General Admission Requirements

All students must meet basic college-preparatory unit requirements (typically completed in high school): 4 in English, 3 in math (Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry), 2 in science, 2 in history/social science, and 2 units in the same foreign language.

If you have attempted fewer than 24 transferable credits you must earn a minimum 2.8 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) and meet all freshman admission requirements.

If you have attempted at least 24 transferable credits you must earn a minimum 2.5 GPA (on a 4.0 scale).

If you have earned an Associate's or Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution, you must earn a minimum 2.4 GPA (on a 4.0 scale).

Business Majors

Admission to the following majors is extremely competitive. Only a small percentage of transfer applicants are admitted annually.

All transfer students must complete all core business prerequisites with a cumulative GPA of 2.70 or higher (i.e. no grade lower than a “C” before they are eligible for admission to the following majors application.

- Accounting
- Management
- Finance
- General Business
- Global Business
- Marketing
- Supply Chain Management

Core business prerequisites include:

- Calculus (or QBA 1 & 2)
- Business Statistics
- Microeconomics
- Macroeconomics
- Financial Accounting
- Managerial Accounting

Applicants who accept admission to any non-business major at URI will not be considered for on-campus change-of-major (internal transfer) to the business majors at a later date. We do not anticipate any changes to this policy.

Application Deadlines

Spring Admission - December 15
Fall Admission – June 1

Transcripts are due no later than 10 days after the application deadline.

While students may be completing their prerequisites in the term during which they are applying, admission priority is given to students with fewer prerequisites remaining at the time of transfer.
Textiles Majors

Admission preference is given to applicants who have completed college-level, academic courses covering a range of subjects including mathematics, communications, humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and fine and performing arts. Remedial/developmental courses and vocational courses (i.e. culinary, applied technical science) are not transferable.

- Textile Marketing
- Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design

Application Process

Transfer applicants are required to use the Transfer Common Application and submit official transcripts. Submitting “School Forms” is not required. A completed application includes:

- Completed Transfer Common Application submitted online
- $65 application fee
- Official electronic or official printed transcripts from all post-secondary institutions whether or not you desire or expect to receive credit for such work. Electronic transcripts should be e-mailed to transferadmission@uri.edu.
- Official high school transcript unless you have an Associate’s or Bachelor’s degree in a subject similar in content to what is offered at URI.
- If you have fewer than 24 credits, you must have your SAT or ACT scores sent electronically to URI by the testing agency.
- Students with more than 60 credits must choose a major other than “Undecided.”

Transfer Scholarships

No separate application is required for our merit-based scholarships, but all students who would like to be considered for any merit award must apply by June 1 for fall and December 1 for spring, and submit all supporting documents by June 15 for fall and January 15 for spring. Merit awards are not available to students who have already earned a bachelor’s degree.

Transfer Merit Award

Preference for our highest-level awards will be given to students with:

- A minimum of 24 transferable college credits (based on a semester system) in a diversified program of study.
- A cumulative grade point average of 3.3.

Scholarships are renewable for up to six consecutive semesters, as long as the student maintains full-time enrollment and a grade point average of 3.0 or higher.

Phi Theta Kappa Transfer Scholarship

Awarded to Phi Theta Kappa scholars holding an associate degree who have achieved a minimum grade point average of 3.5. Additional eligibility requirements include:

- Current membership in Phi Theta Kappa
- URI must be your first four-year institution

Scholarships are renewable for up to four consecutive semesters, as long as students maintain full-time enrollment and a grade point average of 3.0 or higher.