

What to Expect as a Transfer Student in Computer Science at RIT



By now you should have received outreach from your academic advisor regarding your acceptance into Computer Science and to plan your schedule for fall semester. In addition, here is some more valuable information to know...

June

- *Processing AP and transfer credit:*
 - Advisors evaluate and apply valid AP and transfer credit to individual student worksheets.
 - This credit should also show on the Student Information System (SIS) for your review.
 - To Do:** If you have not already done so, please submit **official AP scores** and/or **final transcripts** to RIT Undergraduate Admissions so we can ensure proper placement in fall courses!
- *Math Placement Exam (MPE)*
 - Depending on what calculus credit you receive, you may be required to take the MPE.
 - Without a MPE score or appropriate calculus credit, you will not be registered for a math course for fall semester.
 - To Do:** Please look for further communication from your advisor. If required, be sure to complete the MPE as soon as possible.
- *Writing Placement Exam (WPE)*
 - All students are required to complete a First Year Writing course. Depending on your scores on the ACT or SAT Verbal exams, the SAT or ACT Written exams or appropriate transfer credit, you may be required to take the WPE to ensure proper placement in an introductory writing course.
 - If required, you must take the online exam before we can enroll you in the appropriate writing course for fall semester.
 - To Do:** Please look for further communication from your advisor. If required, please be sure to complete the WPE as soon as possible.
- *Support Services at RIT*
 - If needed, please be sure to make contact with the appropriate support services:
 - Disability Services Office – www.rit.edu/studentaffairs/disabilityservices
 - Department of Access Services - www.ntid.rit.edu/das
- *Love Social Media?*
 - Look for us on Facebook: Computer Science at RIT
 - Look for us on Twitter: @ritcs

July

- *Enrollment for Fall Semester:*
 - Transfer enrollment occurs on a rolling basis based on ongoing transfer evaluations for students accepted into the CS program.
 - Students should be registered for full-time status, which is a minimum of 12 credits, however, most students will be registered for 15-18 credits.
 - Requests for schedule changes will be evaluated on Academic Day during Orientation. Please note, there is very limited flexibility for schedule changes.
 - To Do:** If you are a student athlete, ROTC or NTID, please contact your assigned advisor to notify them of your schedule limitations.
- *Want a head start?*
 - Check out the CS website: cs.rit.edu
 - Check out the CS Orientation Website: cs.rit.edu/orientation
 - Check out the CS Undergraduate Handbook: cs.rit.edu/programs/ugrad/handbook/uho

Welcome to RIT!

August

- *Orientation*
 - Over the summer, you will receive information from RIT highlighting orientation activities and events.
 - During orientation you will be given the opportunity to meet faculty, staff and fellow classmates within the B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing & Information Sciences (GCCIS).
 - You will also have the opportunity to work individually with the Computer Science Department to learn about:
 - Computer Science Curriculum
 - Co-op
 - Advisor and Advisee Relationship
 - Milestones within Program of Study
 - Department and University Resources
 - Policies and Procedures
 - You will also be given the chance to meet individually with an Academic Advisor for any necessary schedule adjustments.

Fall Semester

- During fall semester, students will be required to meet one-on-one with their assigned Academic Advisor to start building relationships, check in on how things are going so far, and to start planning for spring registration. This is a great way for students to learn more in depth about their academic plan and to build the ground work for the future.
- Be sure to:
 - Familiarize yourself with the resources and supports available within the program and University.
 - Take advantage of opportunities and actively engage with faculty and your Academic Advisor in support of your own success.
 - Take advantage of the resources in place to assist you with maintaining good academic standing. A few of the key resources include:
 - Early Alert System
 - Academic Support Center – www.rit.edu/studentaffairs/asc
 - Computer Science Tutoring Center – cs.rit.edu/resources

Intersession

- Students are not required or expected to register for courses during the Intersession.
- For further information regarding Intersession, please speak with your Academic Advisor.

Spring Semester

- During spring semester, students will have a second opportunity to meet with their assigned Academic Advisor to assess progress, plan for the upcoming summer and fall terms and learn about additional resources, programs and opportunities. Spring semester is a great time to start to get involved with activities, clubs and events to further enhance your experiential learning.