

Karen Benjamin (PTC '93) Named RIT Distinguished Alumna

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Karen Benjamin, a 1993 Professional & Technical Communication (PTC) graduate, was named RIT Distinguished Alumna at an award ceremony last Friday, 11 April. Benjamin is the sixth graduate of the Department of Communication to earn this award.

Following graduation, Benjamin worked for and rose to vice president of Ciber, an international information technology consulting firm. Presently, she is founder and co-owner of Worldleaders, a Rochester-based search firm specializing in hiring top leadership talent for executive clients.

Karen was recognized as an up and coming executive in 2003 by the Rochester Women's Network and in 2004 she was named IT Woman of the Year by the Association for Women in Computing. Benjamin serves on several boards and committees in the Rochester area including St. John's Meadows, the Wilmot Cancer Center Underwriting Committee, Rochester Downtown Development Corp., the Women's Presidents Organization and the Women's Executive Network.

Since 1998 the following DOC graduates have won the RIT Distinguished Alumni Award: Christopher DiFrancesco (PTC, '90), Theresa A. Standish- Kuon (PTC, '88), Martin Tomasi (PTC, '90), Lee E. Berlik (PTC, '92) and Janet P. Ofano (PTC, '97 and CMT, '04).