

Admissions

REQUIREMENTS

The Community College of Rhode Island has an open admissions policy that offers Rhode Island residents an opportunity for education beyond the high school level. Students who plan to attend CCRI with the intention of transferring to a four-year college or university should take college preparatory courses in high school to obtain a solid foundation in the humanities, languages, arts, mathematics and sciences. Students who have not had the benefit of a college-prep curriculum are offered the opportunity to develop this knowledge and skill base through a variety of developmental and introductory classes.

A high school diploma or its equivalent is not a general admissions requirement of the college provided the student is 18 years of age, the compulsory age for high school attendance in Rhode Island. Students who are younger than 18 years of age must submit official high school or GED® transcripts indicating a graduation date prior to enrolling at the college.

A high school diploma or its equivalent is required for admission to the Culinary Arts Assistant program and the following Health Sciences programs.

In addition, individual departments may have specific admissions requirements that students must meet. Because many of the programs listed below have specific space limitations for admission, it is to the student's benefit to complete special admissions requirements as soon as possible.

Dental Assisting	Medical Laboratory Technology
Dental Hygiene	Nursing
Diagnostic Medical Sonography	Phlebotomy
Emergency/Disaster Management	Physical Therapist Assistant
Emergency Management/Homeland Security	Renal Dialysis Technology
Fire Science/Emergency Medical Technician	Radiography (X-ray)
Health Care Interpreter	Respiratory Therapy
Histotechnician	Occupational Therapy Assistant
Homeland Security	Opticianry
Magnetic Resonance Imaging	Therapeutic Massage

CCRI has instituted a performance-based application process for selected Health Sciences programs. Please see page 115–116 for more information.

All transcripts submitted for admission must be official and sent to CCRI's Office of Enrollment Services directly from the respective institution. Applicants with GED® credentials should have a transcript of equivalency scores sent to CCRI from the General Equivalency Center. Equivalencies from correspondence schools are not acceptable. Home-school transcripts must be official and documentation from the local school district approving the home schooling program should be submitted to the Office of Enrollment Services.

In the case of secondary education received outside of the United States, transcripts must be evaluated to determine whether they meet U.S. secondary school completion requirements. A list of authorized agencies that evaluate foreign transcripts is available in CCRI's Office of Enrollment Services or at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/pdfs/international-student-app.pdf.

Although the College Board SAT® test is not required for admission to CCRI, students who take the SAT® or ACT® may list CCRI as a report school. Test scores will provide additional information for course placement.

The Rhode Island Board of Education established the residency rules for students attending the three state institutions of higher education: the University of Rhode Island, Rhode Island College and the Community College of Rhode Island. The residency policy is available on the website at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/residency.html.

ADMISSION DATES

Applications are processed as they are received. Performance-based Health Science applications are accepted during designated months. Please see www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/performancebasedapplications for more information. Students should apply online as early as possible.



Continuing Degree Students

As a currently enrolled student, you will receive registration information via MyCCRI announcements.

Information about applying for financial aid is available at www.ccri.edu/oes/fa.

Check for available courses at www.ccri.edu/oes/available_courses.html.

A degree evaluation/advisement report is available through MyCCRI at myccri.ccri.edu.

Consult with Advising and Counseling to ensure proper course selection for your program of study.

Use online registration to sign up for courses you wish to enroll in for the next semester.

Refer to the Bursar's Office payment calendar on the website at www.ccri.edu/bursar. Send full payment for your courses or participate in our payment plan.

Print a copy of your schedule which can be accessed via MyCCRI at myccri.ccri.edu. Please check your MyCCRI for updates.

Attend classes during the semester. Consult an adviser about planning which courses to take in future semesters. If you are undecided about your program of study or future, consult a counselor. For more information, contact the Department of Advising and Counseling at www.ccri.edu/advising.

New or Returning Degree Students

Register for an Admissions information session to learn about academic programs at <http://webfor.ccri.edu/infosessions/selectterm.cfm>.

Complete the Application for Enrollment online at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/learnhowtoapply.html. You also can download the application from our website at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/pdfs/ccri-paper-application.pdf. A \$20 application fee is required.

Send all official college transcripts to: CCRI, Flanagan Campus, Office of Enrollment Services, 1762 Louisquisset Pike, Lincoln, RI 02865.

Information about applying for financial aid is available at www.ccri.edu/oes/fa.

For information on when semesters begin, see the college calendar on the website at www.ccri.edu/academics/calendar.html.

Upon completion of the online Application for Enrollment, you will receive an electronic acceptance message and a formal acceptance letter in the mail that will include information about placement testing.

After completing placement testing, attend a freshman registration session to select your courses and register. Counselors will be available to assist you.

Attend New Student Orientation.

Refer to the Bursar's Office payment calendar on the website at www.ccri.edu/bursar. Send full payment for your courses or participate in our payment plan.

Print a copy of your schedule which can be accessed via MyCCRI at myccri.ccri.edu. Please check your MyCCRI for updates.

Attend classes during the semester. Consult an adviser about planning which courses to take in future semesters. If you are undecided about your program of study or future, consult a counselor. For more information, contact the Department of Advising and Counseling at www.ccri.edu/advising.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSION

International students applying for admission to the Community College of Rhode Island must submit the following by March 31 for acceptance to the college for the upcoming fall semester (no acceptances for spring semester). The International Student Application is available at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/pdfs/international-student-app.pdf.

1. Completed **Application for Enrollment** with \$20 nonrefundable application fee.
2. Evidence of **proficiency in the English** language demonstrated by submitting one of the following:
 - Official test score results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). Minimum acceptable score is 500 on the paper-based TOEFL, 61 on the Internet-based TOEFL **OR**
 - Official transcript from an accredited college or university indicating completion of an equivalent three-credit Composition I course with a minimum grade of C **OR**
 - Acceptable score on English placement exam given by CCRI's Department of Advising and Counseling.
3. An **evaluation** by an accrediting agency certifying that secondary school transcripts indicate equivalency to U.S. secondary school completion. A list of authorized agencies is available in the Office of Enrollment Services or at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/pdfs/international-student-app.pdf.
4. **Personal Data Statement**, a form included in the foreign applicant packet available at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/pdfs/international-student-app.pdf.
5. If the applicant's personal funds are not supporting his or her education, the college will accept a sponsor's evidence of financial support and a signed affidavit written or translated in English stating that the sponsor is accepting full financial responsibility for the student while he or she is in attendance at the Community College of Rhode Island.

International students

- must pay out-of-state tuition and fees.
- are not eligible for financial aid.
- must attend full time (12 credit hours) each semester.
- do not have on-campus housing available.

Once accepted, students will be issued an acceptance packet with an accompanying I-20 form (Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant [F-1] Student Status).

NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

The New England Board of Higher Education (NEBHE) Regional Student Program allows students to attend CCRI at a regional tuition rate which is 150 percent of the current in-state tuition rate. To be considered for the regional rate, students must be enrolled in a degree or certificate program.

- Students who live in any New England state outside of Rhode Island qualify for the 150 percent NEBHE tuition rate effective January 2013.
- Out-of-state applicants to the Dental Hygiene program **do not qualify** for the NEBHE tuition rate.
- Students who return to CCRI after a break in enrollment are held to the NEBHE policy in place at the time of their return.

For further information, please visit www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/residency/nebhe.html.



UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS LIVING IN RHODE ISLAND

In 2011, the Rhode Island Board of Education approved a measure granting in-state tuition to students who are neither U.S. citizens nor permanent residents of the United States, provided they attended a Rhode Island high school for three or more years and continue to live in Rhode Island; graduated from an approved Rhode Island high school or received a GED® credential; and signed an affidavit confirming that they are seeking legal status.

Students who wish to apply for in-state tuition based upon this criteria must complete and submit an application and affidavit, which can be found at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/residency.html. Students must also collect and submit documentation to show that they meet the requirements for receiving in-state tuition and fees.

For more information, visit www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/residency.html or call the Office of Enrollment Services at 401-825-2003.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

For more information about special programs for high school students, visit www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/partnerships or call CCRI's Office of Enrollment Services at 401-825-2003.

Running Start Program

High school seniors who wish to study at CCRI on a full-time basis during the day may be eligible to earn college credit and credit toward high school graduation simultaneously. The Running Start Program is for high school students who have demonstrated academic achievement and the maturity necessary to enroll in college courses during their senior year of high school. The Running Start application is available at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/partnerships/runningstart.html.

High School Enrichment Program

High school juniors and seniors who wish to take CCRI courses on a part-time basis (up to six credits) are required to complete an application for the High School Enrichment Program which is available in high school guidance departments or at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/partnerships/highschoolenrichment.html. Course selection is made at the discretion of the high school counselor or principal. Registration may be contingent on course availability and instructor agreement.

High School/Community College of Rhode Island Partnership Program

The High School/Community College of Rhode Island Partnership Program offers high school students the opportunity to earn college credits while in high school. Students enrolled in selected high school courses that meet CCRI curriculum requirements obtain college credits upon successful completion of the high school course, high school graduation and enrollment at CCRI. Interested high school students should contact

their school counselor as soon as possible so they may enroll in appropriate classes while in high school.

To obtain credit, students must submit an official high school transcript and an Articulated Credit Form available at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/partnerships/HSCCRIPartnership.html.

Prepare RI

There are state funds available to support special programs for high school students. For more information about Prepare RI dual and concurrent enrollment programs, please visit the Rhode Island Department of Education website: www.ride.ri.gov.

VETERANS EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Students who qualify for veterans educational benefits may obtain enrollment and certification information by visiting www.ccri.edu/oes/veterans.

According to Rhode Island General Law (30-30.2-3 (2)), all combat veterans of the United States Armed Forces, the National Guard, the Reserves, and the United States Coast Guard shall have priority course registration at any Rhode Island public institution of higher education. The next day, priority registration is open to all veterans and their families who are using VA Education benefits.

