



# Fall Arrival Guide

For Incoming Freshmen  
Incoming Interpreting Students  
First Year NTID-Supported BS Students  
2009-2010 Edition

**Move in Date:**  
Sunday, August 30, 2009

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## Welcome to RIT's Housing Community!

We look forward to helping you get settled in your new home for the 2009–2010 academic year. Please read through this Arrival Guide carefully. It contains important information about:

- Your Confirmation Notice and other important documents you **MUST** bring with you
- Our carefully planned move-in process
- What to bring and what not to bring for your residence hall room
- Travel information and directions to RIT
- Cancellation policy, frequently asked questions, and our Housing Hotline

### Don't leave home without the following

- Confirmation Notice
- Arrival Guide
- Color Coded Luggage Tags
- Color Coded Car Tag
- Color Coded Arrival Map

You need to print all of the items listed above prior to leaving home. Get the above items at <http://myhousing.rit.edu>. You will need each of the above items as you navigate move-in on Sunday, August 30th. If you forget or misplace your confirmation notice, you may obtain a copy from Housing Operations in Grace Watson Hall on move-in day.

## UNDERSTANDING THE SECTIONS OF YOUR CONFIRMATION NOTICE

### Your assignment

The building and room number you are assigned to for 2009–2010 are shown here. You can locate the building on the map provided on our website using the building name. Soon this will be home sweet home!

### Your school mailing address and phone number

Please note your mailing address (#NRH) is not the same as your building and room number. All mailboxes are located centrally in Nathaniel Rochester Hall (NRH), A-Level. If your confirmation does not have a mailbox # in front of the street address, you will need to go to the NRH post office upon your arrival to be assigned a “temporary” number until a permanent mailbox becomes available.

### Your roommate(s)

Take the time to contact your new roomie(s)! Now is the perfect time to discuss with your roommate(s) who is going to bring what, so that there are not any duplicate TVs, refrigerators, etc. There are no storage facilities on campus.

## WHAT TO BRING

A cart or dolly to transport your items from your unloading location to your room (a limited number of carts will be available to you at move-in), boxes to hold your items that can be broken down and thrown away, bungee cords to use with dolly, an alarm clock, phone and answering machine, athletic equipment and clothes, bathrobe, bedspread or comforter, blankets, extra-long sheets, pillow, mattress pad (egg crate and foam mattress pads are not allowed due to fire safety regulations), bookends, crates to stack in the closet for clothes or books, a bucket or basket to carry your shower items to the bathroom, flip flops, shampoo, soap, personal items, camera, can opener, clothes basket, hamper or laundry basket, iron, small portable ironing board, computer, 2 fused power strips, dishes, cups, mugs, bowls (make sure you can use them in a microwave), silverware, dish soap and sponge, clothes hangers, flashlight and batteries, poster mounts for photos and posters, first aid kit, band aids, aspirin, cold medicine, tissues, book bag, desk lamp (Lamps that are torchier style or have halogen bulbs larger than 300 watts are not allowed. Torchier style lamps that use a compact fluorescent or incandescent bulb are permitted), laundry soap, school supplies, screwdriver, raincoat and umbrella, refrigerator no larger than 5 cubic feet, toothbrush and toothpaste, sewing kit, music system—stereo, ipod, and CD's, towels and washcloths, TV and VCR/DVD player (movies, too), winter coat with a hood, gloves, mittens and scarf, paper towels, and money. Help RIT be “green” and bring energy-efficient light bulbs.

## HOTLINE

If you have questions about housing, accessing your housing confirmation, or move-in, call our Hotline at (585) 475-5444, Monday–Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, July 20th through August 28th, email us at [housing@rit.edu](mailto:housing@rit.edu), or check the housing portal at <http://myhousing.rit.edu>.

## WHEN CAN I MOVE IN?

Your move-in is Sunday, August 30th. Approximately 2,200 students are moving in to the residence halls on the same day; therefore it is critical that you plan to arrive and move in at your designated time listed below. Traffic and luggage handling may be slow at some times, so please be patient. Please place your luggage tags on your boxes prior to your arrival. No more than two vehicles per family will be allowed to enter the move-in and unloading route. Due to the number of people involved in this process, we strongly suggest that you ask extended family to visit during Brick City Homecoming in October rather than your fall move-in day.

Your floor is indicated by the first two numbers in your room number. For example, room 02025 is located on the second floor, and room 12050 is located on the twelfth floor. Sorry, but no arrangements can be made for early arrivals.

## LUGGAGE TAGS

Look here for your move-in time based on what color luggage tags you have been assigned.

### GREEN

Fish Hall C, floor 4	8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
Building 32, all floors	10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Fish Hall B & C, floor 3	11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Fish Hall B & C, floor 2	1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Fish Hall A, B, & C, floor 1	2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

### BLUE

Colby Hall A, floor 1	8:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Building 28, floor 2	8:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Building 30, floor 1	8:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Baker Hall B, floor 2	10:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Colby Hall B, floor 2	10:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Building 28, floor 4	10:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Building 30, floor 2	10:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Colby Hall C, floor 1 & E, floor 3	1:00 PM – 3:30 PM
Building 30, floor 3	1:00 PM – 3:30 PM
Baker Hall D, floor 2	3:30 PM – 5:00 PM
Colby Hall D, floor 2	3:30 PM – 5:00 PM
Building 30, floor 4	3:30 PM – 5:00 PM
Baker Hall A & C, floor 1	4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Building 28, floors 1 & 3	4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

### YELLOW

Rochester Hall, floors 7 & 8	8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
Rochester Hall, floor 6	10:00 AM – Noon
Rochester Hall, floor 5	Noon – 2:00 PM
Rochester Hall, floor 3 & 4	1:30 PM – 3:00 PM
Rochester Hall, floor 2	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

### PURPLE

Gibson A & B, floor 1	8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
Gibson Hall B, floor 5	9:00 AM – 10:00 AM
Ellingson Hall, floors 11 & 12	9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Gibson Hall A & B, floor 4	9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
Building 50C, floor 2	10:00 AM – Noon
Ellingson Hall, floor 9 & 10	10:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Peterson Hall, floor 1	11:00 AM – Noon
Gibson Hall A & B, floor 3	11:00 AM – 12:30 PM
Gibson Hall A & B, floor 2	12:30 PM – 2:00 PM
Ellingson Hall, floors 7 & 8	1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
Peterson Hall, floors 2 & 3	1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Ellingson Hall, floors 5 & 6	2:30 PM – 5:00 PM
Ellingson Hall, floors 2, 3, & 4	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

### RED

Gleason Hall, floor 7	8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
Gleason Hall, floor 6	10:00 AM – Noon
Colby Hall F, floors 1, 2 & 3	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Gleason Hall, floor 5	Noon – 1:30 PM
Gleason Hall, floor 4	1:30 PM – 3:00 PM
Gleason Hall, floors 2 & 3	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

### ORANGE

Sol Heumann Hall, floor 9	8:00 AM – 9:30 AM
Sol Heumann Hall, floor 8	9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
Sol Heumann Hall, floor 7	11:00 AM – 12:30 PM
Sol Heumann Hall, floor 6	12:30 PM – 2:00 PM
Sol Heumann Hall, floor 5	2:30 PM – 4:00 PM
Sol Heumann Hall, floor 4	3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
Sol Heumann Hall, floor 3	4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Sol Heumann Hall, floor 2	4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

## HOW DO I GET TO RIT?

The color-coded on-campus directions and signs apply only to the official move-in day, August 30th.

### For those traveling on the NY State Thruway:

Take exit 46. Immediately after the toll booth, follow the sign for 390 North, Rochester. Follow this road for 200 to 300 yards and look for the sign to Lehigh Station Road (253). Turn left onto Lehigh Station Road and continue straight until you reach the Route 15 junction. Turn right onto Route 15 North. From there follow the directions for your luggage tag color.

### For those traveling 390 North:

Use the Lehigh Station Road (253) exit. At the light turn left onto Lehigh Station Road and continue straight until you reach the Route 15 junction. Turn right onto Route 15 North. From there follow the directions for your luggage tag color.

### **For those traveling 390 South:**

Use the Lehigh Station Road exit (253). At the light turn right onto Lehigh Station Road and continue straight until you reach the Route 15 junction. Turn right onto Route 15 North. From there follow the directions for your luggage tag color.

### **For those traveling Route 252 Jefferson Road:**

RIT is located on Route 252. There will be signs to direct you as you near campus. Follow the directions for your luggage tag color.

### **For those arriving by plane:**

At the Greater Rochester International Airport, you may contact a taxi to transport you to campus. The taxi pickup is located outside the baggage claim area of the terminal. The taxi fare for the trip from the airport to RIT will cost you approximately \$20.

### **For those arriving at the train depot:**

You may obtain a taxi to transport you to campus. As you exit the train depot taxis are generally lined up to the left of the depot. If a taxi is not available, the staff at the ticket window will call a taxi for you. The taxi fare from the train depot to RIT will cost you approximately \$20.

### **For those arriving at the bus station:**

You may contract a taxi to transport you to campus. Taxis are generally parked in front of the bus station. If a taxi is not available, the staff at the ticket window will call a taxi for you. The taxi fare for the trip from the bus station to RIT will cost you approximately \$20.

### **For those arriving by taxi:**

Please ask the driver to use the Lowenthal Drive entrance.

## **ONCE YOU GET ON CAMPUS**

Place your car tag under your windshield wiper. Tune to WITR 87.9 FM, RIT's own radio station. WITR will broadcast throughout move-in day. In the case of severe weather or an emergency situation that would require the move-in process to be temporarily suspended, WITR will broadcast emergency instructions for students and their families.

### **Green luggage tags**

Enter RIT from Jefferson Road onto Lomb Memorial Drive, using the lane at the traffic light (RIT's main entrance). Proceed until you reach the round about and head straight towards the information booth. Go around the information booth and take a right into D Lot.

### **Purple luggage tags**

Enter RIT from Jefferson Road onto Lowenthal Road (entrance next to the Radisson). At the end of the entrance make a left. Make a quick right onto Lyons Crescent and then a quick left onto Lattimore Place. Pull into Lot L.

### **Blue luggage tags**

Enter RIT from John Street onto Wiltsie Road to parking Lot C.

### **Red, Orange, and Yellow luggage tags**

Enter RIT from John Street onto Perkins Road, turn left into Lot K.

## **KEY PICK UP**

You will pick up your housing and mailbox keys in the parking lot designated for your color of luggage tag. If you arrive after 5:00 PM, you may pick up your keys at the Housing Operations Office in Grace Watson Hall until 8:00 PM.

## **CHECKING INTO YOUR ROOM**

Upon moving into your residence hall room, we ask that you immediately complete an inspection of the contents and condition of your room. Please submit your Check-In Condition form to the Orientation Welcome Center, in the Gordon Field House. You must present the condition form to enter the Field House and obtain your Orientation material. Please do not go to the Field House prior to moving into your room.

## **CANCELLATION OF YOUR 2009–2010 ACADEMIC YEAR HOUSING NO SHOW DATE**

If you make the decision not to attend RIT or to commute from your parent/guardian's home within a 30-mile radius of RIT, you must cancel your 2009–2010 academic year housing contract. You can do so on line at <http://myhousing.rit.edu>. If you do not cancel your 2009–2010 assignment and do not move in to your assigned space by September 7, 2009, you will be charged a \$300 no show fee.

## **COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### **Will I need any insurance?**

RIT does not carry insurance protecting student's belongings. Please make certain that your belongings are covered either under your parent/guardian home owner's policy or by a separate personal property policy. For your own protection, be sure that all your valuable belongings are marked with a special number and record them in a safe location in case you need to identify the property later.

### **What is a mainstream floor?**

A mainstream floor is a floor where both deaf/hard-of-hearing and hearing students live. Deaf/hard-of-hearing students live as floormates with hearing students, but are not assigned as roommates unless requested. Each floor has a Resident Advisor who serves as a resource for you and your floormates. Residents on mainstream floors make new friends, build community, and can learn a new language.

### **Are you assigned to Ellingson Hall, Peterson Hall, or Building 50C?**

Check the assignment area of your confirmation notice. If you are assigned to Ellingson, Peterson or Building 50C, and you are bringing a computer, you will need to bring a 15 foot Ethernet cable to hook your computer up to the Ethernet jack in your room. Purchase this prior to your arrival to make your move-in smoother.

### **Do I need to bring a fan?**

The following buildings are air conditioned: Kate Gleason Hall, Nathaniel Rochester Hall, Ellingson Hall, Peterson Hall, and Building 50C. If you are not assigned to one of the buildings above, you may want to bring a fan.

### **Can I bring a car?**

Yes, RIT permits vehicles on campus for all students. All vehicles must be registered with the Parking & Transportation Services Office (PATS) within ten days of your arrival. Register your vehicle online at [www.rit.edu/parking](http://www.rit.edu/parking) or in person at the Parking Office located in Grace Watson Hall (building 25) Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

To register using the online system, select the Parking Services page and look for “My Parking Account” on the right side of the page. You will need your RIT computer account username and password to log in. Save yourself from standing in line, register online!!

Visit the PATS website at [www.rit.edu/parking](http://www.rit.edu/parking) to read the on-campus parking regulations and view the different parking options for each student. Enhanced shuttle services are also provided for all RIT residential students in lieu of parking in academic lots during peak hours.

### **How will I access the internet?**

All residence halls, University Commons, Colony Manor, Perkins Green, Racquet Club, and Greek Circle are wireless. Additionally, all of RIT housing, with the exception of Riverknoll apartments, has high-speed Ethernet jacks. Riverknoll residents can make a data connection via modem on the existing phone line, or by acquiring service such as Time Warner’s Roadrunner. If you live in Riverknoll and subscribe to high speed internet access service, you may be eligible for a credit, not to exceed \$120 per quarter, towards the cost of this service. This service must be accessible to all apartment residents. Only one credit per apartment, per quarter will be given. This offer is only applicable during the academic year (fall, winter, and spring quarters). Credit will only be given to the student who holds the contract with the service provider. All credits must be requested by June 15, 2010 for the 2009-2010 academic year. See page 20 in the 2009-2010 Terms & Conditions available at <http://housing.rit.edu/housing/docs/0910termsconditions.pdf> for additional information.

### **HOUSING OPERATIONS & THE CENTER FOR RESIDENCE LIFE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU.**

Housing Operations will assist you with your assignment, keys, card access, and furniture.

Residence Life staff will assist you with college life in general and residential living in particular. This information is designed to provide you with some insight into the job responsibilities of the Residence Life staff, so that you may know who to contact in case of an emergency or concern.

Resident Advisors (RA) are undergraduate students who serve as a first line of support to their residents. As students themselves, RAs have frequent contact throughout the day (and often through the night) with resident students as supportive peers, leaders, educators and community builders. RAs are responsible for developing a diverse experience for on-campus students, specifically for a community within their assigned area, as well as encouraging participating in floor and community events and programs. RAs are directly supervised by CECs. There is approximately one RA for every 30 students.

Community Enrichment Coordinators (CEC) work with a team of RAs to oversee a residential area. CECs are full-time student affairs administrators who coordinate and conduct RA staff training and development, serve as coaches and counsel students, instruct First-Year Enrichment courses, develop and support residential and university-wide programming, serve as conduct officers, resolve roommate conflicts, and serve as an advisor to a student organization or a special interest house. There is approximately one CEC for every 330 students.

Assistant Directors are full-time professionals with Master’s Degrees in Student Personnel, Counseling or Education or comparable discipline and oversee a team of CECs and RAs to serve a residential complex of approximately 1,000 students. Responsibilities include administrative and programmatic functions for the area level.

NEED HELP? The Assistant Directors are the most appropriate people to contact in the event of an emergency to ensure a prompt and effective response. During the academic year, a CEC is on duty from 4:30 PM to 8:30 AM the following morning and any time the Residence Life offices are closed. To contact the on duty staff person, simply call the Public Safety dispatcher at (585) 475-2853 (voice) or (585) 475-6654 (tty) and your call will be referred to the appropriate staff person on duty.



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