

University of Rhode Island Concurrent Enrollment Program Teacher Information

What is the Concurrent Enrollment Program at URI?

The Concurrent Enrollment Program at the University of Rhode Island offers students in high schools the chance to study college level courses and receive college credit for their efforts. Students benefit by the opportunity to address the challenges of college level curricula with their high school teachers in a familiar environment at fees substantially lower than on-campus courses. Interested teachers should contact URI about teaching a concurrent course.

Who is Eligible?

This program is designed for motivated students, typically juniors and seniors, who seek to get a head start on college credit and who are looking to be challenged academically while in high school. To be eligible, students should have a 3.0 minimum GPA or recommendation of school counselor or teacher. Exceptions to the criteria must have the recommendation of the school counselor and/or school administrator and/or teacher.

What Do Teachers Need to Know and What Qualifications Do They Need?

- A specific university department/college agrees to a partnership with a Rhode Island high school to offer a course at the high school
- High School teachers deliver URI approved college course content in the high school classroom.
- High school teachers can only teach the approved college syllabus with all designated books and course materials.
 - They are supervised by a URI faculty member through on site visits-at least twice a semester, observation of classes, reading student papers, checking teacher comments on student work and teaching model lessons from time to time.
 - In some cases, high school teachers may be expected to attend a one day URI event to engage with faculty members and other high school teachers delivering the same course content.

Approval Process:

The approval process takes about six weeks. For a high school teacher to be approved for teaching a URI course, the teacher must complete the follow steps:

1. Submit official transcript information to the college department to verify a Master's degree in the content area. The qualifications by course are listed on the RIDE website in the course catalog.
2. Receive the approval of both the department and the college must approve the credentials of any teacher designated to teach an approved URI course.
3. Ensure that the school leader or district administrator is aware of and approves the course that is desired to be taught.
4. Contact the specified person below to begin the process of being approved.

Contact Information:

- High School teachers interested in finding out about how to connect with a specific URI department to discuss the possibility of offering an approved URI course at their high school can contact **Christine P. Dolan, christine@uri.edu, 401-277-5388.**
- For WRITING 104 course questions/inquiries, please contact **Frank Romanelli Jr, fromanelli@uri.edu, 401-277-5057.**

Website: <http://web.uri.edu/prov/future-students-admission/concurrent-enrollment-program>