

Exceptional Value. Perfect Fit.



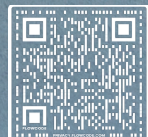
RIT

An Outstanding Investment
For Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Students



RIT is a vibrant learning environment where imagination, creativity, and innovation create outstanding academic, social, and personal development opportunities for deaf and hard-of-hearing students that are unmatched by any other university in the world.

**Why students
choose RIT**



Inclusive Community. Accessible Facilities.

RIT offers an environment where deaf and hard-of-hearing students fit in, feel comfortable, pursue their dreams and fulfill their potential. Your student will find a real sense of community at RIT and create connections that last a lifetime.

Deaf and hard-of-hearing students who attend RIT use various communication modes. Some use spoken English. Others use sign language or a combination of speaking and signing. They come from across the United States and many different countries and represent a diverse range of ethnic, geographic, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

There are more than 300 RIT student clubs and organizations, NCAA and intramural sports, student government, and performing arts.

Your student will discover an environment that will help them build upon strengths they already have, explore new options and come into their own as a scholar, a leader, and a citizen of the world.

Serving more than 1,100 deaf and hard-of-hearing students, RIT has made sure our campus is accessible.

- > Specially designed dorm rooms include strobe fire alarms and doorbells.
- > Visual emergency warning systems are present in all academic buildings.

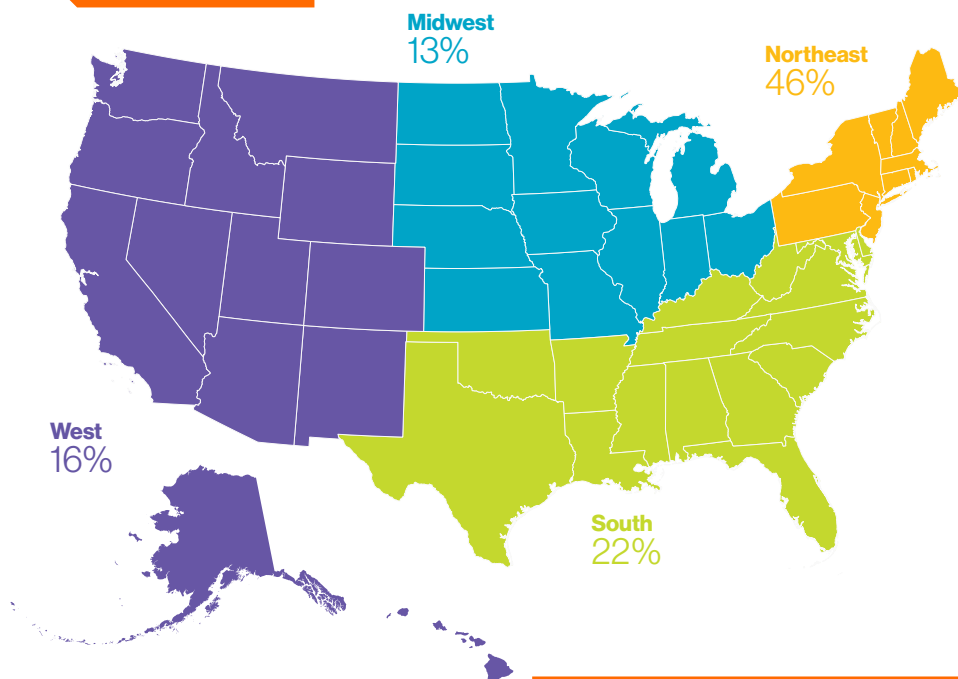
> RIT's Public Safety officers are on duty 24/7 for safety, security, and traffic control. Public Safety is easily accessible by phone, text, email, and blue-light security call boxes located around campus.

> TigerSafe is the official safety app of RIT and provides instant access to campus safety resources. The safety app also sends students, faculty, and staff important safety alerts in an emergency situation.

Beyond campus, your student will find Rochester has one of the nation's largest populations of people who are deaf or hard of hearing. Many restaurants, movie theaters and stores have experience serving deaf and hard-of-hearing people.

Where are our students from?

97% U.S.



3% international

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Safety is important to me. The academic buildings and residence halls at RIT accommodate deaf students with strobe fire alarm systems, and public safety officials know how to communicate in sign language. These are factors we didn't find at other colleges.

Rachel Coleman
Salt Lake City, Utah
parent of
RIT/NTID graduate
Liam Coleman

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First-Class Career Education

At RIT, we recognize one size does not fit all. We offer more than 200 academic programs so your student can discover the one that suits them best. RIT offers creative learning approaches and practical experience to prepare students for their career, graduate school or entrepreneurial pursuits.

Bachelor's Degree Programs

Students can choose from more than 90 programs in art and design, business, computing and information sciences, engineering, health sciences and technology, liberal arts, and science.

rit.edu/ntid/bachelors

Pre-Baccalaureate Programs

If your student is interested in a bachelor's degree program, but does not fully meet the admission requirements, they may qualify for a pre-baccalaureate program. These individualized programs prepare your student to enter a bachelor's degree program as soon as academically ready.

rit.edu/ntid/prebac

Associate+Bachelor's Degree Programs

Students can start on the road to academic success by completing an associate degree that provides a solid foundation and prepares them to continue and succeed in an RIT bachelor's degree program.

rit.edu/ntid/aplusb

Career-Focused Associate Degree Programs

Your student can choose a fast track to success by pursuing one of our exciting career-focused associate degree programs designed to prepare graduates for immediate employment in today's high-tech fields.

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Career Exploration Program

Some students use their first year to select and prepare for a major. During this time, they develop a better understanding of themselves and their career interests through career, academic and personal counseling and the sampling of various majors.

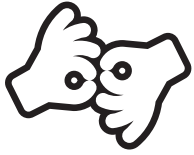
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**Charles Obeng
Asiamah and
Jacqueline Duah**

Parents of RIT/NTID
graduate Maameyaa
Asiamah

Maameyaa has grown tremendously in her time at RIT. She has taken on leadership roles, been a mentor, and truly has grown in self-confidence. She learned a lot about herself and how to balance academics as well as social and extracurricular activities. Maameyaa benefited the most by having a community of deaf and hard-of-hearing students that she could immerse herself in, and she found a home away from home. The resources and opportunities that foster an atmosphere for growth and success made sending Maameyaa to RIT a smart choice.



140+

in-house interpreters



50+

real-time captionists



400

trained notetakers

35,357
hours
outside
classroom



82,474
hours in
classroom

117,800+

interpreting hours

2,509
hours
outside
classroom



25,235
hours in
classroom

27,700+

captioning hours

Extraordinary Support and Access Services

If your student takes courses in RIT's College of Art and Design, Saunders College of Business, 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, School of Individualized Study, or Golisano Institute for Sustainability, your student can choose from among:

- > sign language interpreting services,
- > FM systems,
- > real-time captioning services, and
- > notetaking.

Alternative services also may be provided. In addition, your student will have access to educational support services, including experienced faculty tutors, personal and career counseling, and academic advising. These faculty tutors, counselors, and advisors are skilled at working with deaf and hard-of-hearing students of all communication modes.

If your student takes NTID courses, faculty members will communicate directly using a variety of strategies, such as:

- > sign language with voice,
- > sign language without voice,
- > spoken language (FM systems are available),
- > printed/visual aids,
- > web-based instructional material, or
- > individual tutoring.

In cases where a faculty member's communication strategies do not appropriately meet your student's needs, your student can request access services from the Department of Access Services.

An assigned counselor will work closely with your student to help plan their collegiate experience and provide personal, social, career and academic advising and counseling services.

rit.edu/ntid/access

RIT is designated as a Microsoft Accessible University

RIT is one of only six universities in the nation that has been named a Microsoft Accessible University for its endeavor to improve upon and provide cutting-edge accessibility solutions.



Michaela Mullin

Hometown
Alameda, California

Major
Architectural and Civil Drafting Technology

I didn't have a lot of knowledge about the Deaf world growing up. So, when I was in high school and struggling with my self-identity, one of my goals was to learn more about my "Deaf side." I decided to attend a community college first because I didn't know what I wanted to study. That college had a Deaf program, and I fully immersed myself into the Deaf community. This greatly influenced my decision to continue my education at RIT. RIT bridges the gap between the deaf and hearing worlds, so I can socially grow in both, and challenges me to step out of my comfort zone and try new things.



Miko Arayata

Hometown
Quezon, Philippines

Major
Design and Imaging Technology

Traveling more than 8,000 miles from home was necessary for me to get my degree because there are very few programs offered for deaf students in the Philippines. When I arrived at RIT, the Deaf community made me feel comfortable right away, and today I feel like RIT is my second home. Coming to RIT has given me the opportunity to return home with a degree I wanted and the skills necessary to pursue a successful career in graphic design.

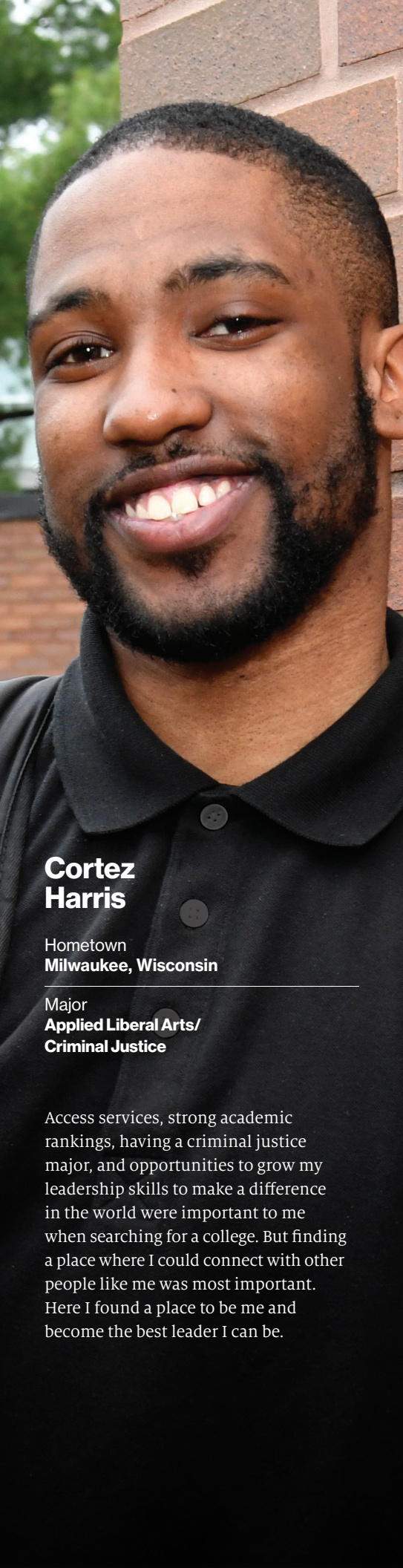


Maameyaa Asiamah

Hometown
Fairfax, Virginia

Major
**Laboratory Science Technology/
Biochemistry**

I see myself as a strong, Deaf Black woman who can make a difference in the world as a scientist. Because RIT was a college that catered to the needs of deaf and hard-of-hearing students, and has students enrolled from all over the world, I felt that I could fit in comfortably because of this diversity. My decision to enroll was based on my ability to learn, relate, and empathize with all different types of cultures that I would hopefully experience. At RIT, I excel in and out of the classroom. I am a student leader in several clubs, and I was named the 2022 NTID Undergraduate Delegate for my accomplishments. All of my experiences here are preparing me well for my future.

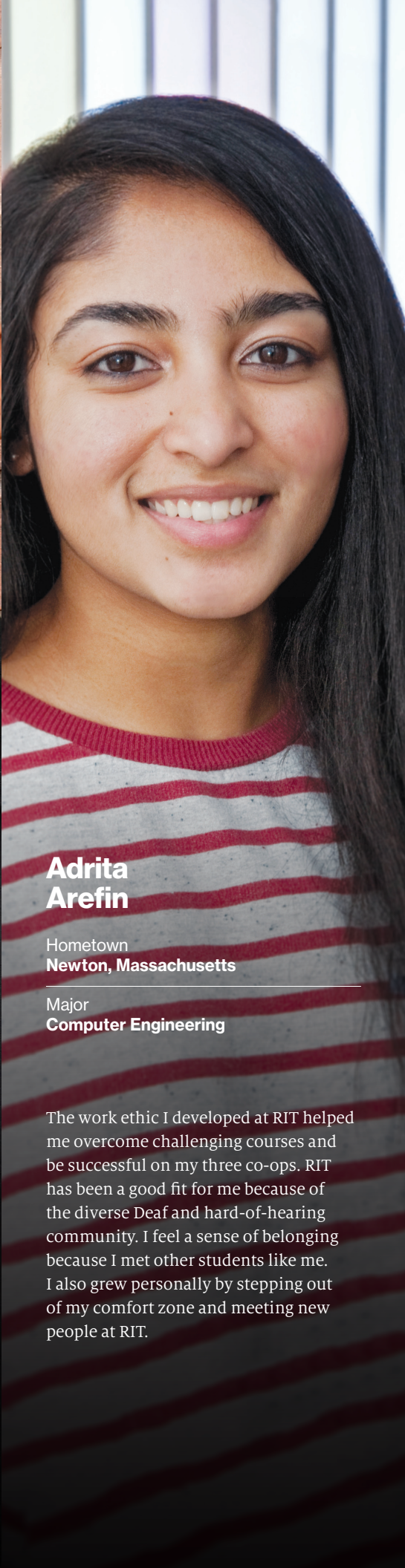


Cortez Harris

Hometown
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Major
**Applied Liberal Arts/
Criminal Justice**

Access services, strong academic rankings, having a criminal justice major, and opportunities to grow my leadership skills to make a difference in the world were important to me when searching for a college. But finding a place where I could connect with other people like me was most important. Here I found a place to be me and become the best leader I can be.

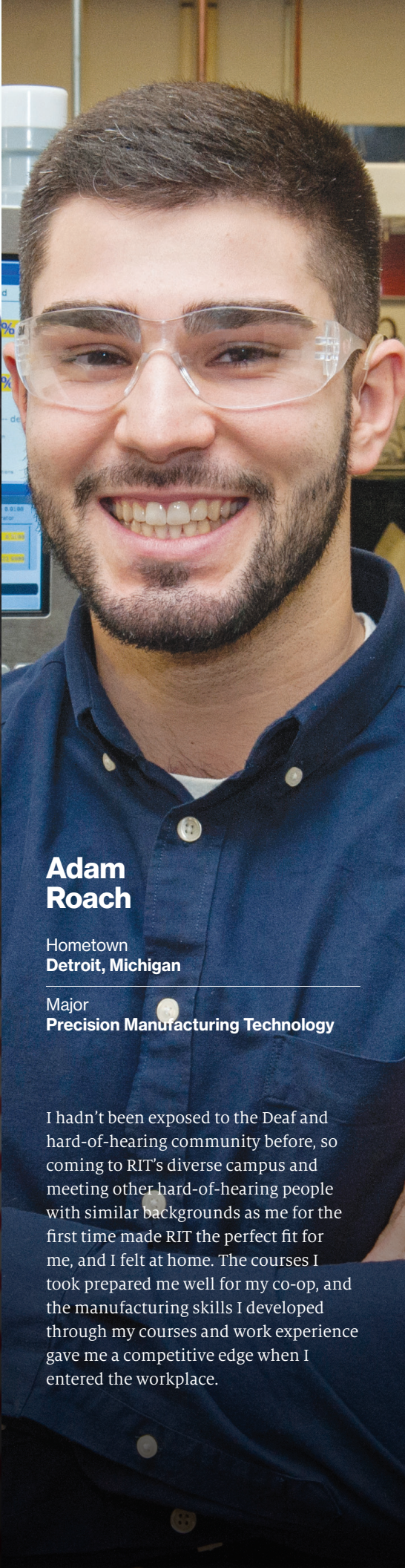


Adrita Arefin

Hometown
Newton, Massachusetts

Major
Computer Engineering

The work ethic I developed at RIT helped me overcome challenging courses and be successful on my three co-ops. RIT has been a good fit for me because of the diverse Deaf and hard-of-hearing community. I feel a sense of belonging because I met other students like me. I also grew personally by stepping out of my comfort zone and meeting new people at RIT.



Adam Roach

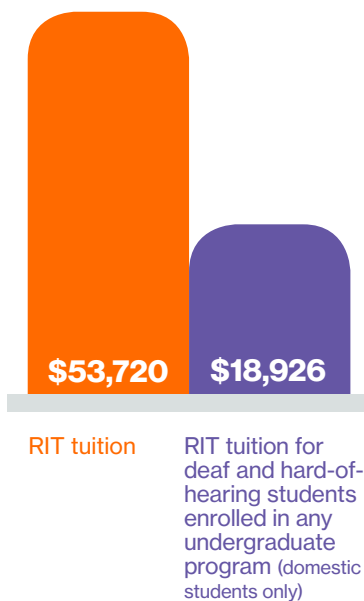
Hometown
Detroit, Michigan

Major
Precision Manufacturing Technology

I hadn't been exposed to the Deaf and hard-of-hearing community before, so coming to RIT's diverse campus and meeting other hard-of-hearing people with similar backgrounds as me for the first time made RIT the perfect fit for me, and I felt at home. The courses I took prepared me well for my co-op, and the manufacturing skills I developed through my courses and work experience gave me a competitive edge when I entered the workplace.

A Worthwhile Investment

2022-2023 Tuition Comparison



Average financial aid per domestic deaf and hard-of-hearing student

\$19,288

90%

of undergraduate deaf and hard-of-hearing students receive financial aid

Exceptional Value and Affordability

RIT is committed to ensuring that a quality education remains within the financial reach of deaf and hard-of-hearing students. Because RIT receives special federal support, **deaf and hard-of-hearing students pay less than one-half of RIT's regular tuition rate.** The reduced cost makes RIT a truly exceptional value.

In addition to the substantial tuition reduction, a variety of financial aid options are available, including scholarships, grants, loans, state Vocational Rehabilitation support, and Supplemental Security Income assistance.

rit.edu/ntid/finaid

Real-World Work Experience Before Graduation

RIT's cooperative education program provides students tremendous opportunities to gain valuable experience in their field before graduation. A co-op offers students a taste of the world of work and practical experience to include on their resume when applying for employment after graduation. Co-ops also help students finance a portion of their education, give them opportunities to make professional contacts in their field, and foster personal growth and independence.

rit.edu/ntid/coop

Specialized Job Search Assistance

Your student's career success is supported by our employment specialists who travel coast to coast meeting with employers, building relationships, and educating the marketplace about the value of hiring deaf and hard-of-hearing students and graduates. RIT enjoys great success in working with employers to fully integrate deaf and hard-of-hearing employees in all aspects of work life and to model the benefits of a diverse workforce to others.

The job search and interview preparation services available to your student also are a major reason behind career success. Each year, students receive thousands of hours of employment advising. Your student also can take advantage of valuable interviewing experience during practice job interviews conducted by faculty, staff, and community volunteers. Additional job search assistance includes help with resume and cover letter writing, job application completion, and access to a variety of resources that students can use to find employers to contact about possible jobs.

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Graduates in Demand

A degree from RIT commands attention in the marketplace. Employers know that our graduates have high-caliber qualifications and work experience that prepares them to deliver results on the job. **RIT enjoys one of the highest rates of employment for its graduates of any comprehensive university in the country.** This is apparent as on-campus recruiters from major industries snap up RIT students even before they graduate.

Selected national and international companies that have hired **deaf and hard-of-hearing RIT students and graduates**

- > BNY Mellon
- > Caterpillar, Inc.
- > Defense Finance and Accounting Service
- > Dow Chemical Company
- > General Electric
- > Google
- > Honda
- > IBM
- > Lockheed Martin
- > Merck
- > Microsoft
- > Monroe County Medical Examiner's Office
- > NASA
- > National Institutes of Health
- > Naval Supply Systems Command
- > Solar Turbines
- > Tesla Motors
- > Texas Instruments
- > Toyota
- > Tufts University
- > U.S. Department of Defense
- > Whirlpool
- > Yahoo!

Audiology and Speech/Language Services

Your student doesn'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 your student can broaden and/or strengthen their communication competencies.



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;
- > cochlear implant mapping;
- > hearing aid and cochlear implant adjustments, troubleshooting, repairs, and upgrades.

An additional advantage is discounted pricing for new hearing aids and accessories. Your student 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;
- > 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.

A unique college. A superior education.

1st

RIT is home to the National Technical Institute for the Deaf, the first and largest technical college in the world for deaf and hard-of-hearing students.

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RIT serves more than 1,100 deaf and hard-of-hearing students from around the world who live, study, and work alongside hearing peers on the RIT campus.

3,000

Hours of employment advising annually by the NTID Co-op and Career Center.

72%

Business and Industry

21%

Education and Non-Profit

7%

Government

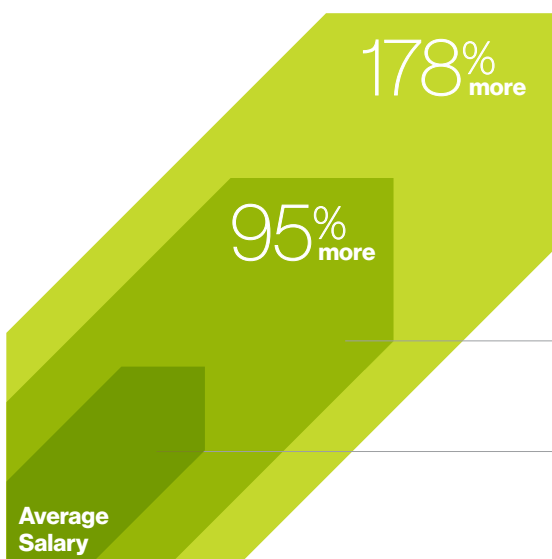
RIT/NTID alumni thrive in all economic sectors.

95%

Placement rate within one year of graduation for deaf and hard-of-hearing students seeking employment.

Higher Earnings

Median Salary
at Age 50



Deaf and hard-of-hearing RIT graduates are competitive in the marketplace

According to a study conducted with the Social Security Administration, deaf and hard-of-hearing RIT graduates had higher career earnings than their deaf and hard-of-hearing peers who attended other postsecondary institutions.

Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing RIT Graduates (Bachelor's)

Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing RIT Graduates (Associate)

Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Graduates of Other Postsecondary Institutions

RIT

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Deaf and hard-of-hearing students find their fit and form their future at RIT.

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Seeing is Believing

The best way to learn more about RIT is to visit. There are many ways to get to know our vibrant campus and inclusive community. Experience the extraordinary at RIT.

rit.edu/ntid/visit

For more information or to arrange a visit:

Call us today at 585-475-6700, toll free in the U.S. and Canada at 866-644-6843, or by videophone at 585-743-1366. You also can email visitntid@rit.edu.

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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.

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