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For the class entering Fall 2022

Navigating Enrollment Services:

Undergraduate Financial Aid, Billing & Registration

WELCOME TO URI

Welcome to the University of Rhode Island! To ensure a smooth college career, Enrollment Services assembled this guide for students entering in Fall 2022.

Enrollment Services is a one-stop office for financial aid, billing, and student records located in Green Hall. We are committed to making your experience as simple and straightforward as possible.

While this guide is written for students, we also believe it can help parents and families. We understand that parents, just like students, sometimes need a hand with the transition to college life. At URI we understand that parents and families are major contributors to student success, both financially and emotionally. To that end, we would like you to know that we are here to support students and their families.

We hope you will find the enclosed information useful in preparing to attend the University of Rhode Island. If you have questions, feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

The Enrollment Services Team

CONNECT WITH US
web.uri.edu/enrollment/contact/

401.874.9500 (phone)
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Link to our: Virtual Zoom Lobby

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Billing, Financial Aid & Registration
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401.874.9500

Housing and Residential Life
web.uri.edu/housing/ |
401.874.4151

Dining Services
web.uri.edu/dining | 401.874.2055

Health Services
health.uri.edu | 401.874.2246

Undergraduate Admission
uri.edu/admission 401.874.7000

University College for Academic Success
Advising & Rhody Day Trip
web.uri.edu/ucas | 401.874.2993

Campus Store
Textbooks and Box & Carry
campusstore.uri.edu | 401.874.2722

IT Service Desk
e-Campus, Email & Brightspace
its.uri.edu | 401.874.HELP

THE BASICS

e-Campus

STUDENT E-CAMPUS LOGIN

E-Campus is the University's student records system. It's a single portal that allows access to registration, grades, billing, financial aid information, and residence hall housing. It is accessed at web.uri.edu/ecampus.

Most students create an e-Campus account shortly after acceptance. This username follows students throughout their entire URI career. To create an account, visit web.uri.edu/ecampus and click First Time Users Register Here. If you forgot your password or username, click Forgot your Password? or Forgot your UserID? or call 401.874.HELP.

Students may grant parents and family members access to their e-Campus accounts through RhodyShare. For directions, see page 8.

Submit Enrollment Deposit

An enrollment deposit confirms your intent to attend URI and apply for on-campus housing. The deposit is $300 for commuters or $500 if you plan to live in a residence hall.

Submit your deposit in e-Campus. In e-Campus, navigate to URI Student Services -> Enrollment Deposit.

or

in person by cash or check (no credit cards) at
Enrollment Services
Green Hall
35 Campus Ave.
Kingston, RI 02881

We do not accept payments by phone.

Sign up for Virtual and In-Person Orientation Events

For the incoming class of 2022, the Rhode to Becoming a Ram is a journey that provides online and in-person programs to help orient you to URI. For example, you'll connect with other incoming Rhody Rams, meet with an academic advisor, sign up for classes and learn more about our small, beautiful place filled with big thinkers like you. Visit https://web.uri.edu/newram/ for more information.

If you have any questions, please email rhode2ram@uri.edu.

URI Student Email

Enrollment Services will send important information - including your e-bill and financial aid information - to your @uri.edu student email address. It is important that you check it frequently throughout the summer and while attending the University.

Powered by Gmail, your student account is accessible from virtually any browser on most devices, including your phone or tablet.
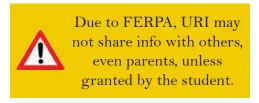
A few days after your deposit, you will receive a notification via your personal email about your URI email account. Follow the set-up instructions to log into your URI email.

The first thing you MUST DO before accessing your new email account is to change your password.

1. Go to: https://password.uri.edu/self
2. Enter your account: e-Campus ID
3. Enter your current password:
4. *** If you do not know your password, contact the Virtual Service Desk at https://its.uri.edu for assistance.
5. Choose a new password according to the password requirements.
6. NOTE: This will change your password for all Enterprise applications, except for e-Campus.
7. Instructions for other things you can do can be found at the URI website: https://its.uri.edu/getting-started-students/   7

For assistance, contact the Virtual Service Desk at its.uri.edu.

FERPA: The Student Privacy Law

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) governs what information the University can share with others about students, even with parents or guardians. Protected information includes grades, choice of major, course

Due to FERPA, URI may not share info with others, even parents, unless granted by the student.

registration, financial aid and billing. This applies even to students under the age of 18.

To accommodate students who wish to share their information with parents and others, the University offers RhodyShare.

RhodyShare: Share Your Record with Others

Students may grant others, such as parents, access to information through e-Campus.

1. Log in to e-Campus
2. Click URI Student Services
3. Click Rhody Share: Share Your Info
4. Next to URI ID enter the desired username of your guest. The username will be "URI_NameYouEnter"
5. Enter a password for your guest and confirm the password
6. Enter the email address for your guest
7. Decide what information you will share by selecting Y or N for Student Financials (Billing), Student Records, and/or Financial Aid
8. Click Save
9. You must provide your guest the username and password and wait one business day for the system to update. Guests may log in to e-Campus using the username and password you created.

You can add additional guests by clicking the plus sign. You may delete guests by clicking the minus sign.

Sign up for Courses (Registration)

All students use e-Campus to register for classes. Incoming first year students register for their courses with their academic advisor. Transfer students should check https://web.uri.edu/transfer/ for the latest information on course registration.

Send Advanced Placement (AP) Scores

URI accepts select Advanced Placement tests for college credit. Tests and scores accepted are at web.uri.edu/admission/advanced-placement

To receive credit, send URI the official score report. We strongly recommend students request College Board send scores electronically. Scores must be sent to Enrollment Services. Do not mail AP scores to Admission, University College or elsewhere.

To request your scores:

Ask on your AP exam for the scores to go to URI (School Code 3919) *or* Online at apscore.collegeboard.org

It is okay if the scores are not received by the University prior to your advising appointment. This will not impact your class selection. Advisors understand that scores typically do not arrive until after orientation. Inform your advisor of your test and score during your course registration meeting.

Credit from other institutions or early enrollment programs

If you took classes at another institution of higher education or through an early enrollment program, send your *official* transcript to the Office of Admission: URI Office of Admission, Newman Hall, 14 Upper College Road, Kingston, RI 02881.

Preferred First Name (Optional)

URI believes in the importance of equity and creating an inclusive campus environment where people can be their authentic selves. In that vein, URI allows any student to optionally indicate a preferred first name to the campus community, regardless of legal first name status. Set your preferred name in e-Campus under Self Service -> Campus Personal Information -> Names.

PAY FOR COLLEGE

Apply for Financial Aid / File a FAFSA

You must apply for financial aid every year by filing a Free Application for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA). You can file a FAFSA as early as Oct. 1 each year for the academic year starting the following fall. You only need to file this one online application to be eligible for all federal, state and University financial aid. We strongly recommend you use the IRS Data Retrieval tool to transfer your IRS tax information directly into your FAFSA.

After you submit the FAFSA, a Student Aid Report will be generated and emailed to you. This report contains your calculated Expected Family Contribution (EFC). You should review the report and verify all of the information is correct. If necessary, corrections should be made through the FAFSA website.

To file your FAFSA:

1. Visit studentaid.gov
2. Click Start A New FAFSA
   Be sure to include the URI School Code 003414
   Be sure to choose the correct aid year

How URI calculates your aid

Most financial aid at URI is awarded to students on the basis of demonstrated financial need. To determine financial need, URI calculates the difference between the total Cost of Attendance, which includes tuition, fees, books, room, meals, transportation and miscellaneous expenses, minus the Expected Family Contribution (EFC). At the time your financial aid application is reviewed, you are considered for all types of financial assistance, including grants, loans and federal work study.

web.uri.edu/enrollment

Financial Aid Verification

Verification is initiated by the U.S. Department of Education or the Enrollment Services Financial Aid office. If your application is selected for verification, you will be contacted and must submit appropriate documentation. You will not be eligible to receive financial aid until this process is finalized, so submit the requested documentation promptly.

To see required documents:
1. Log in to e-Campus
2. On the right, look under the box titled To Do List
3. Click an item for detailed information

Provide your tax return transcript

If you are selected for verification, the **IRS data retrieval tool** may minimize the amount of documentation required to satisfy your verification requirement.

If you are selected for verification and do not use the IRS data retrieval tool, you may be asked to submit an IRS tax return transcript and verification worksheet found at web.uri.edu/financial-aid/forms/. A signed copy of the tax return is also acceptable.

To obtain a copy of your IRS tax return transcript, log on to the IRS website at irs.gov. Under Tools select Order a Return or Account Transcript or use the mobile app IRS2GO. You may also contact the IRS directly at 1.800.908.9946.

Please note the IRS will not send your paper tax transcript to URI. You must forward it to URI.

Private 30-minute Counseling
Monday-Friday 8:30pm -4pm
Undergraduates: Schedule appointment in Starfish web.uri.edu/starfish
Parents & Graduate Students: Schedule by calling 401.874.9500 or emailing: urifinaidcounseling@etal.uri.edu

Understand Your Financial Aid

Your financial aid award includes all offers of scholarships, grants, loans and federal work study eligibility. Not all students are eligible for all awards. Only those for which you are eligible appear on your letter.

As a freshman, you will receive a letter with your financial aid award through Slate. As an upperclass student, you will receive an email to your @uri.edu account in June notifying you that your award is available in e-Campus. All students may view financial aid awards, as well as accept or decline all or a portion of their loans, through eCampus.

See your financial aid award in eCampus:

1. Click Self Service
2. Click Campus Finances
3. Click View/Decline awards

Important Notes

- **Your awards are for the entire academic year.** Generally each award will be split evenly between semesters.

- **Your award could change in future years** if your FAFSA reflects a change in your or your family's income or, in some cases, if you change majors or your legal residency.

- **Federal loans** are taken through the U.S. Department of Education that must be repaid when a student graduates, withdraws, or drops below half-time enrollment (6 credits). Funds are credited directly to your student account upon completion of entrance counseling, a master promissory note and loan acceptance in e-Campus. For more about loans visit web.uri.edu/financial-aid/loans/.

- **Alternative loans** are managed through private lenders and issued in the student's and/or parent's name. In most cases, alternative loans in the student's name require a credit worthy co-signer. URI does not maintain a preferred lender list. Students may borrow up to the cost of attendance minus any other financial aid. Terms and interest rates vary. A separate application is required through each private lender. We suggest that families "shop around" to obtain the best rate and terms. More at: web.uri.edu/financial-aid/loans/ under Other Types of Loans.

Scholarships & Grants

Merit Scholarships
(Presidential, Phi Theta Kappa, Think Big RI, University Scholarship, Transfer Merit Award, Transfer Achievement Award)

Are awarded by Undergraduate Admission at the time of application to URI and do not need to be repaid. All students who receive these awards are subject to the guidelines in the notification letter and at web.uri.edu/financial-aid/grants-and-scholarships/scholarship-guidelines/. URI will accept these on your behalf.

Grants
(University, Founders, Pell, Fed. Sup. Ed. Op.)

Do not need to be repaid and are based on financial need. Federal grants include the Pell Grant and Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant. Since these funds are need-based, the type and amount may change if your financial need changes each year with your FAFSA filing or upon verification. URI will accept these on your behalf.

Federal College Work Study

This need-based program provides part-time employment during the academic year. Earnings do not need to be repaid. The award represents the maximum amount a student may earn during the academic year. This money is paid to the student in a paycheck based on hours worked and are not applied to the bill. Jobs may be with University departments or certain private non-profit or for-profit organizations approved by Enrollment Services. To find jobs visit web.uri.edu/career. This website also lists on-campus jobs open to students without work study.

Types of Federal Loans

Interest rates subject to change
The federal government will release 2022-23 interest rates for subsidized, unsubsidized and parent loans in mid-summer. Last year's rates are shown for reference.

Subsidized Loan (William D. Ford Loan)
Who: Undergraduate students who demonstrate financial need
About: The federal government generally pays the borrower's interest while the student is in school and during certain other periods, thereby subsidizing these loans.
2021-22 Interest Rate: 3.73% **Origination Fee:** 1.057%

Unsubsidized Loan (William D. Ford Loan)
Who: Undergraduate students; not need based
About: Borrower pays the interest throughout the life of the loan.
2021-22 Interest Rate: 3.73% **Origination Fee:** 1.057%

Parent Loan (William D. Ford Loan)
Who: Parents of dependent undergraduate students enrolled at least half-time; borrowers must not have adverse credit history and meet eligibility requirements for federal aid; not need based
About: See studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans/plus
2021-22 Interest Rate: 6.28% **Origination Fee:** 4.228%

Health Professions Loans
Who: Full-time students in the College of Pharmacy with demonstrated financial need
About: Repayment begins 12 months after graduation or end of at least half-time enrollment.
2021-22 Interest Rate: 5%

Nursing Loans
Who: Full-time students in the College of Nursing with demonstrated financial need
About: Repayment begins 9 months after graduation or end of at least half-time enrollment.
2021-22 Interest Rate: 5%

Accept or Decline Federal Student Loans

Accept or decline loans:

1. Log in to **e-Campus**
2. Click Self Service
3. Click Campus Finances
4. Click Accept/Decline Awards first time.
5. Check the loans to accept and enter desired amounts
6. Click submit

All first-time student loan borrowers <u>must</u> complete Federal Entrance Counseling and the Master Promissory Note

1. Go to: **studentaid.gov**
2. Select Complete Aid Process on the top navigation bar
3. Select and complete Entrance Counseling
4. Select and complete the Master Promissory Note

Apply for a Federal Direct Parent Plus Loan

Parents borrowing through the Federal Direct Parent Loan Program (PLUS) at URI must complete the following:

1. Go to: **studentaid.gov**
2. Select Apply for Aid on the top navigation bar
3. Select Apply for a Parent Plus Loan
4. Parent logs in and completes the application. Be sure to complete the required instant credit check.* Credit check decisions are good for 180 days. If approved, proceed to next step.
5. Parent completes a master promissory note (MPN) in the parent's name at studentaid.gov
6. Parent completes the URI supplemental Parent Loan application at web.uri.edu/financial-aid/loans/parent-plus-loan/

*If not approved, the borrower may choose not to pursue the loan, obtain an endorser, or appeal the credit decision following directions on studentaid.gov. Students may also be eligible for additional unsubsidized loans. Contact Enrollment Services at 401.874.9500 for more information. Parents & students also have the option to borrow through a private lender.

URI Costs

The cost of URI is unique for every student and depends whether the student is a Rhode Island resident, the number of credits enrolled, housing and meal plan choices, eligibility for financial aid, etc. For details, visit web.uri.edu/tuition-billing/tuition-and-fees/

2022-2023 Tuition & Fees for Full-Time Students (12-19 credits)

Residency	Annual Cost
In-State	$15,880
Out of State	$34,362
Regional	$26,070

First Year Housing For room descriptions, visit web.uri.edu/housing/

Building	Annual Cost
Adams, Barlow, Bressler, Browning, Butterfield, Fayerweather, Gorham, Heathman, Hutchinson, Merrow, Peck, Tucker, Weldin	$8,684
Hillside	$10,034

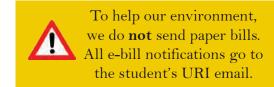## Meal Plans For plan descriptions, visit web.uri.edu/dining/

Plan	Annual Cost
Unlimited Standard	$4,900
Unlimited Plus	$5,250
Unlimited Complete	$5,650

Other Costs (These additional expenses are not billed by URI, but students should budget for these out-of-pocket expenses.

Item	Annual Cost
Books & Supplies	$1,250
Transportation	$266 (RI Resident) $997 (Non-RI resident)
Miscellaneous	$2,242

View Your Bill

URI invoices students electronically. We do not mail paper bills. Fall semester e-Bills are posted in mid-July and

payment is due in late August. Spring semester e-Bills are posted in mid-December with payment due in early January.

The e-Bill includes costs for tuition, fees, and housing/meal plan charges for students living on campus. The fee for accident/sick insurance will be charged, but an adjustment will be posted if a waiver is submitted and approved (see page 19). All federal financial aid accepted by the student will show on the e-Bill, and a net balance due is shown.

To view your e-Bill:

1. Log in to e-Campus
2. Click URI Student Financials
3. Click My E-Bill
4. Click Submit

To view your real-time account summary:

1. Log in to e-Campus
2. Click URI Student Financials
3. Click My Account Summary
4. Select a term
5. Click View Account Detail

Pay your bill

Electronic payments are strongly encouraged and can be made directly through the e-Bill. For those who prefer to pay by check, a payment coupon can be printed and should be submitted with the check.

Parent and/or Family Access to the e-Bill and Account Summary

Students have the ability to give their parents, or other appropriate individuals, access to their e-Bills and their e-Campus Account Summary.

Instructions for providing others with e-Bill access can be found at web.uri.edu/tuition-billing/view-your-ebill-and-make-payment/

Instructions for providing others with e-Campus Account Summary access can be found under RhodyShare on page 8.

The URI Tuition Payment Plan

The University offers a monthly payment plan for families wishing to budget their annual term bill expenses into monthly installments. There is a cost of $25 for each semester plan. Plan information for the 2022/2023 academic year will be available on our website at web.uri.edu/enrollment. Enrollment will begin May 1 and the first payment date for the Fall 2023 semester will be June 1.

Student Refunds

Refunds occur if you make a change to your enrollment that reduces tuition and fee charges, or if you choose a less expensive meal plan or housing option after paying your bill. Financial aid refunds occur because students take out extra loan money to cover costs for books or a computer, as well as off-campus housing and living expenses.

URI offers students three choices for receiving refunds: 1) Direct deposit to any bank account 2) A refund debit card or 3) Paper check by mail

Shortly after orientation you will receive a refund packet in the mail with information that you'll need to select a preference. Once a preference has been chosen, all refunds will be delivered in that manner. Establishing a refund preference prior to the fall semester helps avoid refund delays.

Health Insurance Requirements and Waivers

All full-time students must have health insurance. A charge for URI's Accident/Sick Health Insurance plan will appear on the fall e-Bill. Students with comparable coverage may file a waiver and, if approved, the charge will be removed. More information is available at health.uri.edu. Questions should be directed to Health Services at health@uri.edu or 401.874.4774.

To waive the school health insurance (must be completed annually):

1. Log in to e-Campus
2. Click "URI Student Services"
3. Click "Insurance Waiver"
4. Complete the information requested and click Save

THINK BIG WE DO

Green Hall
Home of Enrollment Services