

# International Student Information 2020

[www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/international](http://www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/international)

Thank you for your interest in the Community College of Rhode Island. CCRI is New England's largest community college in the nation's smallest state. We have students enrolled across four campuses in Warwick, Lincoln, Newport, and Rhode Island's capital city, Providence. We welcome students from around the world to start their higher education here in Rhode Island!

We're dedicated to providing students with the knowledge, skills, and training necessary to enter high-quality careers or transfer to four-year institutions. We are pleased you are interested in our college and hope you will consider CCRI as you finalize your plans to become an international student.

Please be sure to carefully read all the information included in this packet. As a prospective international student, you have several steps to complete before your International Student Application can be considered.

Please note that CCRI does not have residence halls for its students, so as an international student, you will be responsible for making your own arrangements for housing and planning appropriate time needed for travel and relocation.

Thank you for your interest in the Community College of Rhode Island, and we look forward to working with you as you take your next step toward an education in the U.S.

Sincerely,

Rob Giovino  
International Student Admissions  
Community College of Rhode Island

# Application Checklist

[www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/international](http://www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/international)

## **Mail the following documents to apply as an international student.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Application for Enrollment (fillable document on pages 5 and 6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Data Statement (fillable document on page 8)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Proof of English Proficiency (if necessary -- see page 3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Declaration of Financial Recourses/Affidavit of Support (fillable document on page 9)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Notarized bank letter (obtain official documentation from your bank -- see page 12)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Education documentation (obtain official documentation from your school -- see page 4)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of I-20 (if currently attending school in U.S.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of passport

## **After you are accepted, you will need to bring these items to register for classes.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Signed I-20 (included in your acceptance packet)
- \_\_\_\_\_ F-1 VISA
- \_\_\_\_\_ I-94
- \_\_\_\_\_ I-901 payment receipt
- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed Immunization Form for International College Students (included in your acceptance packet)

## **Mail all documents to:**

Rob Giovino  
PDSO-International Student Admissions  
Community College of Rhode Island  
400 East Avenue  
Warwick, RI 02886 USA

# Admission Requirements

[www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/international](http://www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/international)

## ADMISSIONS DEADLINES

International students are only accepted for the fall semester. Applications not complete after the deadline will not be considered.

**May 31:** Students outside the U.S.

**June 30:** Students already in the U.S.

## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

Fill out the International Student Application for Enrollment included on pages 5 and 6 of this packet. You can fill out the form online, but will need to print, sign and mail the form to submit.

## PERSONAL DATA STATEMENT

We need the summary of vital background information included on page 8 of this packet to process your International Student Application for Enrollment.

## PROOF OF ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

International students may not take ESL courses at CCRI. Applicants whose native country's official language is English are not required submit proof of English proficiency.

Evidence of English proficiency is demonstrated by submitting **one of the following:**

- Official test results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), with a minimum score of 500 on the paper-based TOEFL or 61 on the internet-based TOEFL. Find out more about the TOEFL at [www.ets.org/toefl](http://www.ets.org/toefl).
- Official transcript from an accredited college or university indicating completion of an equivalent three-credit ENGL-1010 Composition course with a minimum grade of C.
- Acceptable score on English placement exam given by CCRI's Department of Advising & Counseling. This test is available only if you are presently in the United States.

## PROOF OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

International student are charged out-of-state tuition and fees. Students/sponsors must show that there is financial funding available to support the student while in the United States by completing **both the following dated within the last six months:**

- CCRI Declaration of Financial Resources/Affidavit of Support (see page 9), signed by the sponsor and notarized
- Notarized letter on bank letterhead with signature from officials showing a minimum cash savings balance equivalent to at least \$29,900 U.S. dollars in sponsors account

# Admission Requirements

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## **EDUCATION DOCUMENTATION**

Certification of a U.S. high school diploma equivalent must be submitted directly from an official evaluating agency to the Community College of Rhode Island. See a list of official evaluation agencies on page 10. Submit official transcripts of all study completed at the high school and college level.

If you successfully attended a U.S. college or university full time for at least one year, the diploma equivalent requirement will be waived. Official transcripts from all U.S. colleges you attended are required.

## **AFTER ACCEPTANCE**

Upon entrance to the United States, schedule an appointment with Rob Giovino in the CCRI Admissions Office: [rgiovino@ccri.edu](mailto:rgiovino@ccri.edu) or 401-825-2288. At this meeting you will receive all the information you need to register for classes, including scheduling an ACCUPLACER test time.

### **Please bring the following to this meeting:**

- Signed I-20 (included in your acceptance packet)
- F-1 VISA
- I-94
- I-901 payment receipt
- Completed Immunization Form for International College Students (included in your acceptance packet)

## **IMMUNIZATION FORM FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS**

All full-time students and students entering with a visa must complete Sections A and B of the Immunization Form for College Students. This form is available online at [www.ccri.edu/immunization](http://www.ccri.edu/immunization).

## **ACCUPLACER TEST**

This mandatory test will help place you in the appropriate first semester classes at CCRI. Find out more about the test and how to prepare at [www.ccri.edu/accuplacer](http://www.ccri.edu/accuplacer).



# International Student

**4** Please indicate your program choices. Please print clearly.

**Why are you enrolling at the Community College of Rhode Island?** Please help us to better serve each of our students by providing us with the primary reason that you are seeking to enroll at CCRI (please check only one of the following):

- I wish to obtain an associate degree from CCRI.
- I wish to obtain an associate degree from CCRI and then transfer to a four-year school.

**Please Note**

CCRI has a performance-based application process for Health Science programs. Those who apply to these programs are accepted into General Studies. Once preadmission requirements for the desired Health Science program are completed successfully, the students must submit a performance-based Health Science application. Acceptance is based on a point system where points are earned by academic achievement. Submission of a performance-based Health Science application does not guarantee acceptance into the program.

**What program of study are you interested in pursuing?**

I am interested in a degree program

1st choice \_\_\_\_\_  
Campus Program of study name

2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_  
Campus Program of study name

Intended Entry Date 

2	0	2	0
YEAR			

Fall

**5** High school history: Please complete as appropriate. Please print clearly.

**I have or will have:**

High school diploma †  
 \_\_\_\_\_

GED® credential †  
 \_\_\_\_\_

4	0	9	7	7	7
<small>Code</small>					

		<small>DIPLOMA DATE</small>			
<small>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</small>					

<small>Code</small>					

		<small>DATE RECEIVED</small>			
<small>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</small>					

† Please forward a copy of your translated and evaluated official high school transcript or GED® credential to the Office of Enrollment Services as soon as it is available.

**6** College history. Please list ALL colleges and universities previously attended and submit official transcripts with translations and evaluations. Please print clearly.

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If prior college experience, please indicate highest degree earned: \_\_\_\_\_

**7** Agreement:

I certify that the information that I have provided on this application is true and correct. Further, by signing this form, I agree to abide by the rules and regulations at, and fulfill all financial obligations to, the Community College of Rhode Island.

\_\_\_\_\_ Application date

\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's signature

# Programs of study

## Business Administration

Degree  
Accounting  
Financial Services  
General Business  
Management  
Marketing

## Chemistry

Degree  
Chemical Technology

## Communication and Film/Media

Degree  
Communication and Film/Media  
Communication  
Film/Media

## Computer Studies and Information Processing

Degree  
Computer and Networking  
Technology  
Computer Desktop  
Technology  
Computer Networking  
Technology  
Computer Programming  
Cybersecurity  
General Information Processing  
Information Technology Support  
Specialist  
Networking  
Web Technologies

## Fine Arts

Degree  
Art  
Music  
Jazz Studies Concentration  
Music Concentration  
Theatre  
Performance Concentration  
Technical Concentration

## General Studies

Degree  
General Studies

## Health Sciences

ALLIED HEALTH  
Degree  
Diagnostic Medical Sonography  
Histotechnician  
Medical Laboratory Technology  
Radiography  
Respiratory Therapy

## DENTAL HEALTH

Degree

## EMERGENCY/DISASTER MANAGEMENT

Degree  
Emergency Management/  
Homeland Security  
Fire Science/Emergency  
Medical Technician

## NURSING

Degree  
Nursing

## REHABILITATIVE HEALTH

Degree  
Occupational Therapy Assistant  
Physical Therapist Assistant

## Human Services

Degree  
Early Childhood Education  
and Child Development  
Education and Special Education  
Social Service Majors:  
Gerontology  
Mental Health  
Social Work  
Substance Abuse

## Legal Studies

Degree  
Law Enforcement  
Paralegal Studies

## Liberal Arts

Degree  
Liberal Arts  
Liberal Arts – English  
Liberal Arts – World Languages

## Physics and Engineering

Degree  
Advanced Manufacturing  
Technology  
Engineering Systems Technology  
CNC Manufacturing  
Concentration  
Electrical Concentration  
Energy Utility Concentration  
Mechanical Concentration  
Engineering Transfer  
Biomedical Concentration  
Chemical Concentration  
Chem-Biology Concentration  
Civil Concentration  
Computer Concentration  
Electrical Concentration  
Industrial Concentration  
Mechanical Concentration  
Ocean Concentration

## Professional Studies

Degree  
Administrative Assistant/  
Secretary  
Legal Administrative Assistant/  
Secretary  
Medical Administrative Assistant/  
Secretary

## Science

Degree  
Science

\*Programs are subject to change.



For more information:  
401-825-2003  
webadmission@ccri.edu

[ccri.edu/apply](http://ccri.edu/apply)

**Knight Campus**  
400 East Ave.  
Warwick, RI 02886

**Flanagan Campus**  
1762 Louisquisset Pike  
Lincoln, RI 02865

**Liston Campus**  
One Hilton St.  
Providence, RI 02905

**Newport County Campus**  
One John H. Chafee Blvd.  
Newport, RI 02840

Classes are also offered online:  
[ccri.edu/distance](http://ccri.edu/distance)

and at:  
**Westerly Education Center**  
23 Friendship St.  
Westerly, RI 02891

# Personal Data Statement

## HOME COUNTRY ADDRESS

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. \_\_\_ Mrs. \_\_\_ Miss \_\_\_ Ms. \_\_\_  
Last First Middle (check one)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Province/Territory \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

## U.S. ADDRESS

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Native Language \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

Passport Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

Marital Status: \_\_\_ Married \_\_\_ Unmarried \_\_\_ Children

If you are married or have children, will your spouse or children come with you? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Contact Person in the U.S. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Where do you want us to send your I-20: \_\_\_ Home Country \_\_\_ U.S. Address \_\_\_ Pick up

## FOR APPLICANTS CURRENTLY IN THE UNITED STATES

What type of VISA do you have? (F-1 or other, please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date of Current VISA \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

I-94 Card Date on Entrance \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

I-94 Card Date of Expiration \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year



# Declaration of Financial Resources/ Affidavit of Support

## To be completed by Financial Sponsor

I, \_\_\_\_\_, will financially sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ in his/her academic studies at the Community College of Rhode Island. I am fully aware that my sponsorship will financially cover a full course of study (12 or more credits) each semester the student is attending CCRI under the F-1 Visa holder SEVIS I-20.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, will be directly responsible for all payments made to CCRI Bursar Office.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that any non-payment or late payments of student tuition and/or fees resulting in a Bursar Office student account hold, under full course of study or any other action affecting student enrollment is a direct violation of the students F-1 Visa status and SEVIS I-20.

I will be directly responsible for academic year 2020-2021 at the Community College of Rhode Island:

- Full-time tuition and fees = 12,900\*
- Books and supplies = 1,500\*
- Transportation = 1,800\*
- Other education expenses = 2,400\*
- Average room and board (includes utilities) - not available at CCRI = 11,300\*

\*Amounts are subject to change

**Total rounded expenses to be reflected in financial form and notarized letter on bank letterhead = \$29,900**

Name of family member or sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the student \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

This Affidavit of Support MUST be notarized and accompanied by a notarized letter from your bank (in English or translated) showing a minimum cash savings balance equivalent to at least \$29,900 U.S. dollars.

Notary Stamp/Seal

Notary Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Approved Agencies for the Translations of Foreign Documents

All foreign credentials (i.e. high school and college academic transcripts) must be translated and evaluated by one of the authorized agencies listed below in order to be reviewed for transfer credit. A course-by-course evaluation with grade and credit hour equivalency is required by the Community College of Rhode Island.

**Please have the agency send 2 official evaluations to:**

Community College of Rhode Island  
Admissions Office  
400 East Ave  
Warwick, RI 02886  
Attention: Rob Giovino

## Recognized Agency Contact Information

### Center for Educational Documentation

Box 170116  
Boston, MA 02117  
Tel: 617-338-7171  
Email: [info@cedevaluations.com](mailto:info@cedevaluations.com)  
Website: [www.cedevaluations.com](http://www.cedevaluations.com)

### Educational Credential Evaluators

PO Box 514070  
Milwaukee, WI 53203-3470  
414-289-3400  
Website: [www.ece.org](http://www.ece.org)

### Education Evaluators International, Inc.

125-28 Queens Blvd, #701  
Kew Gardens, NY 11415  
Tel: 401-521-5340  
Email: [eval@educei.com](mailto:eval@educei.com)  
Website: [www.educei.com](http://www.educei.com)

### Globe Language Services, Inc.

305 Broadway, Suite 401  
New York, NY 10007  
Tel: 212-227-1994  
Website: [www.globelanguage.com](http://www.globelanguage.com)

### World Education Services, Inc.

Bowling Green Station  
PO Box 5087  
New York, NY 10274-5087  
Tel: 212-966-6311  
Website: [www.wes.org](http://www.wes.org)

### SpanTran Evaluation Services

450 Seventh Ave., Suite 400  
New York, NY 10123  
Tel: 646-475-2570  
Website: [www.spantran.com](http://www.spantran.com)

# Frequently Asked Questions

These are some of the questions international students have about applying and acceptance at CCRI. If you have any additional questions, please don't hesitate to contact Rob Giovino: [rgiovino@ccri.edu](mailto:rgiovino@ccri.edu) or 401-825-2288.

## **When can I apply to CCRI as an international student?**

We only accept international students in the fall. To make sure we have time to process your application, prospective students outside the U.S. need to submit everything on the application list by May 31 for the fall semester, which starts in August. Students already in the U.S. can submit applications until June 30.

## **What are the registration and placement requirements at CCRI?**

Registration and placement in classes is dependent upon English proficiency, ACCUPLACER testing and individual program requirements.

## **Do all my admissions requirements have to be submitted before I can register for classes?**

You will only be admitted and allowed to register for classes after all admission requirements are fulfilled. These requirements must be completed prior starting in the fall.

## **How do I show English proficiency?**

The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL; find out more at [www.ets.org/toefl/ibt/register/](http://www.ets.org/toefl/ibt/register/)) is offered worldwide several times during the year. CCRI requires this test, as international students are not eligible to take English as a Second Language (ESL) classes.

## **If my native and first language is English, do I need to take the TOEFL?**

No, but you will be required to take the ACCUPLACER assessment test ([www.ccri.edu/accuplacer](http://www.ccri.edu/accuplacer)).

## **If I completed an ESL program at another institution, do I still have to take the TOEFL when applying to the college?**

Yes, and you will need to meet the minimum score of 500 on the paper-based TOEFL or 61 on the online version.

## **If I arrive in Rhode Island after classes start, can I still attend?**

No. You must arrive in Rhode Island prior to the start of your SEVIS I-20, but not more than 30 days before the start date. You must arrive before classes begin to ensure all necessary documentation has been submitted, and that you have time to complete ACCUPLACER testing, registration and orientation.

## **Will I be able to participate in varsity sports at CCRI?**

If you are interested in varsity athletics, you are welcome to try out. Find out more about athletics and teams at CCRI: [www.ccri.edu/athl](http://www.ccri.edu/athl).

## **Is financial aid available for international students?**

As an international student, you are not eligible for financial aid through the Community College of Rhode Island. EduPASS ([www.edupass.org/finaid/](http://www.edupass.org/finaid/)) has more information about resources available to international students.

# Frequently Asked Questions

## **What needs to be in a notarized bank letter?**

CCRI requires a notarized letter from your bank as part of your application. This letter needs to be on bank letterhead, signed by bank officials, dated in the last six months, and show a cash savings balance equivalent to at least \$29,900 U.S. dollars in your sponsor's account.

## **How do I receive an I-20 form?**

After you are officially accepted to the Community College of Rhode Island, you will receive a SEVIS Form I-20 in your CCRI acceptance packet. A SEVIS I-20 is not a visa.

## **What is SEVIS?**

The Student Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS; find out more at [www.ice.gov/sevis](http://www.ice.gov/sevis)) is a webbased system for maintaining international student and exchange visitor information in the United States.

## **What is the SEVIS I-901 fee?**

You or your sponsor must pay the SEVIS I-901 fee ([www.fmjfee.com/#](http://www.fmjfee.com/#)) of \$350 dollars before applying for your F-1 Visa. You must have the receipt to petition for your F-1 Visa.

## **How do I get my F-1 Visa?**

Make an appointment with a United States Embassy or Consulate ([www.usembassy.gov/](http://www.usembassy.gov/)) in your home country to petition for an F-1 Visa after you are accepted to CCRI. You will need to provide the following documentation: SEVIS Form I-20, I-901 fee receipt, copy of the CCRI Declaration of Financial Resources/ Affidavit of Support document, copy of notarized bank letter and CCRI acceptance letter.

## **If my home country denies my petition for an F-1 Visa, do I have to pay the fee again?**

If you apply to CCRI again, we will issue a new I-20, with a new identification number, so your previous SEVIS I-901 fee receipt will not match. You will be required to pay the SEVIS I-901 fee again.

## **Are there U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services requirements for an F-1 student?**

You must maintain full-time status (a minimum of 12 credits) each semester while maintaining all F-1 regulations in accordance with the U.S. government. Find out more at [www.ice.gov/sevis/students](http://www.ice.gov/sevis/students).

## **Can I work while on an F-1 Visa?**

As an international student on an F-1 Visa, your primary objective is to study and attend class as a student. After your first successful semester, you can apply for on-campus work only. You may work 20 hours a week during the academic semester and 40 hours a week during the summer. However, due to limited on-campus job availability, do not assume there will be on-campus jobs available.