NATIONAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE FOR THE DEAF
Introduction

The National Technical Institute for the Deaf is one of nine colleges of Rochester Institute of Technology, a leading career-oriented, technological university recognized by “U.S. News & World Report” as one of America’s “Best College Values,” and by “The Princeton Review” as one of the top 20 colleges nationwide for “Best Career Services.” More than 15,700 undergraduate students from around the world, including more than 1,100 who are deaf or hard of hearing, come to campus every year to take advantage of the benefits of an RIT/NTID education.

The opportunities for deaf and hard-of-hearing students at RIT/NTID are unmatched by any university in the world. Career-focused programs that reflect the needs of today’s employers, work experience gained through the university’s cooperative education program, faculty who specialize in educating deaf and hard-of-hearing students, outstanding job placement rate, unparalleled access and support services, and a student-centered campus environment—all set RIT/NTID apart.

Students looking for a superior education and a truly unique college experience will find it here at RIT/NTID. But don’t just take our word for it. Take a close look and come visit, so you can see firsthand why RIT/NTID is the perfect place for you!
Career-Focused Associate Degree Programs
You may qualify for an associate degree in any of our state-of-the-art technical programs, taught by experienced faculty who provide you with hands-on training on industry-specific equipment. By the time you graduate, you’ll have the technical skills and knowledge to hit the ground running in your chosen field.

Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Programs
If you are interested in a bachelor’s degree, but aren’t ready to enter directly into one of RIT’s bachelor’s degree programs, you may qualify to enter an Associate+Bachelor's Degree Program and start on the road to academic success. These programs prepare you to earn an associate degree in an NTID program before enrolling in a bachelor’s degree program in one of the other colleges of RIT.

Pre-Baccalaureate Programs
If you’re interested in a bachelor’s degree program in the College of Art and Design, Kate Gleason College of Engineering, College of Health Sciences and Technology, College of Liberal Arts, or College of Science, but need to complete a small number of courses to qualify for admission, you may be eligible to enter a pre-baccalaureate program. All pre-baccalaureate programs are individualized, and planned with you and your academic adviser to help you prepare for your bachelor’s degree program.

Career Exploration Studies
If you want to collect additional information about associate degree careers and majors before deciding on a program of study, or if you need additional academic preparation and study to be ready for a major, Career Exploration Studies may be the right option for you.

This program offers you the opportunity to do a career search while you develop a better understanding of yourself with the help of career and personal counseling, take decision-making classes and sample various majors. A counselor/faculty adviser will work with you to assist you in evaluating information and making a career decision.

Bachelor’s Degree Programs
If you’re interested in and qualified for a bachelor’s degree program, you can pursue any of more than 90 exciting and challenging programs offered in the:

- College of Art and Design
- Saunders College of Business
- B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences
- Kate Gleason College of Engineering
- College of Engineering Technology
- College of Health Sciences and Technology
- College of Liberal Arts
- College of Science

For more information on programs within these colleges, visit rit.edu/academics. If you are unsure which college fits your interests, you may apply to enter the University Exploration option to explore different bachelor’s degree programs.

RIT/NTID is a remarkable place where innovative and creative academic opportunities prepare you for 21st century success. Each of our programs provides knowledge, technical skills and hands-on experience to give you a competitive advantage in today’s fastest growing professions.
An Accessible and Supportive Learning Environment

Access and Support Services

Career-Focused
Associate Degree Programs
If you take courses at NTID, faculty members will communicate directly with you using a variety of strategies, which may include sign language with voice, sign language without voice, spoken language (FM systems are available), fingerspelling, printed/visual aids, web-based instructional materials and individual tutoring.

In cases where a faculty member’s communication strategies do not appropriately meet your needs, you can request access services from the Department of Access Services for courses at NTID via the myaccess.rit.edu website.

As a student taking NTID courses, you will have access to a state-of-the-art learning center staffed by professional and peer tutors. An assigned counselor will work closely with you to help you plan your collegiate experience and provide you with personal, social, career and academic advising and counseling services.

Bachelor’s Degree Programs
If you qualify to take courses in the College of Art and Design, Saunders College of Business, B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences, Kate Gleason College of Engineering, College of Engineering Technology, College of Health Sciences and Technology, College of Liberal Arts, or College of Science, RIT/NTID will provide the educational access services you need.

You can choose from among sign language interpreting, FM systems, notetaking or real-time captioning services. Alternative services also may be provided.

You also will have access to a unique system of educational support services such as tutoring by experienced faculty tutors, personal and career counseling and academic advising.

Interpreting
RIT/NTID has the largest staff of professional sign language interpreters of any college program in the world. Last year, RIT/NTID provided more than 152,000 hours of interpreting services. In addition to classroom interpreting, you also may request interpreting services for non-academic activities such as athletic events, religious services, student government meetings, guest presentations and other student life activities.

Notetaking
Trained student notetakers record information during class or laboratory lectures, discussions and multimedia presentations. The resulting class notes are uploaded to the web, so you can easily access them. Last year, RIT/NTID provided more than 62,000 hours of notetaking services for students.

Real-Time Captioning Services
This service provides a comprehensive English text display of classroom lectures and discussion. Students read this text during class and may print it as a permanent record of classroom discussions.

Tutoring/Advising
Faculty tutors/advisers help answer your questions and clarify concepts and information taught in classes. They also provide academic advising, discuss programs and career goals with you, and help you plan your schedule, select classes and prepare for cooperative (co-op) work experiences.

Associate+Bachelor’s
Degree Programs
If you qualify for these programs, NTID instructors will use a variety of strategies to communicate directly with you in your courses. In cases where a faculty member’s communication strategies do not appropriately meet your needs, you can request access services from the Department of Access Services for courses at NTID via the myaccess.rit.edu website.

For courses in your program that are taught by faculty members in RIT’s eight mainstream colleges, you may request access services. In addition, you can take advantage of educational support such as tutoring by experienced faculty tutors, career counseling and academic advising.
# Associate and Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Programs

**Career-Focused Associate Degree Programs**

Career-focused programs offered through NTID lead to the Associate in Occupational Studies degree or the Associate in Applied Science. Upon graduation, these programs lead to immediate entry into well-paying careers at the paraprofessional or technician level.

**Associate in Occupational Studies (AOS):**

This degree requires 45-52 semester credit hours of technical coursework. In addition to satisfactorily completing technical courses, you must complete 15 semester credit hours in the NTID general education curriculum.

**Associate in Applied Science (AAS):**

This degree requires 48-52 semester credit hours of technical coursework. In addition to satisfactorily completing technical courses, you must complete 18 semester credit hours in general education courses offered primarily through the College of Liberal Arts as well as six semester credit hours in mathematics and science. In some programs (see chart above), this degree prepares you to apply for entry to bachelor’s degree programs in other RIT colleges.

**Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Programs**

These associate degree programs prepare qualified students to enroll in bachelor’s degree programs in other RIT colleges.

**Associate in Science (AS) and selected Associate in Applied Science (AAS):** These degrees require the completion of 30-31 semester credit hours of technical coursework and 30-32 semester credit hours in general education courses and other courses as appropriate to the degree. The majority of courses are offered through the other colleges of RIT. These degrees prepare you to enter and complete a bachelor’s degree program in Saunders College of Business, B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences, College of Engineering Technology, or College of Liberal Arts.

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NTID’s Department of Science and Mathematics provides you with a unique education that reflects the current trends in the application of science and mathematics in the professional world while preparing you for career opportunities in business, industry and government or for graduate school. You get unmatched opportunities for hands-on learning, using some of the most sophisticated classroom and laboratory equipment available anywhere.

Laboratory Science Technology (AOS and AAS Degree Programs and Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Option)

You can earn an AOS or AAS degree, and you will be well qualified to take your place in the lab science environment. If you earn an AAS degree, you have the option of beginning your career after graduation or continuing on for a bachelor’s degree if qualified. If you maintain a 3.0 or higher grade-point average, you have several options from which to choose. You can enroll in RIT’s School of Individualized Study and complete a bachelor’s degree in applied arts and science. Or you can enroll in RIT’s College of Science and complete a bachelor’s degree in biology, biochemistry, biotechnology & molecular bioscience, chemistry or environmental science. Qualified LST students also have continued their education in other majors in RIT’s College of Science and College of Health Sciences and Technology upon completion of the LST program. The length of time required to obtain a bachelor’s degree upon completion of the AAS program and the number of credits transferred from the LST curriculum vary by major.

General Science (Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Program)

The AS in General Science prepares you to enter and successfully complete a bachelor’s degree in specific degree programs in RIT’s College of Science or College of Health Sciences and Technology. In the College of Science, you can choose to complete your bachelor’s degree in biochemistry, biology, chemistry or environmental science. In the College of Health Sciences and Technology, you can complete your bachelor’s degree in biomedical sciences. Depending on which bachelor’s degree program you select upon completion of your associate degree, you’ll be prepared for a variety of entry-level jobs related to your major. Qualified students also may go on to enroll in graduate or professional school upon completion of the bachelor’s degree.

Employers who have hired RIT/NTID students in these programs: Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics, National Institutes of Health, Stanford University, Rochester General Hospital, Tufts University, Eli Lilly Pharmaceuticals, Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Kodak, Monroe County Medical Examiner’s Office, Novartis Pharmaceuticals, and University of Rochester.

Typical Courses

Laboratory Science Technology
• Fundamentals of Biology
• Fundamentals of Chemistry
• Analytical Chemistry
• Quantitative Instrumental Analysis
• Biotechnology
• Principles of Organic Chemistry
• Laboratory Methods
• Chemical Separations and Chromatography

General Science
• General & Analytical Chemistry
• General Biology
• Calculus
• Human Anatomy and Physiology
• University Physics
• Cellular and Molecular Biology

Franly Ulerio Nunez
New York, N.Y.
“What I love most about this major is the hands-on experience I get working in the laboratory and learning how to use the same instrumentation that I will find in a lab out in the real world,” he says. Franly earned an associate degree in laboratory science technology and now is pursuing a bachelor’s degree in biochemistry in RIT’s College of Science. Franly’s goal is to go to veterinary school.
Our Business Studies Department provides challenging, high-quality programs designed to give you the skills you need for success in your career. Business programs respond to industry’s need for people skilled in operating office equipment, maintaining financial records, performing administrative duties and using computers.

**Accounting Technology (AAS Degree Program and Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Option)**

The accounting technology program offers you an AAS degree that will prepare you for a career in accounting-related occupations. You’ll learn the functions of the complete accounting cycle for service, merchandising and manufacturing businesses. As a graduate of the accounting technology program, you’ll use computers to maintain and reconcile various financial records, verify business records, and perform other clerical and administrative duties.

You may choose the Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Program in accounting technology, provided you maintain a 2.5 or higher grade-point average in the program. Upon successful completion of your associate degree, you will enroll into RIT’s School of Individualized Study, where you can pursue a bachelor’s degree in applied arts and science.

**Business Administration (AAS Degree Program and Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Option)**

The business administration program offers you an AAS degree that will prepare you for a career in general business operations. You’ll learn the fundamentals of business planning, interpersonal skills and communication skills needed to succeed on the job. You’ll also receive leadership training in addition to becoming proficient in the use of computer software applications necessary to succeed in the business world. This degree is for students interested in the fields of marketing, sales, retail, advertising, banking, management, human resources, hospitality and other related fields. As a graduate of the business administration program, you’ll be prepared for entry-level employment in business.

You may choose the Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Program in business administration, provided you maintain a 2.5 or higher grade-point average in the program. Upon successful completion of your associate degree, you will enroll into RIT’s School of Individualized Study, where you can pursue a bachelor’s degree in applied arts and science.
Mia White, Littleton, Colo.
Mia’s love of math and interacting with people led her to choose the Associate+Bachelor’s Degree program in business. “RIT offers the best of both worlds—hearing and deaf, has excellent academics and offers a strong athletics program,” says Mia. She is a member of the RIT women’s varsity soccer team, and enjoys being a student-athlete at RIT.

Business (Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Option)
The AS degree in business is a program designed to prepare you to enter and successfully complete a bachelor’s degree program in RIT’s Saunders College of Business, which offers a portfolio of comprehensive programs of study designed to prepare students for leadership in the business environment. You can choose to complete your bachelor’s degree in accounting, finance, management, supply chain management, international business, new media marketing, management information systems or marketing. Saunders College of Business is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International, the premier accrediting organization for business schools.

Business Technology (AOS Degree Program)
The business technology AOS degree program will prepare you for immediate employment upon graduation and includes technical course work in accounting, computers, payroll, general office skills and word processing/information processing skills. You can elect to complete a sequence of courses that provide either an accounting technology or administrative support technology concentration.

As a graduate of the business technology program, you’ll be well qualified for jobs as an office clerk, accounts receivable/payable clerk, payroll records clerk, word processing technician, cost accounting clerk or microcomputer accounting clerk.

Typical Courses

Accounting Technology
- Fundamentals of Spreadsheet Applications
- Accounting I, II, III & Capstone
- Applied Ethics
- Fundamentals of Database Applications
- Fundamentals of Marketing & Management
- Introduction to Economics

Administrative Support Technology
- Essentials of Business Communication
- Essential, Advanced, & Integrated Document Production
- Fundamentals of Spreadsheet Applications
- Fundamentals of Graphic Applications
- Fundamentals of Database Applications
- Essentials of Human Resource Management

Business
- World of Business and Innovation
- Financial Accounting & Managerial Accounting
- Communication
- Principles of Microeconomics & Macroeconomics
- Principles of Marketing
- Computer-Based Analysis

Business Administration
- Essentials of Human Resource Management
- Fundamentals of Management
- Orientation to Business
- Business Law
- Leadership Essentials

Business Technology
- Fundamentals of Spreadsheet Applications
- Essential, Advanced, & Integrated Document Production
- Fundamentals of Database Applications
- Fundamentals of Marketing & Management
- Essentials of Business Communication
- Applied Ethics

Employers who have hired RIT/NTID students in these programs: Yahoo, Courtyard Marriott, Bank of New York Mellon, Paychex, Datrose, Bausch & Lomb, Federal Aviation Administration, U.S. Agency for International Development, Wegmans, NAVAIR, Dow Chemical Co., and Lockheed Martin.
RIT/NTID’s engineering and engineering technology programs combine classroom and laboratory learning in technical areas with a cooperative work experience to give you an exceptional engineering education. By studying in state-of-the-art facilities and working with industry-standard equipment, you’ll enter the workforce prepared to make an impact your first day on the job.

Computer-Aided Drafting Technology (AOS and AAS Degree Programs)
The computer-aided drafting technology program will prepare you for a rewarding career as a CAD technician. The CADT program provides you with the skills to create two- and three-dimensional drawings on the computer to visually represent buildings, bridges, canals and houses.

You can earn an AOS or AAS degree in the CADT program. Either way you’ll be well qualified to take your place in the architectural, engineering or construction (AEC) industries. In addition to a strong emphasis on computer-aided drafting, the program gives you a background in mathematics, building systems, construction regulations, site utilities, and materials and methods used in the architecture, engineering and construction industries.

Computer-Integrated Machining Technology (AOS Degree Program)
The AOS degree in computer-integrated machining technology will prepare you for a career in precision machining and/or precision optics manufacturing. As a graduate of the CIMT program, you will be well prepared for jobs such as a computer numerical control operator or CNC programmer trainee, or you may specialize as a tool and die maker, instrument maker, mold maker or manufacturer of optical elements. Graduates are successfully employed in both large manufacturing corporations and small contract manufacturing shops.

People who work in the computer-integrated machining technology field set up and operate lathes, milling machine tools, grinders, polishers, and computer numerical controlled machine tools; shape material into precision parts by conventional and nonconventional processes; follow blueprints; and use advanced measuring techniques to inspect work.
Rachel Viacava
Cincinnati, Ohio
“I love math and solving problems, and I like using my hands and fixing things,” says Rachel. “There are many people in my family with engineering and technical backgrounds, and I guess the proficiency gene was passed along to me,” she adds. Rachel earned an associate degree in computer-integrated machining technology and is pursuing a bachelor’s degree in manufacturing engineering in RIT’s College of Engineering with a goal of working in the metal manufacturing industry.

Applied Mechanical Technology (Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Program)
The AAS in applied mechanical technology prepares you to enter and successfully complete a bachelor’s degree program in RIT’s College of Engineering Technology in manufacturing or mechanical engineering technology. As a student in the applied mechanical technology program, you receive a comprehensive foundation in fundamentals of engineering, materials technology, manufacturing processing, computer-aided design applications (i.e., solid works and MatLab), strength of materials and machine design.

Civil Technology (Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Program)
The AAS in civil technology prepares you to enter and successfully complete a bachelor’s degree program in civil engineering technology in RIT’s College of Engineering Technology. As a student in the civil technology program, you receive a comprehensive foundation in engineering graphics, computer-aided design application, construction materials and methods, surveying, statistics, strength of materials and elements of building construction.

Typical Courses

Computer-Aided Drafting Technology
- Computing Tools for Engineering Technology
- Engineering Graphics in AEC
- Civil Technology Graphics
- Construction CAD I, II, III
- Advanced Construction CAD
- Data Collection and Analysis
- Construction Materials and Methods I & II
- GIS Fundamentals
- Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing Systems
- Principles of Structural Systems
- Presentation Graphics

Computer-Integrated Machining Technology
- Computer-Integrated Machining Technology I, II, III, IV, V
- Computer Numerical Control (CNC) I, II
- Precision Measurement
- Blueprint Reading I, II
- Precision Optics Manufacturing I
- Precision Grinding

Applied Mechanical Technology
- Fundamentals of Engineering
- Manufacturing Processes
- Mechanical Design & Fabrication
- Mechanical Design & Fabrication Lab
- Foundations of Materials
- Foundations of Materials Lab
- Principles of Statics
- Strength of Materials

Civil Technology
- Civil Technology Graphics
- Construction Materials and Methods I
- Elements of Building Construction
- Engineering Graphics in AEC
- Principles of Statics
- Surveying and Surveying Lab

Employers who have hired RIT/NTID students in these programs: Merck, Rock Island Arsenal, The Bell Company, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Tufts University, General Electric Aviation, Department of Defense, New York State Department of Transportation, City of Los Angeles Bureau of Public Works, Federal Highway Administration, DeWolff Partnership Architects, and Peko Precision Products.
As a student in the Information and Computing Studies Department, you take courses to prepare you for careers that involve maintaining computer software and hardware, installing and maintaining computer networks and working with a variety of computer applications.

As a graduate, you’ll be well qualified to work as a computer technician, personal computer support specialist, network technician, network security technician, network administrator or mobile application developer.

Applied Computer Technology (AOS and AAS Degree Programs)

If you choose the AOS or AAS degree program, you’ll have the option of choosing to concentrate in either computer tech support or networking and cyber security.

Computer Tech Support
This concentration develops skills specific to working with people to solve their computer-related problems. These skills prepare you to work at a help desk and respond to clients’ computer problems, and perform setup, upgrades and repairs to computers and computer peripherals.

Networking and Cyber Security
As a student in this concentration, you develop skills specific to network and network security support, including server set-up, support and administration; network set-up, troubleshooting and repair; identifying and implementing security policies; and installing appropriate hardware and software to support a secure and robust network.

Applied Computer Technology (Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Program)

The AS in applied computer technology prepares you to enter and successfully complete a bachelor’s degree in computing and information technologies, web and mobile computing or human-centered computing within RIT’s B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences.

Mobile Application Development (AAS Degree Program and Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Program)

As a student in the AAS mobile application development program, you will be prepared for entry-level work in the software development industry with a focus on application design and development for mobile platforms. Qualified students can continue their education and enroll in RIT’s bachelor’s degree program in web and mobile computing.

Quoc Huynh, Highland, Calif.
Quoc has always been intrigued with how information technology affects the productivity of businesses, so he chose the applied computer technology program. “I can earn an associate degree and get a foundation in computing skills, so I can successfully continue on in a bachelor’s degree. My goal is to become the first member of my family to earn a college degree,” says Quoc.

Employers who have hired RIT/NTID students in these programs:
Students who pursue liberal arts as a major at RIT get an opportunity to study traditional liberal arts subjects within the framework of a comprehensive technological university and prepare for career success in a rapidly changing technological and multicultural world. Our liberal arts degree programs offer you several distinct advantages, including a strong focus on careers, a wide selection of professional courses, and an emphasis on critical thinking and problem solving.

Applied Liberal Arts (Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Program)
The AS in applied liberal arts prepares you to enter and successfully complete a bachelor’s degree in RIT’s College of Liberal Arts in one of these majors: advertising and public relations, communication, criminal justice, digital humanities and social sciences, economics, international global studies, journalism, museum studies, philosophy, political science, psychology, public policy, or sociology and anthropology.

Depending on which bachelor’s degree program you select upon completion of your associate degree, you’ll be prepared for a variety of entry-level jobs related to your major, including public relations specialist, writer/assistant editor, research assistant, corrections officer, urban and regional planner, museum technician, library assistant or archive assistant. Many of our graduates also go on to graduate schools.

Typical Courses
• Writing Seminar
• Introduction to Visual Arts
• Modern U.S. History
• Introduction to Psychology
• Introduction to Criminal Justice
• Science, Technology and Values
• Elementary Statistics

Employers who have hired RIT/NTID students in these programs: U.S. Census Bureau, Highmark, City of Chicago Mayor’s Office, University of Michigan, U.S. Department of State, Defense Supply Center, Altos Marketing Group, and “Democrat & Chronicle.”

Vicky Morel, Cornwall, N.Y.
Vicky chose applied liberal arts to provide the academic foundation to pursue a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice in RIT’s College of Liberal Arts. Her goal is to pursue a career in law or legal services. “This university is so much more than a campus. It’s a community that I truly feel a part of,” she says.
Andrew Smith
Chesterfield, Mo.
Andrew earned an associate degree in design and imaging technology and enrolled in the bachelor’s degree program in 3D Digital Design in RIT’s College of Art and Design. “I am very creative, and this major fits me well,” says Andrew. He chose RIT/NTID because he has the opportunity to socialize with deaf, hard-of-hearing and hearing students, and communicate easily with others. His goal is to become a professional animator.

P eople who work in the visual communications field are responsible for designing and producing print and web-based media for business, communication, publishing, manufacturing, advertising and entertainment. This is an exciting and fast-growing field that requires a variety of computer-based and traditional creative skills.

**Design and Imaging Technology (AOS and AAS Degree Programs)**
You may choose an AOS or AAS degree with a concentration in either graphic design or graphic production. Both degrees are career-focused, designed to prepare you for direct employment following graduation. As a graduate of the AAS degree program, you also may apply for admission to a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree program or a Bachelor of Science degree program in RIT’s College of Art and Design. With both AOS and AAS options, you’ll gain real-world work experience through our required cooperative education program. Depending on your specific concentration and elective course selection, you’ll use computer-based methods to produce drawings, layouts, illustrations and digital photographic images; prepare documents for print, web and digital distribution; produce interactive digital media; perform digital retouching and restoration of photographic images; design and produce websites; produce computer animations; and plan and produce short-edited videos.

**Graphic Design**
This concentration is for students with a creative aptitude and interest.

**Graphic Production**
This concentration is for students with a technical/production aptitude and interest.

**3D Graphics Technology (AAS Degree Program and Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Program)**
The 3D graphics technology program offers you an AAS degree that will provide you with the creative and technical skills required to produce 3D graphics, 3D prints, environmental renderings and 3D models used in multimedia and animation. You’ll be prepared for direct employment following graduation. You may choose the Associate+Bachelor’s Degree Program option, provided you have a 3.0 or higher grade-point average in the program and a strong portfolio. Upon successful completion of your associate degree, you can apply for admission into RIT’s College of Art and Design, where you can pursue a bachelor’s degree in 3D digital design.

**Typical Courses**

**Graphic Design Concentration**
- Core Courses and Electives*
  - Drawing I
  - Graphic Design & Typography II
  - Publication Design
  - Digital Illustration

**Graphic Production Concentration**
- Core Courses and Electives*
  - Digital Photography I
  - Image Preparation
  - Color Theory & Management
  - Specialty Graphics Imaging

**3D Graphics Technology**
- Basic 3D Modeling
- 3D Lighting and Materials
- Principles of 4D Design
- 3D Motion


**Employers who have hired RIT/NTID students in these programs:** Walt Disney Company, U.S. Bureau of Printing and Engraving, SWBR Architects, City of Los Angeles, “Washington Life Magazine,” Ohio Health, Pralid and University of California San Diego.
Bachelor’s Degree Programs

If you’re interested in and qualified for a bachelor’s degree program, you can pursue exciting and challenging majors offered in the College of Art and Design, Saunders College of Business, B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences, Kate Gleason College of Engineering, College of Engineering Technology, College of Health Sciences and Technology, College of Liberal Arts or College of Science. If you’re unsure which college fits your interests, you may apply to enter RIT’s University Exploration option to explore various bachelor’s degree programs.

College Key
- College of Art and Design
- Saunders College of Business
- B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences
- Kate Gleason College of Engineering
- College of Engineering Technology
- College of Health Sciences and Technology
- College of Liberal Arts
- National Technical Institute for the Deaf
- College of Science

§ Qualified deaf and hard-of-hearing students may enroll in RIT bachelor’s degree programs with full support of NTID’s access services.

Art, Design, & Crafts
- 3D Digital Design
- Graphic Design
- Illustration
- Industrial Design
- Interior Design
- Medical Illustration
- New Media Design
- Studio Arts—Ceramics Option
- Expanded Forms Option
- Furniture Design Option
- Glass Option
- Metals and Jewelry Design Option
- Non-Toxic Printmaking Option
- Painting Option
- Sculpture Option

Business & Management
- Accounting
- Economics
- Finance
- Hospitality and Tourism Management
- International Business
- Management
- Management Information Systems
- Marketing
- New Media Marketing
- Nutrition Management
- Supply Chain Management

Communications & Digital Media
- Advertising and Public Relations
- American Sign Language–English Interpretation
- Communication
- Digital Humanities and Social Sciences
- Journalism
- Media Arts and Technology
- New Media Design
- New Media Interactive Development
- New Media Marketing

Computing & Information Sciences
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Computing and Information Technologies
- Computing Security
- Game Design and Development
- Human-Centered Computing
- Management Information Systems
- New Media Interactive Development
- Software Engineering
- Web and Mobile Computing

Engineering & Engineering Technology
- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering Technology
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Engineering Technology—Audio Option
- Telecommunications Option
- Electrical Engineering—Clean and Renewable Energy Option
- Computer Engineering Option
- Robotics Option
- Electrical Engineering Technology—Audio Option
- Telecommunications Option
- Electrical/Mechanical Engineering Technology
- Industrial Engineering—Ergonomics Option
- Lean Six Sigma Option
- Manufacturing Option
- Supply Chain Management Option
- Manufacturing Engineering Technology
- Mechanical Engineering—Aerospace Option
- Automotive Option
- Bioengineering Option
- Energy and Environment Option
- Mechanical Engineering Technology
- Microelectronic Engineering
- Packaging Science
- Software Engineering

Environmental Studies
- Civil Engineering Technology
- Electrical Engineering—Clean and Renewable Energy Option
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Sustainability, Health and Safety

Health & Life Sciences
- Bioinformatics
- Biology
- Biomedical Sciences
- Biotechnology and Molecular Bioscience
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Ultrasound)
- Dietetics and Nutrition
- Exercise Science
- Medical Illustration
- Nutritional Sciences
- Photographic Sciences—Biomedical Photographic Communications Option
- Physician Assistant (BS/MS)
- Pre-professional (pre-med, pre-dental, pre-vet)

Humanities & Social Sciences
- Applied Modern Language and Culture
- Criminal Justice
- Digital Humanities and Social Sciences
- Economics
- International and Global Studies
- Museum Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Pre-law
- Psychology
- Public Policy
- Sociology and Anthropology

Individualized Study
- Applied Arts and Sciences

Mathematics & Physical Sciences
- Applied Mathematics
- Applied Statistics and Actuarial Science
- Biochemistry
- Chemistry
- Computational Mathematics
- Imaging Science
- Physics

Photography, Film, & Animation
- Film and Animation—Animation Option
- Production Option

Exploration & Undeclared Options
- University Exploration
- Undeclared Art and Design
- Business Exploration
- Computing Exploration
- Undeclared Crafts
- Engineering Exploration
- Engineering Technology Exploration
- Liberal Arts Exploration
- Undeclared Photography
- Science Exploration

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Today’s top employers are looking for ambitious graduates who have a high-quality academic background and enriching experiences outside the classroom. At RIT/NTID, you get both.

The necessary elements of a satisfying and rewarding educational experience are cutting-edge academic programs, outstanding faculty, and first-rate facilities—all of which you’ll find at RIT/NTID. But today’s world demands more.

To successfully face the challenges that await you upon graduation, you must prove your ability to tackle real-world problems and operate in real-world settings.

RIT/NTID’s career-focused programs offer hands-on experience through cooperative education (co-op). Co-op is full-time, paid work experience directly related to your course of study and career interests. In addition to gaining professional work experience and developing a critical network of contacts, co-op often is the best way to develop necessary business success skills—leadership, decision-making, communication, professionalism, flexibility and independence.

Last year, deaf and hard-of-hearing RIT/NTID students completed more than 300 co-op assignments with more than 200 employers across the United States.

NTID Center on Employment

While you work hard to develop skills that will prepare you for your career, employment specialists in the NTID Center on Employment travel coast to coast networking with employers to build relationships and educate them about the value of hiring deaf and hard-of-hearing co-op students and graduates. There isn’t another college in the world that works harder to build relationships with employers to ensure successful employment outcomes for you.

• You can enhance your job search preparation in a course in your major where you will receive assistance with resume writing, researching job opportunities, networking and interviewing.

• You are able to get valuable interviewing experience during practice job interviews conducted by faculty, staff and other community volunteers.

• The annual NTID Career Fair provides opportunities for you to network with employers.

• You get employment advising from NCE staff.

All of this support translates into career success. In fact, last year, 94% of our deaf and hard-of-hearing students who sought jobs after graduation found one within a year.
As an RIT/NTID student, you don’t have to leave campus for audiological and speech/language services. The Communication Studies and Services Department provides services and excellent collaborative educational programs through which you can broaden and/or strengthen your communication competencies.

Services are offered on both an appointment and walk-in basis, depending on availability. RIT/NTID audiologists and speech-language pathologists are certified by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and are specifically trained to work with deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals.

Audiology
The Audiology Center offers a variety of free services, including hearing tests, consultations, FM/Roger loans, speechreading and/or listening training, hearing aid and cochlear implant adjustments, troubleshooting, repairs and upgrades. An additional advantage is discounted pricing for new hearing aids and accessories. You also can purchase batteries, custom sound/swim plugs and earmolds and other supplies.

Speech/Language
The Speech & Language Center offers individualized services and can focus on a variety of areas such as speech intelligibility, grammar and technical/professional vocabulary and practice, communication strategies for work-related interactions/job interviews, presentation skill development and practice, and use of current mobile applications as communication tools. The Speech & Language Center offers equipment and software that provides visual feedback for production and facilitates conversational practice.
Engaging, Experienced Faculty

Our faculty have extensive experience in the classroom and in their professional fields. Their career experiences give them a perspective on teaching that is grounded in the real world, and their involvement in applied research and consulting means that their teaching is well informed and up to date. They’ll talk with you not only about academic subjects, but also about career choices and related issues. Our professors think about your future almost as much as you do, and they are committed to your success.

At RIT/NTID, you will interact with faculty not just in class or during office hours, but in the hallways after class, in Wallace Library, and over coffee in NTID’s CSD Student Development Center. You will get to know your professors and build relationships that last a lifetime.

Our faculty—many of whom are deaf or hard of hearing—are imaginative, knowledgeable and skilled, with decades of experience in educating deaf and hard-of-hearing students.

Here are just a few of the faculty who support your success.

Jessica Cuculick is an associate professor in NTID’s Department of Liberal Studies. She received both a B.S.W. and M.S.Ed. from RIT, an M.S.W. in social work from East Carolina University, and an Ed.D. from the University of Rochester. She has published and/or presented on a variety of topics, including relating deaf students’ reading and language scores to their college degree completion rates; deaf college students and social media; and the deaf community and health care. She also mentors students in the Bridges to the Doctorate Program, established with a grant from the National Institute for General Medical Sciences, part of the National Institutes of Health. Her research interests include social media, public health in the deaf community and deaf education.

Todd Pagano is the associate dean for Teaching & Scholarship Excellence at RIT/NTID and was the founding director of NTID’s laboratory science technology program. He has been recognized for his work at RIT/NTID and throughout the country. During his career at RIT/NTID, he has set up a state-of-the-art instrumentation laboratory, designed the LST degree program and helped place numerous deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals into careers in the chemical sciences. He was named 2012 U.S. Professor of the Year by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. He also received the American Chemical Society Award for Encouraging Disadvantaged Students into Careers in the Chemical Sciences and was named a Fellow of the American Chemical Society. In 2005, he received the Eisenhart Provost’s Award for Excellence in Teaching from RIT. Pagano has worked on several pedagogical and chemical research projects and has presented or co-authored more than 60 papers at regional, national and international symposia. He earned a doctorate in chemistry from Tufts University.

Gilbert (Gil) Beverly is an assistant professor in NTID’s Visual Communications Studies Department. He has taught at NTID for nearly 25 years. Beverly has a bachelor of science degree in applied behavior science from the National College of Education in Chicago, Illinois, and a master’s degree in print management from RIT. He teaches a variety of courses, including digital printing, desktop digital media, print production, production and fundamental core courses. He brings a wealth of experience from the print graphics industry and is actively involved in professional activities in the graphics industry.

Annemarie Ross is an associate professor in the laboratory science technology program. She received a Ph.D. in curriculum, instruction and the science of learning from the University of Buffalo. She is a graduate of RIT’s College of Science and spent several years working in industry as a biochemist prior to coming to RIT/NTID to teach. She credits her sense of pride in RIT/NTID and the strong science background she received here for her desire to return and teach. Ross is a role model for women in science fields, and enjoys interacting with students and preparing them for career success.

Brian Trager is an associate professor in the Information and Computing Studies Department, and associate director for NTID’s Center on Access Technology. He received both his undergraduate and graduate degrees from RIT/NTID. Since 2003, Trager has been teaching and tutoring computer and information technology courses, including programming, mobile app development, web development, and user experience to associate- and bachelor-level students. He also is the principal investigator on a National Science Foundation grant, “RoadMapps to Careers: A New Approach to Mobile Apps Education featuring a Mapp for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Students.” Funding from the grant will train and equip students in mobile application development.

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RIT is committed to ensuring that a quality education remains within the financial reach of deaf and hard-of-hearing students who have the academic preparation and desire to succeed.

Because RIT receives special federal support, students who are deaf or hard of hearing pay less than one-half of RIT’s regular tuition rate. The substantial tuition reduction that deaf and hard-of-hearing students enjoy makes RIT a truly exceptional value.

In addition to the tuition reduction, a variety of financial aid options are available, including scholarships, grants, loans, state Vocational Rehabilitation support and Supplemental Security Income assistance. The average financial aid per domestic student in FY2016 is $14,715, not including loans.

You save $27,028!
Among the world’s leading technological universities, RIT/NTID is an exciting living and learning environment where students find an engaging and challenging academic setting, a strong commitment to undergraduate education and a vibrant campus life. Students from all 50 states and more than 100 countries find the RIT/NTID campus, and Rochester, N.Y., a dynamic place to be.

RIT/NTID enables you to combine the benefits of a large technological university with the intimate, personalized attention of a small college. You will find your social circle includes friends from all majors and from many different cultures. Clubs and activities, sports, field trips, concerts and cultural events all shape the social scene at RIT/NTID. There are a number of opportunities you can take advantage of to foster lifelong friendships while building your academic portfolio.

**Community Service**

RIT/NTID students are active in community service. For example, students have volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, organized the annual Mud Tug to raise money for charity, and arranged conferences with local business leaders. The time spent involved in clubs and organizations can help build relationships that last far beyond graduation.

**Sports, Recreation and Activities**

The campus is alive with sports and recreation activities. The RIT/NTID men’s and women’s intercollegiate athletic teams have a history of excellence, and more than half of our undergraduate students participate in an intramural or club sport each year. The Gordon Field House and Activities Center is a state-of-the-art athletics and recreation facility, featuring a spectacular fitness center, an indoor track, an aquatics center and multipurpose gyms. The campus also has an ice arena, an outdoor track, outdoor tennis courts and playing fields.

Currently there are more than 300 student clubs and organizations and 30 Greek organizations on campus, offering opportunities to network with professionals in your field, compete in national competitions, and meet students who share your interests. Here are just a few of RIT/NTID’s organizations and social clubs that might be of interest to you: NTID Student Congress, Asian Deaf Club, Latin American Deaf Club, Ebony Deaf Club, Student Life Team, NTID Drama Club, College Activities Board, Greek Council, Habitat for Humanity, Mini-Baja Club and Ultimate Frisbee Club.
The City and Beyond

Rochester has one of the nation’s largest per capita concentrations of people who are deaf or hard of hearing. Rochester also is a true college town. Home to 11 colleges and universities, four of which are within five miles of the RIT/NTID campus, the city offers impressive educational and cultural opportunities. Rochester provides an incredible backdrop for career growth. High-tech, communications, optics, research and manufacturing companies choose Rochester as their base of operations, including Xerox Corp., Bausch & Lomb, Inc., and Paychex, Inc. These and other Rochester companies offer excellent co-op and permanent employment opportunities.

The greater Rochester metropolitan area is ranked as one of America’s top places to live. For nature lovers, parks, beaches, golf courses, mountains, gorges, lakes, and streams provide opportunities for outdoor recreation and sightseeing. The four-season climate is perfect for activities like sailing, hiking, cycling, kayaking and snow skiing.

There also are plenty of dining and entertainment options. A significant range of art galleries, cinemas, theaters, comedy clubs, restaurants, concert halls and nightclubs featuring live music and dancing are just minutes from campus.

The city is home to professional sports teams in baseball (Red Wings), ice hockey (Americans), soccer (Rhinos), lacrosse (Knighthawks), and basketball (Razorsharks). Rochester’s cultural assets include the Memorial Art Gallery, Rochester Museum and Science Center, Strasenburgh Planetarium, Geva Theatre and the world-renowned photographic and motion picture collections at the George Eastman House.

RIT/NTID Athlete Development Program

The RIT/NTID Athlete Development Program provides support and training to improve the quality of deaf and hard-of-hearing athletes’ experiences as key members of their respective athletic programs. Services offered for deaf and hard-of-hearing athletes include academic support, educational workshops, mentoring, leadership training and access services.
Our admission process is a personal one. Each application is reviewed holistically for strength of academic preparation, performance on standardized tests, counselor recommendations and your personal career interests. We seek applicants from all geographical, social, cultural, economic and ethnic backgrounds.

An unaided audiogram is required to qualify for admission. Students must have a significant hearing loss and demonstrate the ability to benefit from the models used at RIT/NTID designed specifically to provide access to academic programs for deaf and hard-of-hearing students.

**Come and Visit**

Once you see RIT/NTID’s campus and meet our students, faculty and staff, you’ll understand why so many students feel immediately at home and why alumni have fond memories of their time here. Come see for yourself! Learn more at rit.edu/ntid/visit.

**Chat with Us**

Have questions? Chat with an RIT/NTID admissions counselor and get your answers. Whether your inquiry is about a program, admission requirements, student life or financial aid options, our admissions counselors can assist you with your needs.

Call 585-475-6700, toll free in the U.S. and Canada at 866-644-6843, or by videophone at 585-743-1366, weekdays 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Or visit rit.edu/ntid/chatlive for details about our Chat Live option.
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COLLEGES AND DEGREE-GRANTING UNITS:

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- School of Art
- School of Design
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- School of Photographic Arts and Sciences

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- College of Liberal Arts
- National Technical Institute for the Deaf
- College of Science
- Chester F. Carlson Center for Imaging Science
- Thomas H. Goosnell School of Life Sciences
- School of Mathematical Sciences
- School of Chemistry and Materials Science
- School of Physics and Astronomy
- Golisano Institute for Sustainability
- School of Individualized Study

RIT is an internationally recognized leader in preparing deaf and hard-of-hearing students for successful careers in professional and technical fields. The university provides unparalleled access and support services for the more than 1,100 deaf and hard-of-hearing students who live, study and work with hearing students on the RIT campus.

RIT ALUMNI number nearly 125,000 worldwide.

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION provides paid career-related work experience in many degree programs. RIT has the fourth-oldest and one of the largest cooperative education programs in the world, annually placing more than 4,400 students in nearly 6,300 co-op assignments with nearly 2,300 employers across the United States and overseas.

The RIT LIBRARIES consist of Wallace Library, the RIT Archive Collections, and the Cary Graphic Arts Collection. Wallace Library provides a vast array of resource materials, both print and online, and is open 24/5 during the academic year. Librarians associated with each college are ready to assist with research and class assignments. The RIT Archive Collections serves as the official repository for RIT’s historically valuable records and artifacts. The Cary Collection is one of the country’s premier libraries on graphic communication history and practices, and has a policy of liberal access for all students. For more information: http://library.rit.edu/.

HOUSING: Many of RIT’s full-time students live in RIT residence halls, apartments or townhouses on campus. On-campus fraternities, sororities and special-interest houses also are available. Freshmen are guaranteed housing.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES: Major social events and activities are sponsored by the College Activities Board, Residence Halls Association, sororities, fraternities and special-interest clubs of many kinds. There are more than 300 clubs and student organizations on campus.

ATHLETICS: Men’s Teams—baseball, basketball, crew, cross country, ice hockey (Division I), lacrosse, soccer, swimming, tennis, track and wrestling

Women’s Teams—basketball, crew, cross country, ice hockey (Division I), lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, track and volleyball

RIT offers a wide variety of activities for students at all levels of ability. More than 50 percent of our undergraduate students participate in intramural sports ranging from flag football to golf to indoor soccer. Facilities include the Gene Polisseni Center, which houses RIT’s hockey arena and accommodates 4,300; the Gordon Field House, featuring two swimming pools, a fitness center, indoor track and an event venue with seating for 8,500; the Hale-Andrews Student Life Center, with five multipurpose courts, eight racquetball courts and a dance/ aerobics studio; the Ritter Ice Arena; and outdoor facilities including an all-weather track, tennis courts and several athletic fields.

VISITS TO CAMPUS are encouraged and may be arranged in advance by calling 585-475-6700, toll free in the U.S. and Canada at 866-644-6843, or by videophone at 585-743-1366.

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UNIVERSITY MASCOT: Bengal tiger “RITchie”
UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC TEAMS: Tigers

RIT does not discriminate. RIT promotes and values diversity within its workforce and provides equal opportunity to all qualified individuals regardless of race, color, creed, age, marital status, sex, gender, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, veteran status or disability.

The Advisory Committee on Campus Safety will provide, upon request, all campus crime statistics as reported to the United States Department of Education. RIT crime statistics can be found at the Department of Education website, http://ope.ed.gov/security, and by contacting RIT’s Public Safety Department at 585-475-6620 (v/tty).

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