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NASA Astronaut Donald Pettit toured RIT Tuesday to learn more about the university's capabilities in photography, imaging science and science. Here, Pettit, on right, meets with Professor Don Figer, director of RIT's Center for Detectors. Student researchers in the Center for Detectors later showed off their work to Pettit. Pettit traveled to RIT to help solve a problem. Digital cameras on the International Space Station are subject to repeated cosmic ray strikes that permanently affect the registering of light levels and degrade cameras, sensors and the images. The students' solutions will ultimately extend the life of onboard space cameras and help recover thousands of damaged photos for NASA.

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