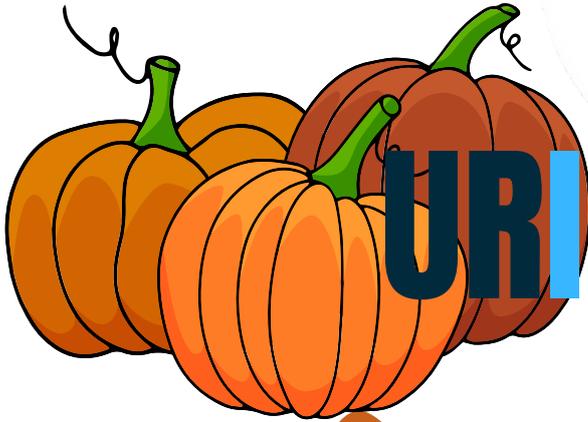


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UR INCLUDED

October

Newsletter



Welcome to the first issue of the academic year of URIncluded, a monthly digital newsletter from the Office of Community, Equity, and Diversity. URIncluded showcases URI's broadly representative and diverse community, bringing it together by keeping the University updated on important inclusion initiatives. Who will it take to foster an inclusive culture? YOU. You are included.

Upcoming Events



OCT
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SERVICES AT 5:30
DINNER AT 6:30
*Hillel's Shabbat in the
Sukkah at Hillel*

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11:00AM-2:00PM
*GSC- National Coming
Out Day Resource Fair,
Quad*

OCT
17

12:00PM - 6:00PM
*Women's Center - RBB
Women's Conference*

OCT
17

6:00PM - 8:00PM
*GSC - Safe N' Sexy
Bingo, CBLS Auditorium*

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5:30PM - 7:30PM
*GSC - Impact Boston
Self Defense Class, MPR
& Conference Room*

OCT
30

1:00PM - 3:00PM
*MAVE X URI Police -
Meet police dog "Riot",
RM 113 Memorial Union*

OCT
30

8:00 PM - 10:00PM
*GSC - 50th Anniversary
Rocky Horror Picture
Show, Edwards
Auditorium*

[TO REGISTER AND VIEW MORE EVENTS CLICK HERE](#)



➤➤➤ FLOURISH FEST AND DAY OF KINDNESS SEPTEMBER 11TH

The MAVE center was a co-sponsor for the URI Campus Recreation FloURish Festival, which celebrated wellness with the URI community, offering programs and services that holistically enrich students' lives emotionally, financially, intellectually, socially, and physically.

➤➤➤ SPILL THE TEA SEPTEMBER 17TH

The Women's Center hosted its first Spill the Tea Event for the academic school year with guest speaker Miss Rhode Island, USA, Brianna Vega, a graduate from URI and a TD alum. Vega shared her story of passion, perseverance, and purpose from healthcare to the pageant stage.

➤➤➤ HOMECOMING WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 20TH

At the Rhodyville Block Party, the URI community came together to celebrate homecoming and tailgate in the parking lot before kickoff! The Alumni of Color Network, CED, and the Centers, along with many student organizations, were present to showcase the importance of community to cheer on the URI football team.

➤➤➤ A TASTE OF CULTURE SEPTEMBER 24TH

The MSSC and Women's Center collaborated to host "A Taste of Culture," which featured URI/TD alums Henry Rodriguez, 15, and Bryan Solano-Reyes, 14, former leaders of the multicultural student organization eXposure. They provided dance lessons in bachata, merengue, and salsa to kick off Hispanic Heritage Month.



CAMPUS GALLERY



URI 2025 Homecoming Weekend



Miss Rhode Island USA at Spill the Tea Event

WORD OF THE MONTH

Accessibility: Accessibility expands opportunities for individuals of all abilities by removing physical, technological, and systemic barriers that may prevent full participation in society through reasonable accommodations, inclusive work and public spaces, and more.

CULTURAL CELEBRATIONS

➤➤➤ YOM KIPPUR
OCTOBER 1ST - OCTOBER 2ND

➤➤➤ HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH
SEPTEMBER 15TH - OCTOBER 15TH

➤➤➤ SUKKOT
OCTOBER 6TH - 13TH

➤➤➤ BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
OCTOBER 1ST - 31ST

➤➤➤ SHEMINI ATZERET
OCTOBER 13TH - 14TH

➤➤➤ ITALIAN HERITAGE MONTH
OCTOBER 1ST - 31ST

➤➤➤ INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
OCTOBER 14TH

➤➤➤ DISABILITY EMPLOYEE
AWARENESS MONTH
OCTOBER 1ST - 31ST

➤➤➤ SIMHAT TORAH
OCTOBER 14TH - 15TH

➤➤➤ LGBTQ+ LIBERATION MONTH
OCTOBER 1ST - 31ST



ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNIVERSITY DIVERSITY COUNCIL APPLICATION OPEN

The University Diversity Council, comprised of undergraduate and graduate students, affiliates, staff, and faculty, and alumni representatives, advances, assesses, and amplifies inclusive excellence initiatives at URI in furtherance of Focus URI Strategic Priority 3 to foster an inclusive, people-centered culture.

UDC members are selected from an open nomination process. Self-nominations will be accepted. Nominees will be asked to complete a brief application. A nominating committee composed of CED staff will review applications and make recommendations to the president, ensuring representation from each of the categories outlined above. The president will make the final decision on all members, as confirmed by appointment letters sent to each selected member and their dean, division leader, and direct supervisor. Selected members will be asked to commit to six meetings per academic year (three meetings each semester) and attend subcommittee meetings as needed.

KRISTY A. EMBRACK JOINED THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY, EQUITY, AND DIVERSITY AS DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT



Learn more about Kristy's journey on our [website!](#)



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WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

Our office comprises administrative staff, undergraduate and graduate student staff, and center directors. Visit the [CED staff page](#) for more info.

CED houses four centers that foster community and promote inclusion.

- [Gender and Sexuality Center \(GSC\)](#)
- [Women's Center \(WC\)](#)
- [Multicultural Student Services Center \(MSSC\)](#)
- [Military and Veteran Education Center \(MAVE\)](#)

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FALL