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## RIT Master's Program in Secondary Education Earns Accreditation

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Rochester Institute of Technology's Master of Science program in Secondary Education of Students Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing, which prepares deaf, hard-of-hearing and hearing graduates for dual certification in both a secondary-level content area and as teachers of students who are deaf or hard-of-hearing, has received accreditation from the national Teacher Education Accreditation Council. The accreditation is effective until June 2012.

"We are pleased with this latest accreditation of our program," said Dr. Gerald Bateman, program director. "We are proud of the high quality alumni who have come through the MSSE program and continue to fill a great need for specialized teachers of deaf and hard-of-hearing students."

The council evaluated all aspects of the MSSE program to assure that it met or exceeded TEAC's standards of program quality and institutional capacity. The program also is approved by the Council on Education of the Deaf and the New York State Education Department.

Since it began in 1995, 156 students have graduated from the program and are teaching in 25 states around the country, most at residential schools for the deaf or as itinerant or resource room teachers in mainstream programs.

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