

What is the JAA?

The Joint Admissions Agreement (JAA) is a contract among the Community College of Rhode Island, Rhode Island College (RIC) and the University of Rhode Island (URI) that enables students to move efficiently from an associate degree to a bachelor's degree, and allows students to graduate from CCRI with an associate degree in General Studies and 60 credits that will apply directly to specified bachelor's degree programs at RIC or URI. For CCRI students who intend to complete an associate degree and then transfer to RIC or URI, this is an opportunity to be conditionally accepted to one of these schools while a student at CCRI.

Benefits of the JAA

By signing up for the JAA at CCRI and completing a General Studies associate degree in one of the designated transition plan programs, students will:

- earn 60 credits that will be applied toward a baccalaureate degree program at RIC or URI.
- have advisors from CCRI and from RIC or URI guiding them while a student at CCRI.
- register for courses at the same time as other students at RIC or URI who have the same number of credits.
- have the opportunity to earn a tuition reduction (officially known as the Joint Admissions Award for Academic Achievement) available only to JAA students.
- be exempt from paying the application fee at RIC or URI.
- be conditionally enrolled at RIC or URI while a student at CCRI.

Who can participate in the JAA?

First-time students enrolled at CCRI can sign up to participate in the JAA program prior to earning 30 college-level credits. Read the JAA documents for additional information on JAA eligibility and program requirements.

JAA program requirements

- Sign up for the JAA prior to earning 30 college-level credits
- Meet with a CCRI JAA advisor and a RIC or a URI JAA advisor each semester
- Successfully complete all the requirements in one of the JAA transition plans as described on www.ribghe.org/ritransfers.htm and www.ccri.edu/jaa
- Meet all institutional and program-specific requirements at CCRI and at RIC or URI
- Graduate with a minimum 2.4 grade point average
- Complete the associate degree within five years of signing up for the JAA
- Submit an official CCRI transcript, the intent-to-enroll form and an enrollment deposit to RIC or URI by the published deadlines



Steps to take

1. Make an appointment with an advisor at CCRI to discuss the JAA and complete the application, which is available in the Advising and Counseling Department on any of CCRI's campuses.
2. Meet with a CCRI advisor and a RIC or URI advisor every semester to choose courses required for the JAA transition plan at CCRI.
3. Complete all JAA requirements to ensure the maximum number of credits will be applied to the bachelor's degree.

More information is available from:

- Advising and Counseling or Enrollment Services offices on any CCRI campus and the admissions offices at RIC (Providence) and URI (Kingston and Providence)
- Financial aid offices (for tuition and financial aid information)
- The JAA coordinator (jaa@ccri.edu)
- RI Transfers (ribghe.org/ritransfers.htm) and www.ccri.edu/jaa have links to the Joint Admissions Agreement, the Student Guide, FAQs and transition plans

To contact JAA advisors:

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| CCRI | 401-333-7160 (Lincoln)
401-851-1625 (Newport)
401-455-6186 (Providence)
401-825-2301 (Warwick)
or send an e-mail to jaa@ccri.edu |
| RIC | 401-456-8083
or send an e-mail to jaa@ric.edu |
| URI | 401-874-4076
or send an e-mail to jaa@etal.uri.edu |

Financial Aid Benefit: Joint Admissions Award for Academic Achievement (JA-AAA)

CCRI students enrolled through the JAA may earn a financial award for high academic achievement. The Joint Admissions Award for Academic Achievement (JA-AAA) is available to students upon enrollment at RIC or URI.

To qualify for this financial award, students must meet all the JAA requirements and earn an associate degree with a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA).

Upon graduation from CCRI, eligible students will receive a tuition reduction for their first year at RIC or URI based on a cumulative GPA, according to the following scale:

GPA	Tuition Reduction
3.0 - 3.24	10%
3.25 - 3.49	20%
3.5 or above	30%

Students who maintain at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA can renew this tuition reduction award for a second or third year. The amount of the tuition reduction, however, will depend upon the GPA earned at the conclusion of the previous academic year based on the above scale.

Contact the financial aid office at RIC (456-8033) or URI (874-9500) for more information.



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From the associate degree



to the bachelor's degree



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