

Profile of the Class of 2010 – Freshman Year, Oct. 2006

Home State/Country

Rhode Island	20	New Hampshire	2
Massachusetts	12	Kentucky	1
Connecticut	10	Minnesota	1
New York	12	Texas	1
New Jersey	9	Virginia	1
Pennsylvania	3	Trinidad, West Indies	1
Maryland	2		

Are you a:

Centennial Scholar:	23
Member of the Honors Program:	9
Scholar-Athlete:	7
Member of the Talent Development Program:	2

Did you enter URI with any AP or other college credits?

YES: 36 students

<u>AP</u>		Art	1
Biology	11	Writing	1
English	10		
Calculus AB	6	<u>College Credit:</u>	
Statistics	4	“College Writing”	1
US History	4	“Modern Biology”	1
Environmental Science	3	Biology	1
History	2	Chemistry	1
Literature	2	Chemistry EEP	1
Macroeconomics	2	English EEP	1
Spanish	2	History	1
Calculus BC	1	Marine Biology	1
Chemistry	1	Microbiology	1
Computer Science	1	Spanish	2
European History	1	Spanish EEP	1
Government	1	Writing 104	2
Government and Politics	1		
Psychology	1		

Did you take any marine- or environment-related courses in HS?

YES: 55 students

<u>Environmental Classes</u>		Marine Science	3
Environmental science	9	Aquatic Biology	2
AP Environ. Science	7	Aquaculture	1
Ecology	3	Aquatic Science	1
Environmental Biology	1	Marine Chemistry	1
Environmental Planning	1	Survey of Marine Envir.	1
Environmental Systems	1	<u>Research Classes</u>	
<u>Marine Classes</u>		Research (NOAA lab)	1
Marine Biology	15	Shoals Marine Lab class	1
Oceanography	15	Stony Brook College program	1
Marine Environmental Studies	3		

Did you participate in any organized marine biology or environmental science activities in HS?

YES: 29 students

Environmental Club	6	Surf Club	1
Zoo/Aquarium inter	6	Clean Ocean Association	1
Assorted Research Internships	6	The Ocean Conservancy	1
Marine Biology Club	5	Assorted Agricultural orgs	1
Assorted Biology Bowls	5	Science Olympiad	1
Biology Related Summer Camp	4	SeaWorld Camps	1
Oceanography Club	3		

Have you ever been:

Snorkeling:	54	Surfing/wind surfing	10
Sailing:	35	Row/Kayak/Canoe/WW raft	6
Serious fishing:	24	Water Ski/Wakeboard/Jet Ski	6
SCUBA diving:	22	Parasail	2
Lifeguarding:	15	Whale Watching	1

Have you ever visited:

A sandy beach:	76	Estuary/bay	6
A salt marsh/mud flat:	54	Rocky Intertidal	6
A coral reef:	33	Underwater Cave	1
A mangrove:	19	Aquaria/Rehab centers	1

Have you traveled outside the US?

YES: 57 students

Where?:

Canada	
Caribbean	16 islands
Europe	17 countries
Africa	4 countries
Middle East	5 countries
Asia	4 countries
Latin and South America	9 countries
Pacific Islands/Countries	4 countries

Why did you choose URI?

Good Marine Bio Program	66
Close to Home (Location)	22
Away from Home (Location)	4
Nice Campus/Atmosphere	15
Scholarships/Financial Aid Package/Tuition	12
Close to the Beach/Ocean	9
Like RI/Weather/Climate/New England	4
Specific Faculty member/Specialty	3
School Size	3
Good Student Clubs/Programs	3
Alumni in Family	3
Marine Research Opportunities	1
Freshman Involvement Programs	1
Good Sports Program	1
National Ocean Science Bowl Location	1

Why did you choose the Marine Biology major?

Love the Ocean/ contents	27	Like and own fish	2
Always wanted Marine Bio	25	Want to study sharks	1
Like marine life	13	I like biology	1
URI/ MB major's Reputation	7	Want to work in Aquarium	1
Interested in whales	4	More hands-on at URI	1
Like Science	4	Interested in corals and echolocation	1
Mystery	4	Want to do marine medical research	1
Took a class in high school	3	Want to work on/near water	1
Preserve/Protect Environment	2	Interested in marine systems	1

How did you find out about the Marine Biology major at URI?

Online:	53
Guidance counselor/teacher suggestion:	34
Word of mouth (explain):	
Friends	14
Alumni	6
RI/NE Native	4
Mailing	3
College Listing/Fair	3
Orientation	2
College Visit	2
Staff	2
Met a Vessel Captain	1

Did you apply to other colleges with marine biology or related majors?

Also applied to (but not accepted):

Brown University	2	Southern Connecticut	1
Auburn Univ.	1	SUNY Stony Brook	1
Connecticut College	1	UC Santa Barbara	1
Juniata College	1	University of New England	1
Mount Ida	1	University of San Diego	1

Also accepted to:

Roger Williams University	14	American University	1
University of New England	10	Barry University	1
UMass Dartmouth	8	Becker	1
University of New Hampshire	5	Connecticut College	1
Suffolk University	5	Delaware	1
U North Carolina Wilmington	5	East Carolina University	1
SUNY Stony Brook	4	Elizabethtown	1
Boston University	4	Florida Atlantic University	1
Coastal Carolina	4	Florida State University	1
UConn	4	Framingham	1
Rutgers	3	Johnson and Wales	1
Salem State College	3	Kean University	1
University of Vermont	3	Kings College	1
Rider University	3	Maine Masatire	1
Northeastern Univ.	3	Monmouth University	1
University of Miami	2	Northland College	1
Fairleigh Dickinson University	2	Penn State	1
Eckerd College	2	Providence College	1
Florida Institute of Technology	2	Quinnipiac	1
Salve Regina	2	Rhode Island College	1
Old Dominion University	2	Salisbury	1

Santa Clara	1	UMaine Machias	1
Scranton University	1	UMaine Orono	1
St. Joseph's College of Maine	1	University of New Haven	1
Stockton College	1	University of Charleston	1
SUNY Brockport	1	University of Hawaii Hilo	1
TAMUG	1	University of South Carolina	1
Temple Univ.	1	William and Mary	1

Which of your courses is most interesting so far?

BIO 101	28	LIT 100	1
BIO 130	17	MAF 100	2
BIO 262	3	MTH 131	3
Brit. Lit	1	MTH 142	1
CHM 101	1	MUS 101	1
COM 100	2	MUS 106	2
French	1	PSY 113	2
GER 103	1	Theatre 100	2
HPR 112	2	Women's Studies 100	1
JOR 110	1	WRT 104	2

Which of your courses is most challenging so far?

CHM 101	38	WRT 104	3
BIO 101	20	PHL 100	2
MTH 111	3	FRN 103	1
MTH131/141	2	GER 103	1
PSY	3	PHY 111	1
PHL 103	3	RLS 111	1

What is your biggest academic concern?

Keeping up with homework/ readings	18	Labs	3
Exams/quizzes	12	Distractions	2
Grades/failing	12	Future studies	2
Keeping up	8	Effort/motivation	1
Time management	8	Missing classes	1
Studying	7	Lack of class choices	1
		That college is a waste	1

What is your other biggest concern?

Time Management	14	Money Management	4
Making Friends	12	Major/Minor Scheduling	3
Involvement/Participation	9	Internship	2
Leaving Home /Adjusting to		Transportation	2
College	8	Room Troubles	1
Health	7	Food	1
Sports	6	Safety	1
Roommate Troubles	6	Self Doubt	1