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Welcome to the Starfish page for the RIT community! Within this site you will find an overview of the academic alert system, training documentation, and FAQ's.

## Spring 2185 Academic Progress Surveys\*

Academic Progress survey 2185-1 will open at 7am on Monday February 4th and close at 11pm on Sunday February 24th.

Academic Progress survey 2185-2 will open at 7am on Monday March 4th and close at 11pm on Sunday March 31st (includes RIT Spring Break).

Last day to withdraw with a grade of "W" is Friday April 5, 2019.

All 2185 flags will be Cleared on Monday May 13, 2019.

\*You can send an academic alert at ANY point in the term by using the "Raise Flag" function.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR INSTRUCTORS:

[Starfish Instructor Quick Guide](#)

[How to Complete an Academic Progress Survey Video](#)

Starfish allows the course instructor to easily inform a student that they may be at-risk in specific areas within the course. Advisors assigned to the student also receive notification of the instructors concern. Instructors and advisors can then take a coordinated approach to help students utilize campus resources and develop an action plan.

The progress survey allows an instructor to send alerts related to different aspects of academic performance (attendance/participation, low assignments/tests scores, or multiple concerns). Each topic identified as a concern will generate an automated [email that goes directly to the student](#). We ask that you:

- Check only *ONE* box for the performance area of **greatest** concern
  - Indicate in the comment box any specifics about the alert, including your concerns related to the other performance areas.
  - Selecting more than one box triggers separate emails to the student for *each* area of concern, resulting in multiple emails.
- Any time an instructor raises a flag (via progress survey or "Raise Flag") and includes a comment, the comment is embedded in the standardized [email](#) and *goes directly to the student*. Please direct all comments directly to the student.
- All comments and messages are stored in the Starfish system and are disclosable under FERPA.
- In-person training is highly recommended for instructors to understand the system's additional functionality & communications related to alerts. In the meantime, a user can get a good overview of the system by reviewing the information listed under each of the menu items included on this site.

## Training and Questions:

Training sessions will be offered through CPD on:

- Thursday 2/7/19 @ 10-11am in CIMS 2160
- Wednesday 3/6/19 @ 1-2pm CIMS 2160
- Please register at: <https://www.rit.edu/fa/cpd/starfish-academic-alert-instructors-and-advisors>
- The [step-by-step guides](#) on this site serve as a user guide.
- For individual training or questions, please email [starfish@rit.edu](mailto:starfish@rit.edu) or call 585-475-5057
- If you have any questions not addressed on this site, please contact [starfish@rit.edu](mailto:starfish@rit.edu)

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