FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS for FRESHMEN STUDENTS – FALL 2015

eCampus username & password: URI’s online system where students are able to, among other tasks, register for classes; check the status of their schedules, bills, grades, financial aid applications; and perform degree audits is called eCampus. If you have not created a username and password for eCampus, you will want to do so. From uri.edu/ecampus, select the first option - “New Users Register Here!” and follow the prompts.

URI ID card: You can visit the Campus ID & Dining Office in Memorial Union 216 to have your official URI ID card made. When you do so, you need to have registered for at least one class and present photo ID to verify your birthday.

EmergencyALERT notifications: In the event of an on-campus emergency or severe weather that would cause cancellation of classes, URI uses the EmergencyALERT program to simultaneously & quickly contact the entire campus community via voicemail, text and email. To register:
1. Log onto eCampus.
2. Select the URI Emergency Alert System choice from the left-hand menu, and follow the related links.

URI email address: URI student email is powered by Google’s Gmail at my.uri.edu. Your userID will be the same as it is for eCampus and your default password is your birthday in the MMDDYYYY format (no spaces, no backslashes or dashes). Your email address will be userID@my.uri.edu. If you have any trouble with your email account, you can contact the HELP Desk at (401) 874-HELP.

Fall 2015 Common Reading: Every year the University selects a common reading book for the incoming class. Students are expected to read the book during the summer and the text will be integrated into fall course curriculum. Please visit http://web.uri.edu/newstudent/commonread/ for more information.

Textbooks: Books, supplies, and URI gear can be purchased on the lower level of the Memorial Union. Consider applying for a convenient store charge account at the URI Bookstore for easy purchases and refund or exchange. bookstore.uri.edu

Parking permits: For any car parking on-campus, a permit is required. Starting August 1, both commuter and resident student permits can be purchased online at uri.edu/parking/purchasedecal.html. At the bottom of the page, click Purchase Decal and, when prompted, enter URI as your parking destination to complete the registration. You will be able to print a temporary permit and the car decal will be mailed to you. For a map of appropriate parking lots, visit uri.edu/parking

The University of Rhode Island is an equal opportunity employer committed to community, equity, and diversity and to the principles of affirmative action.
RIPTA Bus passes: If you will be commuting to campus via the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority, you can purchase a monthly RIPTA pass for a discounted rate at the Information Desk in our Memorial Union. (You will need to bring your URI ID card when purchasing a RIPTA pass).

Tuition bills: Tuition bills will be available at the end of July and can be viewed in eCampus. Questions about your bill can be directed to the Enrollment Services office on the 2nd floor of Green Hall or 401-874-9500.

Medical Insurance requirement: All full-time and international URI students are required to have medical insurance. If you are insured under a plan of your own or your family’s, you will need to waive the URI medical insurance. This can be done online starting July 1 and after you have registered for classes. Please visit health.uri.edu and you will see the link to the waiver on the right side of the page.

Immunization requirement: R.I. State law requires proof of immunity for:
1. Rubella (German Measles) -- MMR vaccine preferred
2. Mumps -- MMR vaccine preferred
3. Rubeola (Measles) -- MMR vaccine preferred
4. Tetanus, Diphtheria: Booster dose of Td within the last ten (10) years.
5. Hepatitis B
6. Varicella (Chicken Pox)

*Note: Meningitis vaccination is recommended for those living in residence halls. Additionally, some academic programs/majors might have additional immunization requirements. Please check with your academic department.*

If records cannot be obtained, the immunization is offered for the cost of the serum to any registered student who has paid the health fee. Should you have any questions regarding immunizations - please contact our Immunization Office at 401-874-4612 or visit health.uri.edu/immunizations.php. Proof of immunization should be received by August 15.

Student Clubs and Organizations: There are more than 80 student clubs and organizations that you can get involved in here at URI. Information on what is currently available and contact information for the organizations can be found at uri.edu/studentorg/

URI Master Events Calendar: Visit uri.edu/events to find out what is happening on Campus, including many student organization event and meetings. Your log-in will be your eCampus username and email password.

Social Media Connection to Office of New Student Programs: “Like” us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/rhodyorientation or follow us on Twitter @NewRhodyRam and Instagram @newrhodyram. Also “like” our Family Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/classof2019RAMilies

Please note that the first day of Fall 2015 classes is Wednesday, September 9, 2015. You can find the entire official academic calendar at http://www.uri.edu/es/calexams/detailedcalendar.pdf