Self-Guided Tour

THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF ADMISSION
Robert J. Higgins Welcome Center
45 Upper College Road, Kingston, R.I. 02881
Welcome

The University of Rhode Island offers you a welcoming community, a beautiful campus near the ocean, and countless options to help you Think Big about your future. We are pleased to introduce you to a few of the many opportunities our Kingston Campus has to offer. We hope you’ll come see us again.

Digital Tour
Scan the QR code to access the podcast version of our self-guided tour on your phone as you explore, and to read about important visitor safety guidelines. It’s narrated by our expert tour guide and WRIU radio personality Christi. You’ll get inside tips about the campus and surrounding area.

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This podcast is now available on all major streaming platforms (search: “University of Rhode Island”). You can also find it here: anchor.fm/uricampustourpodcast

Traditional Tour

Begin your tour at the Robert J. Higgins Welcome Center at 45 Upper College Road, using the enclosed center fold-out map.

We recommend navigating the numbered route sequentially in order to mirror our traditional tour. You also may choose to explore some of the additional campus sites if you have time.

1 The Robert J. Higgins Welcome Center, our 11,000-square-foot gateway to the University, is named for a banking industry leader, alumnus, and longtime URI supporter. Visitors enjoy this immersive space, including a history wall highlighting alumni, student life, and academic programs.

2 Ranger Hall houses the Harrington School of Communication and Media, where students learn in interactive classrooms with access to the latest digital media equipment and software. It also features premier studios, editing suites, and a career center so students are well-prepared to share their stories with the world.

3 Quinn Hall is home to the Graduate School, the College of Health Sciences, and the Department of Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design. It also features a gallery of historic textiles and costumes—20,000 items from around the world—considered one of the best university collections of its kind in the country.

4 The Memorial Student Union is the heart of campus life and home to more than 300+ clubs and organizations, the URI Campus Store, Campus Dining, Center for Student Leadership, and more. Here, students are able to find a sense of belonging by meeting friends, getting involved, and staying connected.
5 The Quadrangle is the focal point of our beautiful campus, a much-loved gathering place surrounded by historic academic buildings. With Wi-Fi access and plenty of space, students socialize, study, and enjoy four seasons of outdoor activities here. Movies, lobster bakes, farmers’ markets, New Student Orientation, and Commencement are some of the events that take place here.

6 The Fascitelli Center for Advanced Engineering is our newly constructed engineering complex. Showcasing ultramodern architectural design, the building is home to students in our biomedical, chemical, civil, computer, electrical, industrial and systems, mechanical, and ocean engineering programs. It offers immersive, active-learning classrooms and conference rooms, as well as premier labs and an interdisciplinary research loft for experiential and computational research.

7 Lippitt Hall is one of the oldest buildings on campus. It houses the Department of Mathematics and the University Honors Program, which offers innovative courses, dedicated faculty, and national scholarship advising. A thriving intellectual hub for undergraduates, our Honors Program space includes an Opportunity Zone with computer labs, conference room, office, workroom, and auditorium. The program also presents our popular fall Honors Colloquium, URI’s leading public lecture series.

8 Ballentine Hall houses the College of Business, offering programs in finance, global business, innovation and entrepreneurship, textile merchandising, and more. Practical internships with industry leaders like Merrill Lynch, Marie Claire, and BMW ensure that students are prepared to work in a rapidly changing global marketplace. Students are able to develop their skills through a real-time stock exchange room on site.

9 The Robert L. Carothers Library and Learning Commons is a renovated, expansive building where students and the greater community can study, research, and innovate. It features collaborative work spaces, a 24-hour study room, and a Media Resource Center. It’s also home to our Artificial Intelligence Lab and Makerspace, providing students with shared access to new technologies, like 3D printers and virtual reality devices.

10 Avedisian Hall is home to the College of Pharmacy, which offers competitive, specialized training for the pharmaceutical and life science industries. Our students work alongside nationally and internationally renowned researchers in high-tech classrooms and simulation labs using 3D printing, projection, and animation to learn real-life applications of their work.
Roosevelt Hall is home to the University College for Academic Success (UCAS), which houses the Center for Career and Experiential Education, New Student Programs, Transfer Resource Center, and Counseling Center. Here students find support for every step of their journey, including Orientation, academic advising, tutoring, career guidance, and internship assistance.

Hope Commons provides our community with a variety of healthy, fresh foods, including seasonal, locally sourced seafood and organic, terraponic vegetables grown on site. Sustainability is also a top priority—our cooking oil is recycled into biofuel, and our dining hall waste is composted for regional farmers. Mainfare and Butterfield halls are designed for sit-down dining, while Rhody Market was created for grab-and-go snacking. The Rhody Eatz food truck provides another dining option.

White Hall houses the College of Nursing, where modern simulation labs and programmable mannequins offer students opportunities to build diagnostic and treatment skills. URI nursing majors begin their hands-on clinical rotations as sophomores, giving them more practical experience early in their careers. Advanced students study at the R.I. Nursing Education Center in Providence, where the facilities are among the finest in the nation.

The International Center welcomes degree-seeking and visiting students from around the world to our global-minded campus community. The Study Abroad and National Student Exchange offices are also housed here. Our students can choose from more than 700 programs in more than 75 countries worldwide or select a program in another part of the United States to broaden their personal perspective, enhance their college experience and globalize their degrees.
Hello from Your Tour Guide, Christi!

My name is Christi Brennan. I am from Norton, Massachusetts, and currently at URI studying marketing with minors in justice, law, and society and leadership studies. Looking back on my college application process, I know I made the right decision to attend URI because I got to experience responsibility, learn more, and meet so many incredible people. Now my best friends feel like family. We love to go to Camp Cronin to watch the sunset by the beach, surf on the weekends at Narragansett Town Beach, or take a trip into Providence for the day to explore the city. I have been able to develop my knowledge inside the classroom and outside, by joining the radio station WRIU 90.3, tour guiding, and taking on leadership roles on campus. I hope you all enjoy hearing about the great opportunities URI has to offer during your tour. Thanks for visiting!
**Additional Sites**

**A** The **Ryan Center** is URI’s leading entertainment venue. It seats 7,700 people and is home to the men’s and women’s basketball teams. Concerts, career fairs, lectures, exhibitions, trade shows, banquets, and family entertainment events are featured here. Performers have included: Leslie Odom Jr., Lil Baby, Khalid, Migos, Lil Wayne, Post Malone, Brett Eldredge, Cole Swindell, Justin Moore, Matt and Kim, Bill Nye, Jane Goodall, Kevin Hart, Seth Meyers, John Mulaney, and more.

**B** **Athletics and Recreation** has 18 men’s and women’s NCAA Division I varsity teams, 17 competitive club teams, and 22 intramural sports offerings. In addition, Campus Recreation offers informal recreation, fitness and wellness, aquatics, and sailing opportunities. Students participate in a variety of group exercise classes on campus, including TRX®, Zumba, BODYPUMP™, yoga, cycling, and Pilates.

**C** **Peckham Farm** is located on Route 138 across from the URI athletic facilities. This working farm is home to sheep, cows, pigs, donkeys, and goats that are used for hands-on learning as part of the University’s animal science and pre-veterinary classes.

**D** **Greek Life** at URI is a Northeast Greek Leadership Association award-winner, exemplifying fellowship, scholarship, leadership, community service, and philanthropy. It is composed of fraternities, sororities, and one alumni and two undergraduate governing boards. Its 3,000 active members account for approximately 23% of URI’s undergraduate population.

**E** **Religious Life** includes a variety of religious services and organizations, including the Catholic Center, Episcopal Center, Hillel, and the Muslim Community Center. Additional campus prayer and meditation locations are also available. The URI Chaplains Association assists students in finding communities on campus, as well as other places of worship in Kingston and the surrounding area.

**F** **Student Diversity and Inclusion** are supported by the Office of Community, Equity, and Diversity, the Gender and Sexuality Center, the Women’s Center, and the Multicultural Student Services Center. URI promotes a campus culture and community where students are welcomed, respected, and valued. One of the four primary goals of the University is to build a community that values and embraces equity and diversity.
Bay Campus

Our 153-acre Narragansett Bay Campus overlooks the West Passage of Narragansett Bay and is home to URI’s highly acclaimed Graduate School of Oceanography, one of the top five oceanographic institutions in the country.

Why Christi Loves URI

URI has provided me with the opportunity to expand my knowledge and determine my goals for the future. I truly found my people here, and have met so many amazing people from around the world, which has made my experience so special. URI takes care of all of its students, through their classes, student life, and more.

Thank you for visiting the University of Rhode Island!
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