number and Street City/Town State/Province Zip/Postal Code

Parent 2 Email Address _____ **Parent 2 Telephone** _____

RIT Employment Are you an RIT employee or a dependent of an RIT employee? Yes No

RIT Alumni Did one or both of your parents, or any siblings, graduate from RIT? Yes No

RIT Students Please list names of family members currently attending RIT: _____

Deaf Family Members Please list family members who are deaf or hard of hearing: _____

Optional Information

The following questions are optional. Refusal to provide this information will not subject the applicant to any adverse treatment in the admission process. Any information provided will remain confidential.

If you wish to be identified with a particular ethnic or racial group, please indicate how you would describe yourself:

Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

Race (please select one or more):

Asian American Indian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White

Other surname used (on school transcripts, etc.): _____

Language spoken at home (if other than English): _____

Do you plan to apply for financial aid? Yes No

Are you interested in: Army ROTC? Navy ROTC? Air Force ROTC?

Have you enrolled in any Project Lead The Way courses in your high school? Yes No

What other colleges will you apply to this year? _____

Signature and Date

Signature _____ Date _____

My signature above indicates that all information provided in this application is complete, factually correct, and honestly prepared. I understand that any misrepresentation may result in refusal or cancellation of admission, or suspension from classes if discovered after I have commenced my studies at RIT.

