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My Future. My Values. My Rochester College.

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Mission of Rochester College Rochester College cultivates academic excellence, principled character, servant leadership, and global awareness through a rigorous educational experience that integrates liberal arts and professional studies within an inclusive Christian heritage.

### Rochester College's mission affirms that:

- · A quality education stresses the challenge of excellence
- · A Christian education uniquely demonstrates that a vibrant faith compels a life of personal integrity and social responsibility
- We will nurture and incarnate a Christian worldview
- An educated person:
  - Reveres God
  - Is able to connect the truths of God with the wisdom of humanity
  - Views vocation as an opportunity for service and stewardship
  - Possesses a lifelong desire to grow intellectually and spiritually

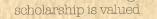
But these are just words, and they can't describe the daily excitement of simply walking on campus or the joy in developing life-long friendships. Rochester College is committed to helping students discover a lifetime of personal and professional enjoyment and achievement.

Please come visit the Rochester College community and see for yourself that it is an exceptional place for exceptional students. You can also visit us online at www.rc.edu

# Academics

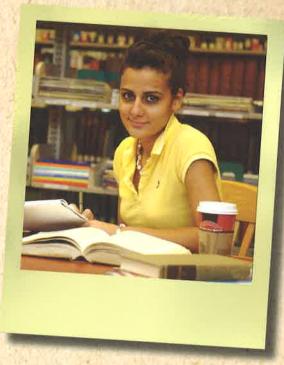
### INTEGRATED LEARNING COMMUNITY

Rochester College pursues this mission through an academic model called an Integrated Learning Community, an approach to education which recognizes that learning happens most effectively when it's offered in creative formats, within a community of peers, and when



Rochester College's goals:

- Establish a learning community where
- Develop an all-encompassing educational experience
- Facilitate a Christian community that is characterized by the nurturing of spiritual growth
- Provide a vibrant campus community through programming, facilities, and amenities





### CHILL

The Community Hub of Integrated Living and Learning (CHILL) is one of the favorite spots on Rochester College's campus. As 🤘 the center of most campus activity, the CHILL is a great place for students to meet, hang out, drink coffee, and study together.

### ACE Lab

The Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) is a student-centered lab, which provides study resources, computers, and free tutoring to all Rochester College students. The ACE lab's mission is to develop independent and successful learners. ACE Academic Assistants are students who are trained to help with accounting, biblical studies, business, communication, education courses, English, history, math, science, and all the phases of the writing process. So no matter what you're studying, the ACE lab can help!





Global Educational Opportunities (GEO)

Rochester College students are offered numerous opportunities for experiential learning in other countries and cultures. The college offers a fifteen-week study-abroad program in Europe with a base site in Vienna, Austria. Other short-term (two to four week) programs are offered over the winter break and in the summer. Some sites include the Holy Lands, Turkey, China, and an annual Earth Science trip to the Rocky Mountain region.

**Academic Symposium** 

The annual Academic Symposium celebrates the academic achievements and capstone projects of senior students. Various subjects are presented each year, ranging from executive simulations to scholarly papers to musical recitals.

### **Student Publications**

Students may join the staff of The Shield, RC's student magazine, or the online version of The Shield to report on the pulse of Rochester College campus life. Working for these entities offers students the opportunity to use their creative talents in producing publications while also gaining valuable media experience. Students from all majors are welcome to participate. Scholarships are available to students who work as editors.

### DEGREE PLANS

### Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Humanities or Interdisciplinary Studies with concentrations in:

- General Science
- History
- International Studies
- · Literature and Writing
- Music
- Performing Arts
- Pre-law
- Religion
- Theater

Interdisciplinary Studies with Honors with concentrations that are self-designed and approved by committee

### Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)

Accounting

Interdisciplinary Management with concentrations available in:

- Marketing Management
- Financial Management
- Human Resource Management

Sports Management

### Bachelor of Science (BS)

Behavioral Science Biblical Studies

Biology

Christian Ministry

Health Sciences

Interdisciplinary Studies with concentrations in:

- Those listed above with BA
- Business
- Mass Communication
- Pre-Med
- Pre-Physician's Assistant
- Pre-Nursing
- · Pre-Pharmacy
- Professional Writing
- · Psychology ·
- Social Work

Mass Communication with tracks available in:

- Broadcasting
- Graphic Design
- Public Relations

Psychology

Technical and Professional Studies Youth and Family Ministry

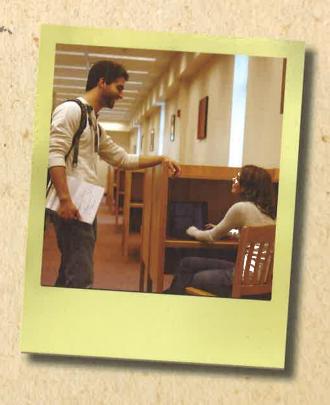
### Teacher Education (BS)

Education, Elementary

- Integrated Science Education
- Language Arts Education
- Mathematics Education
- Social Studies Education

Education, Secondary

- Biology Education
- English Education
- Social Studies Education
- Mathematics Education





Campus Life

The 80-acre Rochester College campus is ideally located in the dynamic region of southeastern Michigan in Rochester Hills, just outside metropolitan Detroit.

### RESIDENTIAL LIFE 💩

Rochester College has four distinctive residential communities for students, all offering convenient access to internal laundry rooms, kitchen facilities, and computer stations.

**Barbier Hall** is an all-men's residence hall primarily for incoming students. It has the capacity to house 50 residents and features separate rooms and community restroom facilities on two floors, as well as a coed lobby where students can watch TV, hang out, or play video games.

**Alma Gatewood Hall** is primarily reserved for incoming students and can house up to 135 residents on three floors. It offers suite-style living with two rooms connected by a common restroom facility, and also offers a coed lobby.

**Ferndale/Hoggatt Hall** has two floors with separate women's and men's wings, each housing up to 70 students. Each wing offers suite-style living, and Dearborn Commons, the large lobby connecting the separate wings, is a central gathering place on campus for a variety of fun activities.

**Palmer Hall** holds nine efficiency apartment-style living units, which are primarily reserved for married students. Each unit includes one room with adjoining walk-in closet and bathroom, and some have kitchen facilities. The units have individual outdoor access and one reserved parking space in front of the building.

### ARISE (A Residential Integrated Student Experience)

ARISE is designed to demonstrate how learning is an integrative experience that involves mind, body, and spirit through student and faculty collaboration. Each semester residential students will have the opportunity to enroll in one of several available tracks to engage in experiential study and exploration. Four tracks are currently available: Mentoring, Service Learning, Art & Culture, and Wellness.

For questions regarding living on campus, contact Dean of Students Brian Cole at 248-218-2040 or bcole 1@ rc.edu:



### MUSIC AND DRAMA DEPARTMENTS

Each spring students may audition for one or more of Rochester College's vocal, instrumental, or theatrical groups. There's the A Cappella Chorus, which performs at local, regional, and national events, or the Rochester Community Chorus, which performs frequently with the Rochester Symphony Orchestra. Students may also audition for Autumn which performs contemporary Christian music for a variety of audiences. Students with instrumental skills may audition for the concert band or string ensemble.

Likewise, students may audition for campus theatre productions or get involved backstage. The theatre department typically produces three plays per academic year, including a musical in the fall as part of homecoming activities.

### INTRAMURALS

The intramural sports program is a vital part of the Rochester College experience. It provides each student with the opportunity to participate in many different recreational activities, whether a beginner or expert.

Rochester College offers intramural competitions in singles, doubles, sport skills, or teamelub activities throughout the year, including flag football, volleyball, basketball, and a Frisbee golf tournament.

### SOCIAL CLUBS

Many students are active in our campus social clubs, which are a good way to meet people and form close bonds with other students. Students may pledge a social club that engages in social activities, competes in intramural athletics, and performs community service projects. Social clubs also perform original dance/music numbers at the annual production, Celebration. There are 10 clubs on campus, and each club takes new members each year.



### CAMPUS MINISTRY

Campus Ministry exists to call for and empower the Rochester College community to a more faithful practice



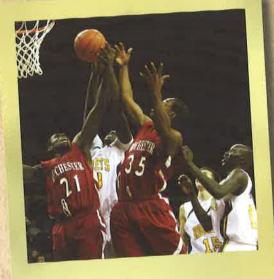
and reflection of Jesus Christ. To this end, Campus Ministry provides regular spiritual life initiatives such as chapel, a monthly Bible study and prayer meeting called Temple, praise and worship nights, and numerous fellowship opportunities. In addition, we coordinate larger events such as Shack-a-thon, Real Hope, and the Global Justice Conference to help our students think globally about how the kingdom of God shapes our world. All of our spiritual life programs—from chapel to spring break mission trips—are designed to encourage our students to grow spiritually. We believe that the richness of the Christian faith is not best expressed as an Intellectual knowledge of certain concepts and prescripts; rather, faith should inform, transform, and empower daily living.

Surrounding Community

Students spend a lot of time on the Rochester College campus. Set on a beautiful 80-acre campus in Rochester Hills, Michigan overlooking the scenic Clinton River, Rochester College is a great place to live, study, and play.

When students feel the need to wander off-campus, the beautiful town of Rochester Hills is the perfect place to go. Rochester Hills is located between Detroit and Flint and was recently selected by Money magazine as the 39th best place to live in the entire United States!

The Detroit area is home to many concert venues and theaters, several professional sports teams, hundreds of great restaurants, and numerous museums. Rochester College offers the closeness of a small community with all the energy and excitement of the nearby cities, as well.

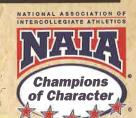


## **Athletics**

Becoming a Rochester College Warrior means you become part of a proud tradition of athletes that has impacted the college and community by their performances on and off the field or court.

Rochester College is a member of the United States Collegiate Athletic Association (USCAA) and is proud to join 82 other member colleges and universities in the USCAA. We have applied to join the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and anticipate acceptance in April 2011. About 45% of Rochester College students are student-athletes. The athletic program is committed to

enriching the lives of our student-athletes through supporting academic dedication and character development on and off the courts and fields.



### **WARRIOR ATHLETIC TEAMS**

Rochester College offers thirteen intercollegiate sports teams for athletic competition.

Men: Baseball (Varsity and Junior Varsity), Basketball (Varsity and Junior Varsity), Soccer, and Golf.

Women: Basketball (Varsity and Junior Varsity), Softball (Varsity and Junior Varsity), Soccer, Volleyball, and Golf.

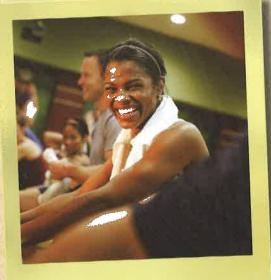
For more information, see the Warrior Athletics website:

www.rochestercollegewarriors.com

### ATHLETIC SUCCESSES

Rochester College boasts a tradition of athletic excellence, winning national titles in men's basketball (1989, 1997, 2004, 2005), men's cross-country (1989, 1990), men's golf (2009, 2010), men's soccer (1996, 2006), women's volleyball (1998, 1999), and 2nd place in the

2009 USCAA Director's Cup.



Life Time Fitness

All students are given the opportunity to be members at Life Time Fitness, a first-class health and fitness facility located directly adjacent to campus and connected by a lighted pathway. Residential students are given FREE memberships, and commuting students are able to purchase memberships at a significantly reduced rate. Students have 24/7 access to the gym and its many amenities, including:

- Hundreds of the latest cardiovascular and weight machines
- Indoor and outdoor pools and water parks with water slides
- · Sport courts and rock climbing caverns
- Hair salon, spa, café, and lounge areas
- Innovative classes, instructors and trainers
- Free lockers and towels
- Anytime access

With one visit to Life Time Fitness, it's clear to students that the center is second to none, convenient, and fun – whatever their interest, experience, fitness level, or schedule.



# **Admissions**

Rochester College is looking for students who want to be a part of our mission and community. We accept students from all over the world and all walks of life. But before you can join the Rochester College family, you must first apply for admission.

### For more information or to apply FREE online, please go to www.rc.edu/admissions

### **Admission Requirements:**

- High School Graduate
- Minimum 2.25 high school cumulative GPA
- Minimum ACT composite score of 18, or a minimum SAT total of 880
- Less than 15 semester hours of college credit

Students who did not graduate high school may be admitted if they earned a minimum GED score of 550 and meet the minimum ACT or SAT score requirements.

### **Transfer Student Admission Requirements:**

- Transcript from each college/university attended
- Minimum 2.25 cumulative GPA for college work

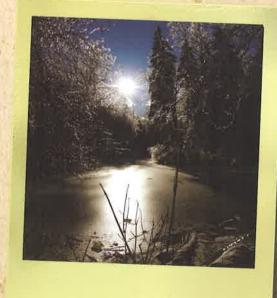
ACT or SAT scores are not required of students who have earned 15 or more college semester hours.

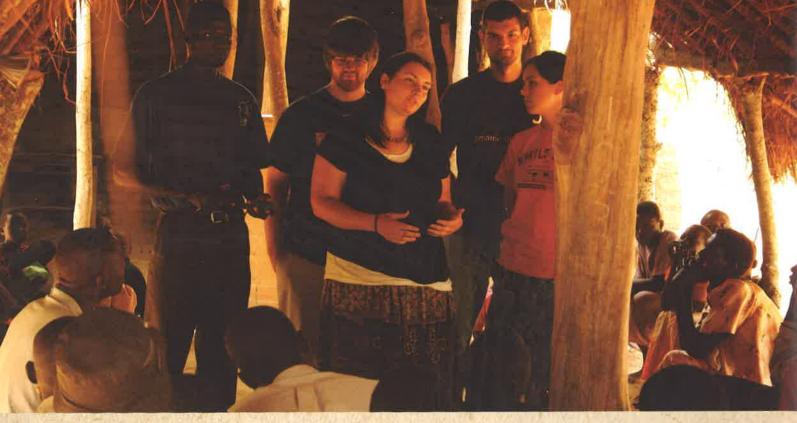
### **Admission Procedure**

To apply for the traditional undergraduate program at Rochester College, the following steps must be completed. If you are also applying for financial aid, it is important to complete these steps as early as possible.

1. Submit a completed application for undergraduate admission to the Admissions Office along with a non-refundable application fee of \$35 (\$100 USD application fee for international students). The application

fee for domestic students is WAIVED if you apply online. Applications are also available from the Admissions Office upon request.





2. Have an official transcript sent to Rochester College. Transcripts are required before an admissions decision will be made. All students graduating from high school must make arrangements to have a final transcript sent to Rochester College after graduation. Students who have completed college work must submit a final high school transcript and an official college transcript. GED graduates must submit an official copy of their GED scores to the Admissions Office.

3. Students who are entering college for the first time and students who are transferring less than 15 semester hours from an accredited college or university are required to submit ACT or SAT scores to Rochester College.

Scores noted on a high school transcript are acceptable.

4. Students planning to live on campus must submit a room reservation form. Housing assignments are made on a first-come, first-served basis once application is made.

5. If you are an international student, please visit

www.rc.edu/pages/admissions-international-student for specific admission requirements.

# Financial Aid

Rochester College's Student Financial Services office partners with students and families to provide financial aid resources to help students achieve a college education.

### **Institutional Aid**

For a list of academic merit awards and other discounts, visit www.rc.edu/pages/scholarships

### Apply For Aid

Rochester College is committed to providing you with all the financial aid resources available to assist you and your family in making a quality Christian education a reality. Our financial aid staff wants to help you in the application process...so feel free to contact them with any questions.



Rochester College awards over \$2,300,000 in academic and leadership scholarships to students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievements and exceptional church and community leadership skills. Rochester College awards over \$11,700,000 in financial aid in the form of grants, scholarships and loans.

Financial aid is available from many sources, and our commitment is to assist you in receiving all the aid for which you are eligible. It is important to apply as early as possible for both Federal/State aid and Rochester College scholarships. Financial aid is available in three forms:

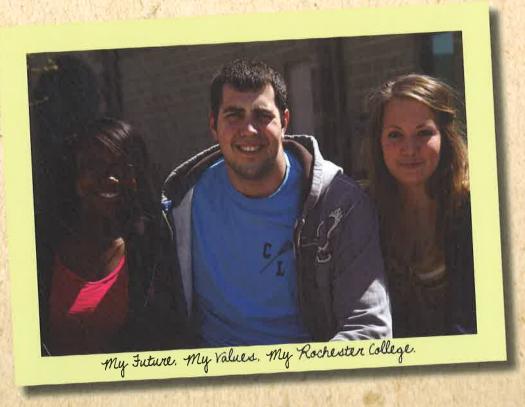
- Grants and scholarships, which do not have to be repaid.
- Work-study provides aid in exchange for work, usually as employment on campus.
- · Loans, which must be repaid.

For instructions on the complete financial aid process, visit www.rc.edu/pages/apply-for-aid

MacBook Program

In the fall of 2008, Rochester College became the first college in the state of Michigan to offer all undergraduate incoming freshmen an Apple MacBook absolutely free. Undergraduate transfer students who enter Rochester College this fall with less than 30 semester credit hours will also be eligible to receive the free MacBook.

It is one of the goals of the college to be sure that students are involved with the latest technology during their studies. Education and technology has developed over the years and Rochester College is on course with the more progressive colleges in the country. One of the primary goals with educational technology that Rochester College has achieved was to create a campus-wide wireless environment. This will provide the possibilities for laptop use in the classroom, library, grounds, virtually anywhere. In time as the technology becomes more tailored for faculty and student interaction, Rochester College will continue to enhance the laptop program.







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