

The University of Rhode Island  
**A. Robert Rainville Student Leadership Award**  
2009-2010

**Congratulations!** A member of the University community has nominated you for one of the most prestigious awards given to an undergraduate. To continue to be eligible for this award, please complete your application immediately. Bring your completed application to Room 210 Memorial Union or email your application to [rainvill@etal.uri.edu](mailto:rainvill@etal.uri.edu) For more information about the award, stop in Memorial Union Room 210 Student Involvement Office or log onto the Web site [www.uri.edu/rainville](http://www.uri.edu/rainville)

**Please include all information requested below on your application:**

- Name
- On campus address
- and
- Off campus address
- Cell phone
- and other phone number
- e-mail
- Major
- Number of credits enrolled in this semester, your GPA ( minimum 2.5 GPA required)
- Current class year
- Name organizations you belong to and number of semesters in each.
- List any positions you have held in each organization.
- List all your community service activities.

**Note: your answers to A and B should total no more than 2 typed pages.**

**A. Written response to these 2 questions is required.**

1. What have you personally gained from the experiences you have listed above?
2. How have these experiences changed you or contributed to your personal growth and development?

**B. Choose 2 of the following questions and respond in writing.**

1. If chosen to speak to incoming students, what advice would you offer on leadership and service?
2. What do you enjoy the most about your leadership activities and what do you least enjoy?
3. During your time at URI what problems do you find prevalent? How might you go about resolving them?

*(The following information is not part of the award criteria, but will help the selection committee evaluate nominee's activities.*

- List any paid work you have done on-campus since becoming a URI student (excluding summers)
- List any off-campus or on-campus volunteer work
- List any other responsibilities you have while you are a student (athletics, dependent care, etc.)

**Required : Two (2) letters of recommendation:** 2 letters from any member of the University community, staff, faculty member, academic advisor or a student. Please see the enclosed guidelines for the letters of recommendations. Letter writers can give you the recommendation or they can email the recommendation letter to [rainvill@etal.uri.edu](mailto:rainvill@etal.uri.edu)

**You must return your completed application, the essay and the recommendations  
to: Room 210 Memorial Union or email to [rainvill@etal.uri.edu](mailto:rainvill@etal.uri.edu)  
due by Friday, February 12, 2010**

**Incomplete applications will be judged on their merits.**

## LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION GUIDELINES

### Give this to your letter writer

Please keep these guidelines in mind when you are in pursuit of your letters of recommendation.

You may want to give a copy of this to the writer of your recommendation.

- The letter writer should be familiar with your leadership abilities
- The writer should be able to describe your level of involvement and commitment, your skills as a student leader, and your contributions to the university community.
- Letters of recommendation should address your experiences at URI and should answer the question, "How have these experiences contributed to the betterment of the community?"
- Finally, the letter writer should explore your degree of motivation, and how you serve to motivate others.

**Recommendation letters are due on or before Friday, February 12, 2010**

Recommendation writers can either email the letter to [rainvill@etal.uri.edu](mailto:rainvill@etal.uri.edu)

Give the letter to you personally to submit with your application.

Bring the letter to Room 210 Memorial Union