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The following information is provided to assist RIT/NTID deaf and hard-of-hearing U.S. undergraduate students with financial planning for the 2024-2025 academic year. A list of support services also is included.

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**I. Cost of Attendance**  
(Domestic Undergraduate Students)  
2024-2025

	Summer Vestibule Program/Orientation (new Deaf/Hard of Hearing students)	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Tuition		\$10,275	\$10,275
Room		4,683	4,683
Board (Standard Meal Plan)		3,388	3,388
Student Fees <sup>1</sup>		475	475
Freshman Orientation Fee	\$385		
Optional Accident & Sickness Insurance Premium <sup>2</sup>		2,732	
	\$385	\$21,553	\$18,821

<sup>1</sup>The student fees are required of all full-time students and include Student Health Fee (\$275/semester) and Student Activities Fee (\$200/semester).

<sup>2</sup>The optional health insurance is estimated.

The standard academic year includes the Fall and Spring Semesters.

Students on co-op are not charged tuition or fees for that particular semester and will only be charged room and board if they live on campus while they work.

Please note: There is no additional cost for access services (interpreting, real-time captioning, and notetaking).

## II. Summer Vestibule Program & RIT Orientation

All deaf and hard-of-hearing freshman and transfer students are required to attend either NTID's orientation or RIT's orientation:

- Students entering associate degree programs, associate + bachelor, pre-baccalaureate or Career Exploration programs in the College of NTID are required to participate in NTID's orientation, Summer Vestibule Program (SVP). The program runs August 15 – August 24, 2024. Move-in is on August 15<sup>th</sup> and details will be sent to the student's RIT email account. More information is available by visiting [rit.edu/ntid/svp](http://rit.edu/ntid/svp).
- Students entering into a bachelor's program are required to attend RIT's orientation, New Student Orientation (NSO). The program runs August 18 - August 25, 2024. More information is available at [rit.edu/orientation](http://rit.edu/orientation).

Orientation cost for all students will be \$385

Dates for the 2025-2026 academic year will be determined in the spring of 2025.

## III. Optional Summer Programs: Summer Transition Program & New Signers Program

Students **cannot sign up for both** of the following programs. If interested, they need to choose one or the other.

- The Summer Transition Program (STP) is a six-week program that is geared towards supporting the transition of our students from high school to college.

STP students will focus on developing their academic skills, enhancing their college readiness skills, meeting key RIT/NTID faculty and staff, getting to know the RIT campus and Rochester community, as well as meeting new friends.

This on-campus, in-person program runs July 8 - August 15, 2024 (Move-in July 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>). More information can be found at [rit.edu/ntid/stp](http://rit.edu/ntid/stp).

- New Signers Program (NSP) is a four-credit, three-week immersion program offered to newly accepted deaf and hard-of-hearing students who have little or no prior skills in American Sign Language.

NSP students will be introduced to basic sign skills, Deaf culture and deaf awareness.

NSP is held on-campus, in-person July 31 - August 15, 2024 (Move-in July 30<sup>th</sup>). More information is available by visiting [rit.edu/ntid/nsp](http://rit.edu/ntid/nsp).

There is no cost for either program (STP or NSP).

Dates for the 2025-2026 academic year will be determined in the spring of 2025.

#### **IV. What is Vocational Rehabilitation**

Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) provides services to individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing or to those who have disabilities and who need help to qualify for or to find a job. VR may assist with vocational training or college. VR services may include financial assistance, employment planning, counseling, transportation, and job placement assistance. A VR counselor, who determines eligibility for services, is assigned to each individual requesting assistance. States have various names for VR, and services vary depending on need and the state in which a student lives. Students are responsible for applying for these services through their local Vocational Rehabilitation office. For more information, visit [rit.edu/ntid/tuition/vr](http://rit.edu/ntid/tuition/vr).

#### **V. How to Purchase Your Books**

Akademus is RIT's official online virtual bookstore. Once students schedule classes in our Student Information System, their book list and course materials will appear in the Akademus system. You can visit our bookstore at [rit.textbookx.com](http://rit.textbookx.com).

Some students prefer to order from alternative sources. If you are being supported by VR, it would be important to check with them to see if you have limitations on your vendor choices. Please note that book rentals cannot be purchased with VR funds.

In order to ensure that you are purchasing the books your professors want you to have for your courses, we recommend that you attend class before buying your books.

If Vocational Rehabilitation will be paying for books and supplies, authorizations should be directed to the bookstore by email, or mail to the address below.

Rochester Institute of Technology  
Attention: NTID Vocational Rehabilitation Services Center  
52 Lomb Memorial Drive, Rochester, NY 14623  
Email: [BookVR@rit.edu](mailto:BookVR@rit.edu)

#### **VI. Health Insurance**

Students opting to enroll in the RIT-offered Student Health Insurance Plan for 2024-25 should enroll no later than September 30, 2024. Estimated annual cost of coverage will be: \$2,732.

Visit their website here: [rit.edu/studentaffairs/studenthealth/new-students/insurance](http://rit.edu/studentaffairs/studenthealth/new-students/insurance).

#### **VII. NTID Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

NTID Assistant Director of Vocational Rehabilitation Services, Denise Hampton, is located in the Lyndon Baines Johnson Hall, room 2620. She is available to assist all NTID-supported students with questions and concerns related to Vocational Rehabilitation support services. Denise's email and contact information is [dchsfa@rit.edu](mailto:dchsfa@rit.edu), 585-286-4525 (VP), 585-475-2582 (V).

#### **VIII. NTID Student Financial Assistance**

Barbara Polle is located in the Lyndon Baines Johnson Hall, room 2648. She is available to help all NTID-supported students with questions and concerns surrounding general financial and billing questions as well as explaining policies, processes, and administering scholarships. Barbara's email and contact information is [blptso@rit.edu](mailto:blptso@rit.edu), 585-286-5516 (VP), 585-475-6863 (V).

## **IX. RIT/NTID Financial Aid**

The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships has a staff of seasoned financial professionals that can assist you with all of your financial aid needs. The office determines financial aid awards, counsels students and families on the application process, eligibility criteria, sources of financing, reviews requests for additional assistance and changes in family circumstances, monitors academic progress and communicates financial aid information to VR agencies. Matthew Reynell and Heather Johnson are Assistant Directors on staff that work exclusively with NTID-supported students. The office is located in the Bausch & Lomb Building. You can contact them by email at [ritaid@rit.edu](mailto:ritaid@rit.edu), call 585-475-2186 (V), or Live Chat (ASK RITchie) at [rit.edu/Ask RITchie](http://rit.edu/Ask RITchie). The secure document upload link: [rit.edu/aid/upload](http://rit.edu/aid/upload).

## **X. RIT/NTID Student Financial Services**

The Student Financial Services Office of RIT is responsible for maintaining students' accounts and preparing semester bills related to fixed charges. The office is located in University Services Center on the first floor. Please send authorizations to our billing office or contact them if you have questions or concerns.

Rochester Institute of Technology  
Student Financial Services  
25 Lomb Memorial Drive, Rochester, NY 14623  
Email: [asksfs@rit.edu](mailto:asksfs@rit.edu)  
585-475-6186 (V), or fax 585-475-5307

## **XI. Helpful Links**

The following areas provide exceptional support for all NTID students.

### **NTID Student and Academic Services**

[rit.edu/ntid/sas/](http://rit.edu/ntid/sas/)

### **NTID Assistant Director of Vocational Rehabilitation Services: Denise Hampton**

[dchsfa@rit.edu](mailto:dchsfa@rit.edu), 585-475-2582 (V), 585-286-4525 (VP)

### **NTID Financial Coordinator: Barbara Polle**

[blptso@rit.edu](mailto:blptso@rit.edu), 585-475-6863 (V), 585-286-5516 (VP)

### **Department of Access Services**

[rit.edu/ntid/das](http://rit.edu/ntid/das)

### **Counseling and Academic Advising Resources**

Counseling and Academic Advising Services - [rit.edu/ntid/counseling](http://rit.edu/ntid/counseling)

NTID Psychological Services - [rit.edu/studentaffairs/counseling](http://rit.edu/studentaffairs/counseling)

Substance & Addiction Intervention Services – [rit.edu/ntid/saisd](http://rit.edu/ntid/saisd)

### **Communication Studies and Services**

[rit.edu/ntid/css](http://rit.edu/ntid/css)

### **NTID Learning Consortium**

[rit.edu/ntid/nlc](http://rit.edu/ntid/nlc)

### **Financial Aid and Scholarships**

E-mail: [ritaid@rit.edu](mailto:ritaid@rit.edu)

Call: 585-475-2186 (V)

Live Chat (ASK RITchie): Financial Aid | RIT

Submit documents: [rit.edu/aid/upload](http://rit.edu/aid/upload)

### **RIT Student Financial Services**

[rit.edu/sfs](http://rit.edu/sfs)

Note: When reviewing rates on the Financial Services website, please be sure you are viewing the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing NTID-Supported rate. All NTID-supported students, whether in associate or bachelor's degree programs, pay the NTID reduced rate shown here: [rit.edu/sfs/tuition-and-fees](http://rit.edu/sfs/tuition-and-fees)

### **Disability Services**

[rit.edu/studentaffairs/disabilityservices](http://rit.edu/studentaffairs/disabilityservices)

### **RIT Academic Calendar**

2024-2025 Academic Calendar

[https://www.rit.edu/infocenter/sites/rit.edu.infocenter/files/files/2024-2025 Semester Calendar 020224.pdf](https://www.rit.edu/infocenter/sites/rit.edu.infocenter/files/files/2024-2025%20Semester%20Calendar%20020224.pdf)

### **Housing Operations Portal**

[rit.edu/fa/housing](http://rit.edu/fa/housing)

# RIT 2024-2025 Academic Calendar

## FALL SEMESTER (2241)

August 26 (Monday)	Day, evening and online classes begin
August 31	First day of Add/Drop period + Saturday classes begin
September 2 (Monday)	Labor Day - No Classes
September 3 (Tuesday)	Last day of Add/Drop period +
September 4 (Wednesday)	First day to drop from classes with a grade of "W"
October 14-15	Fall Break - No Classes
November 8 (Friday)	Last day to drop from classes with a grade of "W"
November 27	No classes - University closes at 2 p.m.
November 28-29	Thanksgiving Holiday - University closed
December 9 (Monday)	Last day, evening and online classes
December 10 (Tuesday)	Reading Day
December 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18	Final exams
December 20 (Friday)	Final grades due
December 21 - January 12	Break between Fall Semester and Spring Semester

## SPRING SEMESTER (2245)

January 13 (Monday)	Day, evening and online classes begin
January 18	First day of Add/Drop period + Saturday classes begin
January 20 (Monday)	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No classes)
January 21 (Tuesday)	Last day of Add/Drop period +
January 22 (Wednesday)	First day to drop from classes with a grade of "W"
March 9-16	Spring Break
April 4 (Friday)	Last day to drop from classes with a grade of "W"
April 28 (Monday)	Last day, evening and online classes
April 29 (Tuesday)	Reading Day
April 30, May 1, 2, 5, 6, 7	Final exams
May 9 (Friday)	Final grades due
May 9 - 10	Convocation and Commencement ceremonies
May 11 - 13	Break between Spring Semester and Summer Term

August 2024						
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April 2025						
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May 2025						
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