Dedicated to Supporting Your Athletic and Academic Dreams

So, you are considering becoming part of the Rhode Island College athletic family? Here are a few things you should know...

As a student-athlete at RIC, you will have both the honor of participating in intercollegiate sports as well as the responsibility that comes with representing the college both on and off the “field.” From sports to academics to community service and more, you will play an important role in continuing RIC’s rich and vibrant athletic history that began in 1929.

From our world-class competition arena to our recreation center to our academic support and life skills center, our facilities showcase the level of commitment we have to student-athletes. You will also benefit from our outstanding coaches, faculty and staff who will do everything they can to ensure your success at the highest levels both athletically and academically.

As a former Division I wrestler, I know the hard work, dedication and effort it takes to rise to the high standards of college athletics. The fundamental values of college sports – teamwork, sportsmanship, leadership – go hand in hand with RIC’s core values as a higher education institution.

I sincerely hope you decide to take advantage of the wonderful opportunities and rewards that await you as a student-athlete at RIC.

Go Anchormen!

Dr. Frank D. Sánchez
President
Rhode Island College

Welcome

Being a member of the RIC athletic family brings great rewards along with an enormous amount of responsibility.

Rhode Island College competes at the NCAA Division III level and is a charter member of the Little East Conference, which sponsors conference championships and student-athlete recognition; it is truly one of the finest leagues in the nation.

As you compete against other colleges and universities, you will represent not only yourself and our campus community, but also thousands of our proud alumni and the citizenry of the great State of Rhode Island.

Building champions, both on and off the field, is a cornerstone of our athletic philosophy. The athletic and academic experience you will have at our college is second to none. We believe it is extremely important to maintain the appropriate balance between academics and athletics, and we are extremely proud of the support services we provide our student-athletes. Integrity in the classroom and the goal of successfully reaching graduation should be as important as playing for a conference championship. Our coaches, athletic staff and administration strive to provide the tools needed to be successful, not only in college, but throughout life.

We are dedicated to providing top quality athletic and academic experiences, supporting your needs and encouraging your dreams at RIC.

Donald E. Tencher, Director of Athletics

Committed to Excellence on and off the Field

For over 150 years, Rhode Island College has proudly provided our students with some of the best support services in the country, including educational opportunities and high standards of academic excellence.

As Rhode Island’s first public institution of higher education, RIC has been and will continue to be a leader in preparing talented professionals to succeed in the workforce.

Part of RIC’s commitment is providing a highly competitive intercollegiate athletic program, in addition to delivering quality club sports and recreation for all students who wish to participate.

RIC’s intercollegiate athletic program is a national leader in furnishing academic support, life skills programming, competitive scheduling and quality coaching – all in the name of recruiting, training and retaining the region’s best student-athletes.
A Program of Distinction

Rhode Island College first introduced intercollegiate athletics in 1929, but never in our long history has our program experienced the unprecedented growth and success that it has over the past quarter century.

Since 1995 a dedicated team of coaches and staff has been working tirelessly to ensure that RIC student-athletes remain among the most competitive in the region, both academically and athletically.

Over the past decade the college has enjoyed its greatest period of success as one of the nation’s top public institutions; virtually all of RIC’s sports have challenged for conference and regional titles.

In recent years, the men’s basketball team qualified for the NCAA Tournament for eight consecutive seasons, the women’s basketball program won two league titles and made two trips to the NCAA Tournament, the men’s golf team captured five straight conference titles and made five consecutive NCAA Championship appearances, the women’s tennis team won two conference titles and made two trips to the NCAA Championship, and the women’s track and field program won three league titles and sent many individuals to the NCAA Championship.

RIC regularly finishes in the top third in the Learfield Sports Directors’ Cup national standings, presented by National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics to the most successful college athletics programs.

RIC student-athletes consistently maintain superior levels of academic excellence, evidenced by high overall GPAs and high retention and graduation rates.

Intercollegiate Athletics

Participation in intercollegiate athletics is open to all eligible, full-time matriculating students.

It is highly recommended that prospective freshmen contact the head coach of the sport they are interested in, either directly or through their current coach, well in advance of attending the college. Transfer students should contact RIC’s compliance office in addition to the sport’s head coach.

The fall varsity schedule consists of men’s cross country, golf and soccer; and women’s cross country, soccer, tennis and volleyball. In addition, baseball, softball, women’s golf and lacrosse, and men’s tennis have non-traditional fall seasons.

In winter, men’s teams include basketball, indoor track and field and wrestling. Women’s teams include basketball, gymnastics, swimming and track and field.

Spring offerings include baseball, men’s tennis and track and field; and women’s golf, lacrosse, softball and track and field. Both men’s and women’s soccer, women’s tennis and women’s volleyball have non-traditional seasons in spring.
Support and Training

A cornerstone of RIC athletics is the Student-Athlete Success Center, which gives student-athletes access to outstanding academic mentoring and the most sophisticated academic support technology.

As freshmen, student-athletes are automatically enrolled in a learning community that cultivates and nurtures their success. All student-athletes participate in a success course and spend designated weekly hours under the tutelage of an academic mentor.

The RIC Athletic Department provides life skills programming in a number of areas, including résumé writing, job market skills, financial planning and food nutrition, as well as awareness training on issues such as sexual assault, alcohol and drugs.

The department is comprised of professional, supportive staff who always put student-athletes first. RIC administrators and coaches have been consistently recognized as some of the best in both the conference and the region.

Two state-of-the-art sports medicine centers, staffed by outstanding professionals and an on-call orthopedic surgeon, provide our student-athletes with some of the finest training and conditioning in the Northeast.
Facilities of Distinction

The Murray Center, a state-of-the-art, multi-million-dollar intercollegiate complex, is the nexus of RIC athletics. The complex houses the main sports medicine facility, a varsity weight room, the main equipment/laundry room, home and visitor locker rooms, a video room, a welcome center for recruits, the RIC Athletic Hall of Fame and a national tournament-grade competition venue for basketball, gymnastics and volleyball, as well as offices for administration staff and coaches.

The Recreation Center is a multi-faceted facility and home to the department’s Olympic sports. The center features weight and cardio-vascular areas, a swimming pool, an indoor track and a multi-use field house. The center is home to a wrestling practice and competition area, and swimming and track practice facilities. It also houses club sports offices, team meeting rooms, a second sports medicine facility, a multi-media room and varsity and visiting team locker rooms.

Pontarelli Field is the home of Rhode Island College Baseball. This venue includes a press box, seating for 1,000 spectators, a concession stand, restrooms and a cutting-edge message board and electronic scoreboard.

Alumni Stadium is the college’s outdoor varsity competition complex, containing the Robert J. “Bob” Black Track and Anchorman Field. The complex is the home of RIC Soccer and Lacrosse and includes seating for 4,500, a concession stand, restrooms and a cutting-edge electronic scoreboard.

The Tennis Center includes seating for competition and six all-weather, outdoor courts that are utilized by both the men’s and women’s tennis programs.

The Varsity Practice Complex borders the campus’ southern boundary. Comprising five acres of natural grass, the practice grounds support three fields useable for soccer and lacrosse, in addition to an Olympic-quality throwing center for track and field.

The Student-Athlete Success Center was constructed specifically to support the academic and life skills success of the college’s almost 400 student-athletes. It contains a designated study and reading area that can accommodate nearly 80 student-athletes.

The Dayna A. Bazar Softball Complex is the home of RIC Softball. This venue includes a press box, seating for 850 spectators, a concession stand, restrooms and a cutting-edge message board and electronic scoreboard.

The college continues to upgrade its athletic facilities with millions of dollars in enhancements.

Two of every five RIC student-athletes earn GPAs of 3.0 or higher, with over a quarter making the Dean’s List.

Contact Information

Men’s Sports
Baseball 401-456-8258
Basketball 401-456-8075
Cross Country 401-456-2889
Golf 401-456-8007
Soccer 401-456-8251
Tennis 401-456-1954
Track and Field, Indoor 401-456-4617
Track and Field, Outdoor 401-456-4617
Wrestling 401-456-4615

Additional Contact Information
Athletic Administration 401-456-8007
Compliance & Eligibility 401-456-9882
Academic Support 401-456-1952
Sports Medicine 401-456-8161

Women’s Sports
Basketball 401-456-8156
Cross Country 401-456-2889
Golf 401-456-9928
Gymnastics 401-456-8215
Lacrosse 401-456-4616
Soccer 401-456-8260
Softball 401-456-8259
Swimming 401-456-2890
Tennis 401-456-1954
Track and Field, Indoor 401-456-2889
Track and Field, Outdoor 401-456-2889
Volleyball 401-456-8641

For the most up to date information, visit GoAnchormen.com
Enrollment Deadlines
The admission application deadlines for fall enrollment are:
• March 15 for freshman applicants.
• June 1 for transfer applicants.

Financial Aid
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Required forms include FAFSA and the Rhode Island College Financial Aid Application.

In order to provide a future Anchorman or Anchorwoman with the smoothest admission process and the most complete financial aid package, all prospective RIC student-athletes are strongly encouraged to meet the admission and financial application deadlines.

For financial aid questions, please call (401) 456-8033 or visit ric.edu/financialaid.

Housing
If you plan on being a resident student, be sure to meet the college’s deadlines related to residential life. For housing information call (401) 456-8240 or visit ric.edu/residential-life.

Contact Admissions and Schedule a Tour
(800) 669-5760 or (401) 456-8234
Voice or TFF for the hearing impaired.

Office of Undergraduate Admissions
Rhode Island College
The Sylvan R. Forman Center
600 Mount Pleasant Ave.
Providence, RI 02908
admissions@ric.edu

Athletic Tour
To tour our intercollegiate athletic facilities, contact us at (401) 456-8007.
Directions to Campus
Rhode Island College is located in the Mount Pleasant section of Providence, RI at 600 Mount Pleasant Avenue.

From Route 95 Northbound
Take Exit 21 (Broadway exit); turn left at second traffic light (Atwells Avenue). Follow Atwells Avenue for 1.5 miles to the intersection with Mount Pleasant Avenue. Turn right onto Mount Pleasant Avenue. The College entrance is 1.1 miles ahead on the left.

From Route 95 Southbound
Take Exit 21 (Atwells Avenue exit). Turn right onto Atwells Avenue. Continue on Atwells Avenue for 1.5 miles to the intersection with Mount Pleasant Avenue. Turn right onto Mount Pleasant Avenue. The College entrance is 1.1 miles ahead on the left.

From Route 295 Northbound
Take Exit 6A to US Route 6 East. Follow US Route 6 East to the Killingly Street (RI Route 128) exit. Turn left off exit and follow Killingly Street to end. Turn right onto Greenville Avenue and follow to first traffic light. Bear left across the bridge onto Manton Ave. Continue to the next traffic light and turn left onto Fruit Hill Avenue. Bear right at the fork in the road. Campus entrance is approximately 0.2 mile ahead on the right.

From Route 295 Southbound
Take Exit 7A to US Route 44 East. Follow US Route 44 East for 2.8 miles to the intersection with Fruit Hill Avenue. Bear right onto Fruit Hill Avenue. The College entrance is 1.0 mile ahead on the left.

Map Legend
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