This message is sent on behalf of Jeremy Haefner, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Colleagues,

I am pleased to share that RIT has introduced an XSeries in [Video Game Design](#) on edx.org. Faculty from the School of Interactive Games and Media in the B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences have been working diligently to bring this XSeries to fruition. We are especially pleased to be partnering with The Strong National Museum of Play on our first offering.

An XSeries is a collection of 3-10 online offerings on a given topic, that when completed results in an edX certificate. These non-credit bearing learning experiences can help drive awareness of RIT both online and on-campus, benefiting the university as a whole.

RIT's XSeries will introduce students to how various roles within the video game design discipline work together, giving them an informed sense of the career paths available. The Video Game Design XSeries consists of five self-paced offerings:

- Video Game Design History
- Video Game Design and Balance
- Video Game Asset Creation and Process
- Video Game Design: Teamwork & Collaboration
- Gameplay Programming for Video Game Designers

This XSeries is the first offering from RIT as part of our partnership with edX and fulfills our first year obligations. RIT's [edX advisory council](#) is working to develop policies and procedures for evaluating and approving the development of future edX offerings. More information regarding the edX partnership will be available in fall semester.

The new online offerings are now open for enrollment. A more formal announcement will take place closer to the launch date scheduled for late October. Please join me in congratulating the collaborative efforts of RIT faculty and staff on this notable milestone: Graham Anthony, Al Biles, JP Dyson, Anne Haake, Neil Hair, Therese Hannigan, Chris Hodge, Dan Howell, Stephen Jacobs, Sten McKinzie, Jeremiah Parry-Hill, Ian Schreiber, David Schwartz, Anne Wahl, Ian Webber, and Joseph Zelazny.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Haefner
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

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