

# Undergraduate Admissions Application

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## UNIVERSITY of RHODE ISLAND

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### **School of Education ~ Teacher Education Programs**

Certification is offered in these areas: Early Childhood (PreSchool–2), Elementary (1–6), Secondary (7–12), Music (K–12), and Physical Education (K–12). The School of Education also offers the following endorsements: Middle Level Education (5-8) and English as a Second Language. Adding one of these endorsements to your Certification area expands your employment possibilities in a competitive market. Please read the following information carefully; it is provided to ensure that your application is complete and receives the earliest possible consideration.

#### **PREREQUISITES FOR APPLICATION TO TEACHER EDUCATION:**

***Undergraduate applicants*** must be current students at the University of Rhode Island. The earliest an applicant may apply is January of his or her sophomore year. Typically, students will have completed at least 39 credits by the time of admission.

***Transfer students*** must have completed 12 credits at URI by the end of the semester prior to admission.

Exception: Early Childhood Education students may apply while at CCRI through a transfer articulation agreement.

#### **Academic Requirements:**

Admission to the program is competitive among students who have obtained the specified academic standards.

***All Undergraduates:*** A cumulative GPA of 2.5 (minimum). In addition, please note the following:

*Secondary Education applicants:* A minimum GPA of 2.5 in your content major (English, Math, etc.)

*Music Education applicants:* A minimum GPA of 2.5 in Music

Please refer to the next page for additional pre-requisites or recommended courses for your program.

#### **Testing Requirements:**

All students must submit passing scores on the Praxis I Pre-Professional Skills Tests (PPST) with application: 171 on the writing and math sections and 172 on the reading section. Students are exempt from taking the PPST tests if they earned a combined 1100 or higher on their SAT (math and critical reading sections only) or an ACT score of 24 or above. More specific information is available in this packet.

**BCI:** A BCI Check is required of all applicants. More information follows.

#### **HOW TO APPLY:**

1. Submit application materials between **January 25<sup>th</sup> and February 3, 2010** to Mrs. Janet Deignan, Office of Teacher Education, 701 Chafee Building, on campus. Bring one copy of the School of Education Application Form, your PPST scores or computerized PPST scores (or SAT / ACT exemption scores), your college transcript(s), and your BCI. At this time, you will also sign up for an interview. **Interviews will begin the week of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010.**
2. Create an Admissions Portfolio (see specific instructions later in this document). Include a second copy of the SOE Application Form, your PPST or computerized PPST test scores (or SAT or ACT exemption scores), and your college transcript(s) in your portfolio. *Please bring your Admission Portfolio with you to your interview.*
3. Admission decision letters will be mailed out by mid-March.

#### **\*Music and Physical Education Applicants Only:**

For these programs *only*, applications are accepted twice each year: **October 1<sup>st</sup>** for the following spring semester admission, and **February 1<sup>st</sup>** for the following fall semester admission. For more detailed information about admission requirements for Physical Education Teacher Education (PETE), visit:

[http://www.uri.edu/hss/physical\\_education/Undergra%20Progams.html](http://www.uri.edu/hss/physical_education/Undergra%20Progams.html). For more detailed information about admission requirements for the Music Education program, visit:

[http://www.uri.edu/artsci/mus/current\\_students.html](http://www.uri.edu/artsci/mus/current_students.html).

## Classes Required or Recommended Prior to Application:

	<b>Early Childhood</b>	<b>Elementary</b>	<b>Secondary</b>	<b>Music</b>	<b>Physical &amp; Health Education</b>
<b><i>REQUIRED CLASSES</i></b>	PSY 113 HDF 200				C or above in: COM 100 WRT 101 KIN 270 BIO 121
<b><i>RECOMMENDED CLASSES</i></b>	EDC 102 EDC 250 EDC 312 HDF 203	EDC 250 EDC 102 PSY 232 or HDF 200	EDC 250 EDC 102 PSY 113	MUS 235 PSY 113	

### About Advisement

Undergraduate applicants remain in University College pending acceptance into a Teacher Education Program. Students interested in an education program are encouraged to meet with the appropriate education advisor in University College to plan ahead:

**Early Childhood Education:** Phyllis Penhallow [pcpen@mail.uri.edu](mailto:pcpen@mail.uri.edu)

**Elementary Education:** Dr. Sandy Hicks [sjhicks@uri.edu](mailto:sjhicks@uri.edu)

**Secondary Education:** Dr. Cornelis (Kees) De Groot [degrootc@mail.uri.edu](mailto:degrootc@mail.uri.edu)

**Physical Education:** Dr. Lori Ciccomascolo [lecicco@uri.edu](mailto:lecicco@uri.edu)

**Music Education:** Dr. Audrey Cardany [Audrey.Cardany@uri.edu](mailto:Audrey.Cardany@uri.edu)

If accepted, students are then admitted into the School of Education, and will be assigned an education advisor in the appropriate program. Contact information is listed below. (Students will also keep their Arts and Science or CELS advisor for their second major.) Phone: 401-874-xxxx for numbers below.

#### **Early Childhood**

Dr. Susan Trostle Brand: [susant@uri.edu](mailto:susant@uri.edu) ~ 2426

Dr. Laura Harper: [lharper@mail.uri.edu](mailto:lharper@mail.uri.edu) ~ 4947

#### **Elementary**

Dr. Sandy Hicks: [sjhicks@uri.edu](mailto:sjhicks@uri.edu) ~ 5976

Dr. Peter Adamy: [adamy@uri.edu](mailto:adamy@uri.edu) ~ 7036

#### **Secondary**

**English:** Dr. Diane Kern: [dkern@uri.edu](mailto:dkern@uri.edu) ~ 9490

**Foreign Languages:** Dr. JoAnn Hammadou: [joannh@uri.edu](mailto:joannh@uri.edu) ~ 4712

**History/Social Studies:** Dr. David Byrd : [dbyrd@uri.edu](mailto:dbyrd@uri.edu) ~ 5484

**Math:** Dr. Cornelis (Kees) de Groot: [degrootc@mail.uri.edu](mailto:degrootc@mail.uri.edu) ~ 4149

**Sciences:** Dr. Jay Fogleman: [fogleman@mail.uri.edu](mailto:fogleman@mail.uri.edu) ~ 4161

#### **Music**

Dr. Audrey Cardany: [Audrey.Cardany@uri.edu](mailto:Audrey.Cardany@uri.edu) ~ 2001

#### **Physical and Health Education**

Dr. Lori Ciccomascolo: [lecicco@uri.edu](mailto:lecicco@uri.edu) ~ 5454

#### **Summer and Supplemental Advising**

If you have questions and are unable to reach an advisor above, please contact:

Mrs. Annie Kammerer: [agkammerer@uri.edu](mailto:agkammerer@uri.edu) ~ 5252

## URI School of Education Overview of Admission Decision Process

Applicants will be evaluated in the four categories (I-IV) below. To apply, applicants *must* have a score of 3 (meets the standard) or above in categories I and II.

- 1) Categories III and IV will be scored according to the portfolio and admission rubrics provided in this packet. Applicants who receive a score of 3 (meets the standard) or above on *each* of the criteria (A-D) in categories III and IV will be recommended for admission.
- 2) Those with an average score of 3 in categories III or IV will still be *eligible* for admission. Serious and/or multiple deficiencies in any of the criteria (A-D) in these sections, however, may result in program faculty using professional judgment to deny admission.
- 3) Applicants whose final score is below a 3 will *not* be recommended for admission.

### I. General Academic Knowledge

<b>Score:</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Cum. GPA:</b>	2.5—2.99	3.0—3.49	3.50—4.0

### II. Test Results (\*\*PPST: Minimum admission cut scores are required; see Testing Requirements)

<b>Score:</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
____ <b>** PPST</b>	171-174	175-182	183-190
____ <b>SAT</b>	1100-1133	1134-1166	1167-1600
____ <b>ACT</b>	24	25-26	27-36
____ <b>GRE</b>	1000-1100	1110-1150	1160-1600

### III. Admission Portfolio (see rubric for details)

- A. Interpersonal and Communication Skills
- B. Academic Knowledge Base  
Content GPA \_\_\_\_\_ (Secondary and Music only)
- C. Work Experience and Community Service
- D. Multicultural / Diversity Awareness

### IV. Admission Interview (see rubric for details)

- A. Interpersonal and Communication Skills
- B. Academic Knowledge Base
- C. Work Experience and Community Service
- D. Multicultural / Diversity Awareness

**Undergraduate Application Form**  
**University of Rhode Island**  
**School of Education ~ Teacher Education Program**

**Complete the following:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ URI ID: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Permanent address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

3. Campus Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

4. How many credits will you have completed at the end of this semester? \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: Overall \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: Only Education courses \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: In major or specialization \_\_\_\_\_ (Secondary and Music applicants only)

5. Area of expected certification:

(\_\_\_\_) Early Childhood Education      (\_\_\_\_) Elementary Education      (\_\_\_\_) Secondary Education  
(\_\_\_\_) Music Education      Other major \_\_\_\_\_      (\_\_\_\_) Physical Education

6. *Secondary applicants only:* Please check intended specialty area(s):

(\_\_\_\_) English      (\_\_\_\_) Biology      (\_\_\_\_) Chemistry  
(\_\_\_\_) Mathematics      (\_\_\_\_) Physics      (\_\_\_\_) History and Social Studies  
(\_\_\_\_) General Science      (\_\_\_\_) Foreign Language  
Which one? \_\_\_\_\_

7. *Elementary and Secondary applicants only:* I am interested in the Middle School Endorsement Program, which expands my certification to allow me to teach in RI Middle Schools (grades 5-8).      Yes (\_\_\_\_) No (\_\_\_\_)

8. *All Applicants:* I am interested in the English as a Second Language Endorsement:      Yes (\_\_\_\_) No (\_\_\_\_)

9. *Secondary applicants only:* Please check semester you anticipate student teaching: Spring 2011 \_\_\_\_ or Spring 2012 \_\_\_\_

**\*Competitive admissions means that a limited number of positions are available in Teacher Education Programs and that some qualified applicants may be denied admission. A faculty committee will review all applications.**

The information on this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***The information below is requested but not required. This self-identification will be used only to describe our student body and for program evaluation purposes.***

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Female \_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_

Cultural Background: \_\_\_\_\_ Black/African American      \_\_\_\_\_ White/Caucasian  
\_\_\_\_\_ Native American/Native Alaskan      \_\_\_\_\_ Asian or Pacific Islander  
\_\_\_\_\_ Hispanic

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