

Bachelor–Level Liberal Arts Programs Overview for Employers

College of Liberal Arts
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Overview

Deaf and hard-of-hearing students enrolled in RIT's **College of Liberal Arts** study liberal arts subjects within the framework of a technological university. Students participate in a rigorous program designed to prepare them for working in an increasingly interconnected and complex world. Interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary collaboration with RIT's other colleges allows students to select majors from programs that improve society, protect the biosphere, encourage good citizenship, among other things, and prepare students for a variety of careers and advanced degrees. They graduate with the skills to find their place in a rapidly changing technological and multicultural world. **Graduates work in all sectors of the economy including business and industry, government, education and non-profit agencies. Some of the jobs they are prepared to work as are:**

- Communications professionals
- Counselors
- Journalists/writers/editors
- Legal assistants
- Marketing and advertising professionals
- Museum/archive curators
- Political aides
- Public relations specialists
- Researchers
- Urban and regional planners

Cooperative Education (Co-op) Component

Students work in cooperative work assignments in nearly every type of setting across the country and around the world. Co-op employment enables students to put their skills and knowledge to work at a job related to their field while still in college, helping to prepare them for the world of work and their career after graduation. Co-ops are optional for students in the College of Liberal Arts but a large number choose to participate to get valuable experience working in the real world before graduation.

Deaf and hard-of-hearing students can enroll in these liberal arts programs:

- Advertising and Public Relations
- Communication
- Criminal Justice
- Economics
- International and Global Studies
- Journalism
- Museum Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Policy
- Sociology and Anthropology

The National Technical Institute for the Deaf Center on Employment helps deaf and hard-of-hearing RIT/NTID students and graduates with their job search and provides employers with well-trained, highly qualified deaf and hard-of-hearing employees. NCE offers guidance to employers on integrating deaf and hard-of-hearing employees into the workforce.

The following are employers who have partnered with the NTID Center on Employment in a variety of ways including hiring deaf and hard-of-hearing students and graduates:

- ADT Security Services
- Advocacy Services for Abused Deaf Victims, Inc.
- American Red Cross
- American School for the Deaf
- AMI Kids Crossroads
- Aspen Camp
- CBS
- Center for Disability Rights
- Communication Service for the Deaf
- Deaf Overcoming Violence through Empowerment
- DePaul Community Services
- Dow Chemical Company
- Easter Seals
- Family Service Foundation, Inc.
- Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness
- Iowa School for the Deaf
- Learning Center for the Deaf
- Lemberg Law
- Mount Sinai Hospital
- National Association of the Deaf
- National Center for Deaf Health Research
- Purple Communications
- Rochester School for the Deaf School of Continuing Education
- Time Warner Cable
- Total Sports Live
- U.S. Congress
- U.S. Department of Defense
- U.S. Department of Labor
- U.S. Department of State

RIT/NTID co-op students and alumni provide employers with highly trained, highly motivated employees with excellent skills. We appreciate your interest in our co-op students and graduates and will work with you through the recruiting process to help you hire the right employee. For your convenience, access further information about our services at www.rit.edu/NTID/coops/jobs.

If this is your organization's first time hiring a deaf or hard-of-hearing employee, please take the opportunity to consult with the NTID Center on Employment for strategies on communicating with and fostering integration of a deaf or hard-of-hearing employee in your workplace:

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The National Technical Institute for the Deaf is the first and largest technological college in the world for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. RIT is internationally recognized for academic leadership in computing, engineering, imaging technology, sustainability, and fine and applied arts. RIT offers more than 200 career-oriented and professional programs, and its cooperative education program is one of the oldest and largest in the nation. Deaf and hard-of-hearing students come from all over the United States and around the world to take advantage of the opportunities available to them at RIT/NTID.