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THE URI EMPLOYEES' NEWSLETTER

## Gary Liguori Appointed to Lead New College of Health Sciences

by Dave Lavalley

The University of Rhode Island has appointed the head of the Department of Health and Human Performance at the University of Tennessee Chattanooga (UTC) to be the inaugural dean of the newly formed College of Health Sciences.

Gary Liguori comes to URI with 21 years of experience as a university instructor, professor and researcher. Since 2012, he has been the head of the Department of Health and Human Performance at UTC and also founding director of the Healthy Living Center. In addition, Liguori's research on such topics as physical activity, nutrition, obesity, physical assessment and cardiac rehabilitation has been published widely in academic journals during the past 16 years.

Liguori will lead the first new college established at URI since the mid-1970s. Students and faculty in the College of Health Sciences will work closely with the Colleges of Nursing and Pharmacy as part of the University's new Academic Health Collaborative, which represents a sweeping reorganization of health education and research programs. Liguori was chosen following a national search. He begins his duties this fall.

As dean, he will serve with the deans of pharmacy and nursing as a member of the executive committee of URI's Academic Health Collaborative. In that capacity, he will work with faculty across disciplines to build contemporary, robust and forward-looking educational and research programs relevant to the evolving roles of health and health care in the 21st century.

"Gary is an experienced, accomplished, and highly collaborative academic leader," said Donald H. DeHayes, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs. "He has a track record of



photo courtesy of Gary Liguori

successful program building and creating vital partnerships between university programs and the larger regional community.

"He will play prominent roles in promoting interprofessional education and experiential learning, advancing externally funded research programs, and developing the College's reputation for excellence throughout the state, region nation and world," added DeHayes.

Liguori will oversee seven departments or majors in the new college – Communicative  
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partment of Health, universities, hospitals and other health agencies and businesses.

“The opportunities at URI, particularly with the new College of Health Sciences and the Academic Health Collaborative, are completely unlimited,” Liguori said. “The URI administration has strategically brought together all of the key units to create a new and lasting legacy in health sciences that I am honored and humbled to lead. The partnership with the Colleges of Nursing and Pharmacy in leading the collaborative is unprecedented, with the expectation to explore, create, and implement health and health care changes that can improve the lives of all Rhode Islanders. I can’t think of a more exciting time to join URI and to see what we can collectively build.”

In his four years as the head of Health and Human Performance at UTC, Liguori managed all department operations, including faculty and staff hiring and evaluations, five undergraduate and two graduate programs. During that time, he increased the number of tenure track faculty in the programs, increased faculty diversity, and facilitated a 50 percent increase in faculty scholarly output. He instituted a student cohort model that improved graduation rates and created more flexible teaching schedules for department faculty.

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Disorders, Health Studies, Human Development and Family Studies, Kinesiology, Nutrition and Food Sciences, Physical Therapy and Psychology. The new college enrolls about 3,000 undergraduate and 350 graduate students.

Prior to the formation of the Academic Health Collaborative, which was launched earlier this year, many of these departments were scattered among other colleges of the University. The Collaborative also includes a new Institute for Integrated Health and Innovation. All elements of the Collaborative are designed to enhance partnerships within the University and relationships with the Rhode Island De-

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# Ryan Institute Forum

by Donna Gilroy

About 70 people attended an Open Forum held for the University of Rhode Island's George & Anne Ryan Institute for Neuroscience on Tuesday, June 21st in the Pharmacy building.

The Forum was led by Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Donald H. De Hayes and Paula Grammas, Ph.D., executive director of the George & Anne Ryan Institute for Neuroscience. Also present on the panel were William Renehan, Ph.D., associate director of the George & Anne Ryan Institute, and Nasser Zawia, Ph.D., dean of URI's Graduate School and director of the Interdisciplinary Neuroscience Program. All URI faculty, staff and graduate students were invited.

Provost De Hayes, Dr. Grammas and Dean Zawia began the Open Forum with a brief explanation of the establishment of the George & Anne Ryan Institute for Neuroscience from a \$15 million gift from former CVS CEO Thomas Ryan '75 and his wife Cathy Ryan in 2013. The Ryan Institute's focus is on research, teaching and outreach on neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease and ALS. After the introduction, the panel-

ists took questions and led a discussion on the future of neuroscience at URI and the growth of the Ryan Institute.

Questions and comments covered a broad range including the Ryan Institute's support for research and teaching, a discussion on drug treatments versus behavioral interventions, the impact of diet and exercise factors on cognition, and preventative brain health. Community outreach was an important topic that Dr. Grammas said is a vital part of the Institute's plan to become more involved in the community. The significance of collaboration among researchers, clinicians, and the public was also a theme in much of the dialogue; panelists and audience members pointed out that partnerships with URI colleges and departments, as well as with organizations outside URI, are integral to the evolution of the Ryan Institute.

The Open Forum concluded at 1 p.m. but discussions continued into the foyer where attendees enjoyed a catered lunch. To learn more about the George & Anne Ryan Institute for Neuroscience visit:

<http://ryaninstitute.uri.edu/>



photo by Michael Salerno Photography

Pictured above: Paula Grammas, executive director of the George & Anne Ryan Institute for Neuroscience; Provost DeHayes; Professor Nasser Zawia, dean of the graduate school and director of the Interdisciplinary Neuroscience Program; and William Renehan, Ph.D., associate director of the Ryan Institute.



## Admission tour guides give first-ever tour by bicycle

### Tour D'Admission group impressed with hospitality, campus growth

by Dave Lavallee

One of the skills a University of Rhode Island tour guide has to master is walking backward while imparting detailed information about the institution in a lively and fun way to prospective students and their parents. That includes skillfully dodging bushes, light poles, other people and buildings.

Now, three tour guides, Kinte Howie of Providence, Olivia Hallam of Cumberland and Nicole Cloutier of Warren, can add another skill to their resumes -- being able to give a tour while riding bicycles around the Kingston Campus.

They did that in July for six guidance counselors from public and private schools and private consulting groups who for more than eight years have been combining a week-long cycling tour in different regions of the country with visits to college campuses. They started in Connecticut, visited URI, and then were on their way to Salve Regina University and then institutions in Providence.

The group, called "Tour D'Admission," started informally with just a few riders for the first two to three years, but has been growing strongly since 2009. This was the cyclists' first trip to URI. They started their day enjoying lunch at

Hope Commons while meeting with URI Admission Dean Cynthia Bonn, other staff members and their tour guides. Then it was onto the bikes and stops at the Fascitelli Fitness and Wellness Center, the Center for Biotechnology and Life Sciences, the College of Pharmacy and the quadrangle. At the stops, everyone dismounted to listen to the tour guides, but along the way, Howie, Hallam and Cloutier chatted alongside the cyclists, while pointing out certain aspects of the campus. Howie faced the riders behind him to keep the cyclists informed on what they were seeing. None of this occurred on busy roadways, but on the wide walkways around campus.

One of the cyclists, Richard Johnson, a guidance counselor at Ridgefield High School in Connecticut, said he visited URI about 30 years ago to see a friend. He was on his eighth college bicycle tour today.

"The growth here is remarkable," said Johnson. "I am much more likely to recommend URI to my students now after seeing the campus."

While impressed with the beauty of the campus and its facilities, he was more impressed by the welcome he received. "Two weeks ago

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Pictured above:, Three URI tour guides pause for a group shot with the "Tour D'Admission" group for the University's first bike tour. From left are Jane Klemmer, Bill Dingledene, Paul MacKenzie, Richard Johnson, tour guides, Nicole Cloutier, Kinte Howie and Olivia Hallam, and Sarah McDougal and Tim Clark. Photo credit: Nora Lewis

# Michigan State University Administrator Named New VP for Student Affairs at the University of Rhode Island

by Dave Lavallee

University of Rhode Island President David M. Dooley has named the director of residence education and housing services at Michigan State University to serve as URI's new vice president for Student Affairs.

Kathy M. Collins, who has more than two decades of student affairs experience, succeeds Thomas M. Dougan, who retired in January after 30 years of service at URI. She began her duties July 11.

Collins, who also serves as the supervisor of the Michigan State University Student Union, was selected following a national search.

As the senior administrator/senior student affairs executive officer at URI, Collins will report directly to Dooley and serve as a member of his Senior Leadership Team. She will lead divisional units working with and representing the interests of a diverse student body to foster a positive balance between the academic and co-curricular life of the students.

Collins will supervise the office of Student Life/Dean of Students, Memorial Union and Student Activities, Counseling Center, Housing and Residential Life, University Bookstore, Dining and Retail Food Services, Student Health Services, Campus Recreation, Special Programs in Talent Development and Conferences and Special Program Development. She will oversee the division's budgets and personnel and ensure that division programs and activities are aligned with institutional strategic goals and objectives.

Collins will also serve as the primary spokesman for the president on matters pertaining to the social and academic needs of students.

In her roles at MSU, she is responsible for a staff of about 2,700, including 370 full-time staff members and a budget of \$260 million. She works with the university president, vice presidents and legal staff in campus-wide decision-making. A member of MSU's Athletic Council, Collins serves alongside students, faculty and staff in an advisory role to the athletic director on issues ranging from NCCA Division I regulations and conference alignment to ticket pricing.



Collins has played a key role in MSU's housing and residence education department being recognized as a global leader for its service to international students. The Association of College Personnel Administrators selected Michigan State for its 2016 International Colloquium to present best practices in housing for international students. In fact, a 2013 trip she took with students to Beijing, China, resulted in many changes to MSU's services, which in turn led to an increase in retention rates of Chinese students.

"Vice President Collins brings rich and diverse experiences to the University of Rhode Island, including a commitment to global education and international partnerships," Dooley said. "The University of Rhode Island is gaining a leader

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**VP Student Affairs**...continued from page 5

who appreciates that co-curricular experiences are an essential complement for rigorous academic programs and experiential learning in preparing our students to be globally-competitive leaders. During her very successful career in university student affairs, she has been a leader willing to take risks, try new approaches, and reach beyond her immediate administrative units to improve the universities at which she has worked. She has big ideas, but never forgets the importance of the individuals who manage the details who make those big initiatives happen. I am delighted to announce her appointment, and welcome her to the University of Rhode Island.”

“I have a passion for the scholarship of student affairs and have published, presented and taught at two top research institutions in their graduate programs, MSU and Texas A&M University,” Collins said.

Prior to her arrival at Michigan State in 2012, she was the associate director of residence education at Texas A&M from 2006 to 2011 and also held leadership positions at the University of Michigan and Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

A former swim coach at the Division II and III levels, she earned her bachelor’s degree at Juniata College, her master’s degree at Shippensburg University in Pennsylvania and her doctorate at Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

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Last year, he became the founding director of the UTC Healthy Living Center, and was charged by the chancellor to oversee partnerships between UTC and greater Chattanooga to create initiatives that improve the physical, emotional and social well-being of all community members. He also holds the title of visiting professor of medical physiology at the College of Health Sciences at Moi University in Kenya.

From 2005 to 2012, Liguori was assistant/associate professor and graduate coordinator in the Department of Health, Nutrition & Exercise Sciences at North Dakota State University.

He earned his Ph.D. in wellness from the College of Human Development & Education at North Dakota State University and his master of science degree in cardiac rehabilitation/exercise science from East Stroudsburg University. His bachelor’s degree in fitness and wellness is from the University of Central Missouri.

He is a USA Track & Field certified Level One track and field coach and a certified track and field meet official. Liguori is certified by the American College of Sports Medicine as a Clinical Exercise Physiologist, and by the American Heart Association to provide Advanced Cardiac Life Support. He holds the credential of Advanced Physical Fitness Specialist from the Cooper Institute of Aerobics Research.

**URInformed Unscramble Winner**

Congratulations to **Sharon Kirk**, Enrollment Services. The secret phrase was **Springtime in Rhode Island!**

Please contact Joy Lewis in the President’s Office (4-2708) to claim your prize.

**Check out the Unscramble puzzle on page 9!**



# INNOVATE FOR THE FUTURE

**VOTE  
YES  
ON 4**

In November, Rhode Island voters will be asked to support a \$45.5 million bond referendum for engineering and innovation. Just over half, \$25.5 million, will help URI complete new and updated engineering facilities to support the work of researchers like Otto Gregory. The rest will support a University-affiliated Innovation Campus.

Together with state leadership, community and business partners, we envision a campus where universities and businesses will collaborate on cutting-edge research that can be applied to create new products and services that will benefit the Rhode Island economy and the world.

Your vote is a vote of confidence in our faculty, students and business partners, their ability to engineer and innovate, and in Rhode Island's economic revitalization.

**YES ON QUESTION 4 IN NOVEMBER.**



Professor Otto Gregory is working to make the world a safer place. The chemical engineering expert has developed a game-changing sensor able to sniff out traces of triacetone triperoxide, or TATP—an explosive commonly used by suicide bombers.

## **Bike Tour**...continued from page 4

when I came to the Visitors Center to scout a bike route, I saw Olivia (Hallam), and she could not have been more excited. She beamed and said, 'Wow, you are the bike group coming to campus.' Her reaction made me more excited and I felt a much greater sense of anticipation than I normally would have. When I arrived here today, Olivia recognized me immediately."

Jane Klemmer, who was doing her sixth college bike tour, said her nephew Ray Klemmer earned a degree in film studies at URI.

"I was here a long time ago," said Klemmer, owner of Klemmer Educational Consulting. "I am so pleased that you have retained the beauty of the old, traditional campus while adding beautiful, contemporary buildings. Plus, I had three great tour guides, who not only gave us a great tour, but also cycled with us. What wonderful hospitality they provided."

And how about this for hospitality? When Klemmer was riding in from Connecticut along with Bo Gillie, URI's international admission advisor, and the rest of the group, one of her tires had a blowout. So right after lunch, Gillie drove into Wakefield to pick up a new tire for her from Stedman's Bicycle Co.

Sarah McDougal, chair of the Department of Guidance at Fenton High School in Bensenville, Ill., said her high school serves many young people who will be the first to attend college in their families. "They can't get to campuses, so this is a way for me to see schools firsthand and then return with good information about the schools. You get the college experience while riding with great friends and you go through so many cute little towns along the way."

Tim Clark, an independent counselor with McMillan Education in Boston, said this tour was his second.

"This is a great networking opportunity," he said. "And when we return to work with students, we can tell them that they are able to combine work with things you choose to do and enjoy in life, like cycling."

By the end of the tour, the group, which also included Bill Dinglede, an independent counselor with Educational Directions in Greenville, S.C., and Paul MacKenzie, a guidance counselor at the Berkshire School, a day and boarding school in Sheffield, Mass., will have also vis-

ited Trinity College, where it began, Wesleyan University, Quinnipiac University, Yale University, Connecticut College, Providence College, Brown University, Rhode Island School of Design and the University of Connecticut.

"We really like that URI gave us a bike tour, which showed that they really appreciate what we do on this tour," Dinglede said.

And what about the URI tour guides? What did they think?

Howie, a sophomore studying general business administration, said he is very comfortable on a bike and turning to face the other riders was easy for him. "I have been hearing about this kind of a tour for a while and I thought it would be fun to do."

Amidst all of the high-tech road bicycles, Cloutier, a sophomore majoring in psychology with a cognitive/neuroscience track and a minor in nonviolence & peace studies, was riding a retro, single-speed, coaster-brake bike, which she said was a Christmas gift from her parents 10 years ago.

"I love it and I keep it here on campus to ride to classes," Cloutier said. "I loved doing this tour today, but I wish we had more time because it would have been fun to ride to all corners of campus. I love this University so much. It was my top choice."

Hallam, a senior majoring in Chinese and political science with a minor in international relations, said her excitement started building as soon as she met Jackson a few weeks ago in the Visitors Center.

"The summer tour guides have that added oomph because we are so committed to this school," Hallam said. "Hospitality is central to our motto, Think Big. We Do."









## LTC (R) Paul F. Helweg, Jr., ROTC Memorial Golf Tournament

**Green Valley Country Club, Portsmouth RI, September 9, 2016**

**Check-in at 11:30 a.m. ~ Shotgun play begins at 12:30 p.m.**

**\$125 per player** (Price includes green fees, golf cart and steak dinner. Chicken available upon request. Please note with reservation.)

**Make checks payable to: URI Foundation ROTC Golf #5919**

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77 Cedar Island Road Narragansett, RI 02882

**Deadline for advanced registration is September 1, 2016. Anyone wishing to register after September 1 must register at the Green Valley Country Club Registration Desk.**

**Individual:** (Name, e-mail, and phone number) \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_ I'd like to sponsor a cadet; I've included an additional \$125.

\_\_\_ I have additional guests for dinner. I've included \$40 for each additional dinner.

**All proceeds from this year's golf tournament will be dedicated to the ROTC Leadership Classroom Renovation Fund.**

## New Police Officers Have Deep, Longstanding Ties to University

### *Standouts on gridiron, ice rink return to serve community*

*by Dave Lavallee*

Those who have followed University of Rhode Island sports over the years might do a double take when they run into the newest members of the campus police force.

That's because Patrolmen John Bush '02 of Charlestown and Cameron Schneck '15 of Wakefield were star members of Rhody's football and men's hockey teams, respectively. They joined the police force in May.

Schneck, a member of the nationally ranked men's Division I hockey club from 2011 to 2015, all but grew up at URI, as his father, Bob, will serve as head coach of the Division I varsity volleyball team for this 36th season this fall, after which he will retire from the post. His mother, Lisa, earned her bachelor's degree at URI and works on campus and his sister, Ashley, graduated from URI in 2012.

Cameron Schneck was assistant captain for the ice hockey team for the 2014-15 season and was the recipient of the 2014-2015 Sean O'Neil Best Defensive Forward Award. He was a member of the 2012 Rhody team that won the Eastern States Collegiate Hockey League title.

Bush played on one of the best Ram football squads in recent history, the 1995 team that went 7-4 overall, 6-2 in the Yankee Conference and finished first in the Northeast Division. He was named the team's Most Outstanding Line-man in 1997 and 1998 and played for the Canadian Football League's Toronto Argonauts in 2000.

He is a member of the Rhody Grand Team, which was selected by fans in 2013 to identify the top 50 players in school history to help celebrate the 1,000th game in program history

"The reason for both officers' return to campus was simple," said URI Police Maj. Michael Jagoda. "They gained so much as students and athletes here that they wanted to come back and make a positive difference. This is where it all began for them. They understand the campus, the demands and challenges and they are committed to community policing. I am excited about bringing new blood into the police force. They are eager to learn and engage with community members and bring positive energy to our department and the campus."

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*ON DUTY, new URI Police Patrolmen Cameron Schneck, left and John Bush, stand next to a URI cruiser. URI photos by Michael Salerno Photography*



## **New Campus Police**...continued from page 11

Bush brings extensive experience as a police officer to the URI force. From 2006 to 2012, he was a member of the Horry County Police Department in South Carolina where he served as a beach patrol officer, school resource officer and lance corporal. He was honored five times as Officer of the Month. He also received the Horry County Police Department Certification of Excellence Award. Prior to that, he was a deputy sheriff in the Adams County Sheriff's Office in Gettysburg, Pa. He was also a police officer at Pennsylvania State University for six months.

Before coming to URI, he was a supervisory aide at Curtis Corner Middle School in South Kingstown, where he worked with administrators on student behavior issues.

While there, he was asked if he would help organize and participate in a cornhole tournament at URI. "I met with Maj. Jagoda and Patrolman Paul Hanrahan and they talked about their plans to make URI a model of community policing. I loved what they were saying. I wanted to be a part of it, and I wanted to come back to a great community. I have run into some familiar faces at Mackal Field House and Keaney Gymnasium, who knew me when I was 18. Now they see me as an adult who wants to contribute to URI."

Bush has fond memories of his playing days at URI and coverage of him in *The Good 5 Cent Cigar* by former sports editor Shane Donaldson, now a coordinator of athletics communications at URI who oversees media relations and communications for the football team.

"I saved all the columns that Shane wrote about me," Bush said.

When he first arrived on campus as a police officer, Bush had a funny experience with Nancy Kelley, now assistant dean of the College of Health Sciences who was Bush's academic advisor when she worked in the Department of Athletics.

"I yelled to her one day, and I think I scared her. She was really surprised," said the former lineman who was 6-foot, 4-inches tall, and weighed 298 pounds in his playing days.

Schneck started as a kinesiology major at URI, but switched to sociology/criminology in

his sophomore year because he was considering a career as a police officer.

"After graduation I applied to departments all over the state, including URI," Schneck said. "When URI made me an offer, I accepted. My family is so happy because they all love it here and I do, too. It's also great being so close to home."

He said his time with the URI hockey team and head coach Joe Augustine prepared him well for the rigors of the Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy.

"He expected everything from you in every practice, in every game and during every shift," Schneck said.

"The URI Police Department feels like family," said the 24-year-old patrolman. "It is warm and welcoming and the other officers want me to succeed."

## **Cold Brewed Coffee at Home**



### *Ingredients:*

- 12 ounces high-quality coffee beans (about 4 cups), coarsely ground
- Milk or cream (optional; for serving)

### *Special Equipment:*

- A 12-cup (or larger) resealable container or stockpot with lid
- A coffee filter or cheesecloth

### *Preparation:*

Place ground coffee in 12-cup container. Slowly pour 6 cups cool water over grounds. Stir very gently just until grounds are moistened. Seal container and chill 24 hours.

Strain coffee grounds through a fine-mesh sieve into a large measuring cup or bowl. Strain again through coffee filter into a large bowl or 3-cup (or larger) resealable container. (Alternately, skip the straining and use a thick filter, as for a Chemex.)

To serve, pour over ice and dilute 1:1 with water or milk or cream to preference.

*Yield: Makes about 3 cups coffee concentrate*

*Active Time: 15 minutes*

*Total Time: 24 hours*

# URI's Facts about Fall 2016

## *Incoming class brings greater diversity, academic achievement*

by Jhodi Redlich

The University of Rhode Island is preparing to welcome its incoming class of about 3,730 new students, including 3,230 first-year students and 500 who have transferred. When combined with returning students, the University will be the home away from home for more than 16,000 undergraduate and graduate students. Students will start to move onto campus Saturday, Sept. 3 and classes begin on Wednesday, Sept. 7.

There will be some lively discussions on campus this fall as the interdisciplinary Honors Colloquium examines "Inequality and the American Dream." Starting Tuesday, Sept. 20, the weekly series will feature leading scholars, journalists, and more addressing questions about the influence of inequality on social mobility, the ability to seek political and social change, and across gender, race and class. The series will begin with a talk about immigration by Victoria M. DeFrancesco Soto, a political analyst and professor from the University of Texas at Austin who appears on MSNBC and NBCNews.com and other media outlets. The series continues weekly through Nov. 29, with the exception of Nov. 8 and 22. Free and open to the public, the talks will be held in Edwards Hall.

This fall is the inaugural semester for URI's College of Health Sciences on the Kingston campus, and the Feinstein College of Education and Professional Studies on the Kingston and Providence campuses. The new colleges align the University's academic resources to focus on 21st Century needs.

In addition to these changes and big events, the University will soon be setting the stage for next year's 125th anniversary celebrations, with an opening celebration on January 25. In the meantime, here's a preview of enrollment (along with 10-year comparison) and a few of the activities, construction highlights and more that will be happening this fall.



### **About the Students\***

• The University's Office of Undergraduate Admission received and reviewed a record 21,794 applications for new freshmen. In addition, more

than 1,330 applications were considered for students wishing to transfer to the University.

• The University anticipates enrolling 3,730 new students, including 3,230 freshmen and 500 transfer students. Consistent with trends nationwide, 57 percent of the new students are women and 43 percent are men. 23 percent of freshmen and transfers have self-identified as students of color.

• About 48 percent of new students are from Rhode Island and 52 percent are from out of state or foreign countries. The incoming class and transfers represent 35 U.S states and 15 nations. About 55 percent of the total student body is from Rhode Island.

• After Rhode Island, the top states represented in the freshman class are respectively, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey.

• Admitted student profile: Average GPA 3.52; SAT total 1,664/2400; ACT score 25.

• 5,950 undergraduate students are assigned to one of the University's 24 on-campus residence halls, suites and apartments. This is about 250 more than the fall of 2015.

• URI traditionally houses about 94 percent of the first year class in university residence halls. About 200 more returning students applied to live on campus compared to the previous year.

• An additional 645 students will live in the 17 sororities, fraternities and specialty houses, the International Engineering Program houses and the Women's Center.

• There are 11 Living and Learning Communities (LLCs) of which ten are exclusively for first-year students.

• Top 10 majors in terms of undergraduate enrollment last fall are: Nursing, Kinesiology, Psychology, Communication Studies, Biological Sciences, Human Development & Family Studies, Mechanical Engineering, Accounting, Computer Science, and Business Administration/Management. Popular majors for the incoming class are business, engineering, nursing, kinesiology, computer science, psychology and cell and molecular biology.

• More than 300 new students will begin without declaring a major as they explore their many major and career interests with the University's professional advisors and University College for Academic Success.

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- URI will award about \$92 million in undergraduate aid and scholarships. An estimated 75 percent of undergraduate students are expected to receive financial aid and institutional support.

**\*\* Please note: Final student enrollment information will be available after the federal census for college enrollments in late October.**

## **Fall 2016**

- **Move-In Days, Sept. 3-4:** To provide the best service to incoming students the freshman class will move in on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 3-4 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. At that time, a resident assistant will escort each student to his or her room. As part of the early move-in process, about 1,600 residents arrive during the week before to participate in organization trainings, club events, etc.

- **Welcome Home:** A series of Welcome Week activities for new and returning students include First Night at the Memorial Union on Sunday, Sept. 4, and a performance by comedian Chris D'Elia on Sept. 6.

- **Grand Opening, Sept. 6:** The University will celebrate the opening of the Richard E. Beupre Center for Chemical and Forensic Sciences. Funded largely by a \$61 million bond referendum approved by voters in 2010, the center is named after Richard Beupre '62, founder and chief executive officer of the Lincoln-based photochemical etching company ChemArt. The Center will serve more than 7,000 URI students who take chemistry each year; about 40 percent of all URI degree programs require at least one chemistry class.

- **Celebrate 40th year of the *Endeavor*, Sept. 10:** URI's Graduate School of Oceanography will offer tours of the *Endeavor*, the research vessel that has carried scientists and students around the world for scientific research since 1976. Free and open to the public, the tours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10 at the Narragansett Bay Campus, 215 South Ferry Road in Narragansett.

- **Football Home Kickoff, Sept. 10:** With head coach Jim Fleming the 2016 season kicks off at Kansas on Sept. 3, followed by the first home game on Sept. 10 against Albany. To order tickets for the upcoming season, call the Ryan Center Box Office at 401.874.RAMS (401.874.7267).

- **Honors Colloquium, Sept. 20:** In this semester-long series, national, and international speakers will address "Inequality and the American Dream."

The colloquium begins with a talk by Dr. Victoria M. DeFrancesco Soto, professor at the University of Texas and a political scientist who appears on MSNBC and NBCNews.com and other media outlets. Her research analyzes how human thought and emotion shape political behavior. The lectures will be held on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. from Sept. 20 through Nov. 29, with the exception of Nov. 8 and 22, in Edwards Auditorium on the Kingston campus. All talks are free and open to the public and some may be streamed online. Find more information at <http://web.uri.edu/hc/>.

- **20th Annual Diversity Week, Sept. 22 –30:**

The week will focus on the theme, "Inequality and/or the American Dream" and will present dozens of workshops, events, and seminars. Most events are free and open to the public. For a complete schedule visit <http://web.uri.edu/mcc/>.

- **On Stage, Oct. 13 through 23:** URI Theatre begins its fall season with Pulitzer-Prize-winning playwright David Lindsay Abair's funny, edgy contemporary play *Good People*. Set in South Boston, the award-winning play is an insightful comedy of class and culture. View details at <http://web.uri.edu/theatre/>.

- **Ribbon Cutting, Oct. 21:** URI's Harrington School of Communication and Media will celebrate a move into their new home -- the renovated Ranger Hall. Built in 1913, the 36,000 square foot building is located on the Quadrangle.

- **Homecoming 2016, Oct. 21-23:** Homecoming on the Kingston Campus includes reunions, college and department-based gatherings, music, food, entertainment and more. The URI vs. University of Maine game starts at noon on Saturday, Oct. 22 at Meade Stadium.

- **Annual Distinguished Achievement Awards, Oct. 22:** URI's 11th annual event at which President David M. Dooley, Provost Donald H. DeHayes, and the college deans honor alumni and others who personify URI's tradition of excellence in achievement, leadership and service. The event is a formal celebration to launch Homecoming weekend.

- **Family Weekend, Sept. 30-Oct. 2:** This annual program brings thousands to South County and this year, veteran comedian Jay Leno will perform for families and community members. Families of undergraduate students may participate in numerous activities including attending classes with their students, learning about programs on the Kingston

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and Narragansett Bay campuses, attending a football game and more. For more information visit <http://web.uri.edu/familyweekend/>.

- **Open House, Oct. 15 and 29:** Thousands of high school seniors and their families will attend one of the University's Open Houses this fall. The programs provide potential students with a chance to learn about the admission process, financial aid, scholarships and more. Visitors can register for the program at <http://www.uri.edu/admission/>.

- **Public Safety:** Providing a safe and secure environment for living and learning is paramount at the University. Throughout the year, new and returning students and all community members receive print, web, video and email information and training about resources available to protect them against injury, fire and other threats and to ensure that the University continues its mission in a secure environment. Visit the Department of Public Safety (<http://www.uri.edu/emergency/>) for details about emergency preparedness.

## **Academically Speaking**

- **University Libraries:** Getting ready for the new school year, the Carothers' Library on the Kingston Campus has developed a new resource -- a makerspace with space and tools to enhance collaborative teaching and learning and to foster the entrepreneurial process. The area includes a virtual reality station, collaborative computer stations and finishing tables to support the needs for creative, 3D endeavors.

- **Colleges and Programs:** The University has formed the College of Health Sciences and the Feinstein College of Education and Professional Studies. These replace the College of Human Science and Services and the Feinstein College of Continuing Education.

The College of Health Sciences brings together a range of well-established majors and programs to address the growing need for well-prepared, broadly skilled professionals focused on health and wellness. The college offers degrees in communicative disorders, health studies, human development and family studies, kinesiology, nutrition and dietetics, physical therapy, and psychology.

The Feinstein College of Education and Professional Studies is one college with two campuses and two schools. The College is home to the School of Education, based in

Kingston, and the School of Professional and Continuing Studies in Providence. The School of Education prepares future professionals in the field of education at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The School of Professional and Continuing Studies offers students flexible undergraduate, graduate and certificate programs, accessible course schedules and support in an adult-focused learning environment.

In addition to these changes, URI's new Academic Health Collaborative brings together a range of academic and industry disciplines that focus on different aspects of health.

- **Global Destinations:** The doors to Cuba opened to URI students last year and it is now one of the more than 80 countries where about 500 study abroad program opportunities take place. Hundreds of students take part in these programs in addition to global internship opportunities. Increasing the number of students and faculty participants in international education is consistent with the University's academic plan to develop students as global citizens, and create meaningful international strategic partnerships.

## **Construction Zone**

In the last 20 years, more than \$1 billion has been invested into building, rebuilding, or renovating more than 50 facilities designed to increase our cutting-edge resources for research, teaching and outreach.

This fall the University will officially cut ribbons to open the Richard E. Beupre Center for Chemical and Forensic Sciences (**Sept. 6**) and the Harrington School of Communication & Media in Ranger Hall (**Oct. 21**).

- **Summer Housing:** URI's residence halls did not sleep for the summer. Some were used for students attending summer school, summer student employees, and 15 facilities were used to house conference attendees throughout the summer. It is estimated that 10,000 people stayed at URI this summer to attend some 50 separate conference events.

- **Residential Life:** The University now provides residential options for about 6,200 students at all academic levels. This summer, major renovations were completed in Fayerweather, Gorham,

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President David M. Dooley and Provost Donald H. DeHayes cordially invite you to the

## Lifetime Service Society 2016 Dedication Ceremony

honoring retired staff and faculty members who have been employed at the University for 40 or more years.

**Monday, September 19, 2016 • 10 a.m.**

on the patio of the Robert L. Carothers Library and Learning Commons  
URI Kingston Campus

### Lifetime Service Society Inductees

*(retired as of December 2015)*

Raymond A. Beauregard, 47 years

Frank Budnick, 44 years

Paul S. Cohen, 49 years

Joel A. Dain, 53 years

Mimi Keefe, 50 years, posthumous

Spencer J. Martin, 45 years

Joseph P. Matoney, 42 years

Candace A. Oviatt, 46 years

William J. Palm, 44 years

Sheldon D. Pratt, 40 years

William Rosen, 45 years

Lawrence Rothstein, 40 years

Please join us for refreshments immediately following the ceremony.

**RSVP by September 12, 2016.**

To RSVP and for more information call [401.874.2014](tel:401.874.2014) or [urient@uri.edu](mailto:urient@uri.edu).

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Barlow and Weldin Halls. And now a new 500 bed, \$80 million apartment building, sited along Whitehorn Brook is in design to house junior and senior students.

- **In Design:** A new Gateway Welcome Center will be built near the Gates on Upper College Road to focus on new student recruitment efforts.

- **College of Engineering:** Thanks to Rhode Island voters, plans are under development for construction of a new engineering complex. The \$125 million bond referendum that voters passed in November 2014 to support Phase I of new engineering facilities will add to the construction activity already going on around campus.

- **Other Capital Projects:** And next year, a Nursing Education Center in Providence will be realized thanks to the support and approval by the Board of Education and the State of Rhode Island. The University of Rhode Island College of Nursing and the Rhode Island College Nursing Program will share this facility.

### Financial Facts

Below are current rates for tuition, fees and residential life:

#### TUITION AND MANDATORY FEES (2016-17)

Undergraduate Tuition and fees:

- In-state \$12,884
- Out-of-state \$28,874
- Regional \$21,230

Undergraduate Room/Board: \$12,300

Graduate Tuition and fees:

- In-state \$13,362
- Out-of-state \$25,772
- Regional \$19,260

#### Financial Aid (2016-17):

- 75 percent of students receive aid
- \$122M (awarded by external sources)
- \$92M (awarded by URI)



# Personnel Script

## Job Opportunities

The classified and non-classified application process is now automated so that you can apply on-line for positions here at the University. You will also be able to review the status of your application during the recruitment process, update your on-line application, and apply for positions that become available in the future. For the job opportunities visit:

<https://jobs.uri.edu>

## We Welcome the Following People to our Community...

Lilliam Abreu (Univ Coll for Academic Success); Awadalkareem Adam (CELS Academic Unit 3); Justin Allen (HRL Central Office); Gail Amatore (Property & Space); Lori L. Anderson (Graduate School); Daniel R. Anthony (Athletics Administration); Mary Beth Arnold (Human Resource Administration); Nicolas Aslan (GSO Maintenance); Courtenay Barber III (GSO Marine Office); Bradley Baseler (Maintenance & Repair); Stanley Bates, Jr. (Custodial Services); Matthew J. Bertin (Biomedical & Pharmaceutical Sc.); Stephen J. Beuth (GSO Marine Office); Syed Waseem Bihaqi (URI Neuroscience Institute); Erin K. Bilbo (GSO Research); Allyson L. Boisclair (Custodial Services); Rachel E. Bonzagni (EEC Summer Residential Camps); Christopher D. Briggs (Economics); John M. Bush (Police); Jennifer A. Carey (Dean Engineering); James J. Carroll, Jr. (GSO Marine Office); Paul F. Carty (GSO Marine Office); Joseph R. Castaldi (Alumni Relations); Brad A. Cocking (Undergraduate Admissions); Robert L. Cohen (Film Studies); Steven A. Cohen (Health Studies); Kathy M. Collins (VP Student Affairs); Ian M. Comerford (GSO Marine Office); Christopher Middleton Condit (GSO Coastal Resources Center); Amy E. Correia (School of Education); Katherine E. Corsi (Pharmacy Practice); Mark D. Criner (Men's Football); Cynthia Cruger (Univ Coll for Academic Success); Nigel Di Souza (GSO Research); Noah M. Daniels (Computer Science); Sumanta Das (Civil & Environmental Engineering); Amanda DeCesare (Custodial Services); Taylor DeVecchio (EEC Summer Residential

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**... and Say Goodbye to ...**

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# Cook's Corner

Share your favorite recipes in the Cook's Corner

## SWEET POTATO CRUSTED SPINACH QUICHE

Yield: 1 small quiche

### Ingredients:

- 2 medium sweet potatoes
- olive oil, spray
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 small shallot, diced
- 1 clove garlic, diced
- 1 bunch spinach
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup mozzarella cheese, grated
- ¼ cup goat cheese, crumbled
- ¼ cup parmesan cheese, grated (to sprinkle on top)
- salt and pepper, to taste



### Instructions:

1). Preheat oven to 400 degrees F and prepare a pie dish with olive oil spray or butter.

2). Peel sweet potatoes and slice thinly. Lay potato slices out in pie dish in a crust-like fashion, spray with oil, and bake for about 15 minutes or until the potatoes are slightly soft. Remove from the oven and reduce temperature to 375 degrees.

3). Heat a large saute pan over medium heat. Add the tablespoon of butter. Once melted, add the shallot and cook until transparent, about 5 minutes. Add the garlic and spinach, tossing until spinach is wilted and tender, about 4 minutes. Drain off the water released from the spinach.

4). Whisk eggs in a medium bowl. Then stir in the mozzarella and goat cheeses.

5). Combine the spinach mixture with the egg and cheese mixture. Add salt and pepper to taste. Pour the combined mixtures into the crust. Sprinkle with parmesan cheese on top.

6). In a 375 degree oven, bake until the quiche is firm and the cheese has browned, about 40 minutes.

7). Serve warm and enjoy!

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### ... and Best Wishes To Those Who Retired

David Bengtson (CELS Academic Unit 1); Garrett Bozylinsky (Provost for Academic Affairs); Helene Bucka (General Accounting); Maria Casas (GSO Research); Charles Collyer (Psychology); Edward Durbin (GSO Faculty); Norman Finizio (Mathematics); Charles Hickox (CBA Instruction); Linda Hufnagel (CELS Academic Unit 3); Celest Martin (Journalism); Cheryl Mccarthy (Grad Library&Inform Studies); Lydia Mitchell (General Accounting); D Scott Molloy Jr (Labor Research Center); Henry Oppenheimer (CBA Instruction); John Peterson (Philosophy); Gary Richman (Art); Deborah Rosen (CBA Instruction); Elizabeth Schunke (Bookstore); Carolyn Sovet (Women's Center); Jay Sperry (CELS Academic Unit 3); Albert Steyerl (Physics); Soledade Surette (CEPS Dean's Office); George Willis (School of Education).

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- ❖ Susan Warford, Kingston Child Development Center



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