

Undergraduate Admissions Application

UNIVERSITY of RHODE ISLAND

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 25th 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 1st, 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 1st** for the following spring semester admission, and **February 1st** 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%20Programs.html. For more detailed information about admission requirements for the Music Education program, visit:

http://www.uri.edu/artsci/mus/current_students.html.

Classes Required or Recommended Prior to Application:

	Early Childhood	Elementary	Secondary	Music	Physical & Health Education
REQUIRED CLASSES	PSY 113 HDF 200				C or above in: COM 100 WRT 101 KIN 270 BIO 121
RECOMMENDED CLASSES	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

Elementary Education: Dr. Sandy Hicks sjhicks@uri.edu

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

Physical Education: Dr. Lori Ciccomascolo lecicco@uri.edu

Music Education: Dr. Audrey Cardany 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 ~ 2426

Dr. Laura Harper: lharper@mail.uri.edu ~ 4947

Elementary

Dr. Sandy Hicks: sjhicks@uri.edu ~ 5976

Dr. Peter Adamy: adamy@uri.edu ~ 7036

Secondary

English: Dr. Diane Kern: dkern@uri.edu ~ 9490

Foreign Languages: Dr. JoAnn Hammadou: joannh@uri.edu ~ 4712

History/Social Studies: Dr. David Byrd : dbyrd@uri.edu ~ 5484

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

Sciences: Dr. Jay Fogleman: fogleman@mail.uri.edu ~ 4161

Music

Dr. Audrey Cardany: Audrey.Cardany@uri.edu ~ 2001

Physical and Health Education

Dr. Lori Ciccomascolo: 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 ~ 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

Score:	3	4	5
Cum. GPA:	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)

Score:	3	4	5
____ ** PPST	171-174	175-182	183-190
____ SAT	1100-1133	1134-1166	1167-1600
____ ACT	24	25-26	27-36
____ GRE	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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