RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE

Rhode Island College Entrance at Fruit Hill

Rhode Island College (RIC) is home to approximately 6,000 students and offers high-quality academic programs combined with real-world, experiential learning. Known for small class sizes and a high return on investment, RIC provides an exceptional educational experience. The college is proud to offer the Hope Scholarship, allowing qualifying students to earn a four-year degree with two years of tuition-free education. RIC is also the only Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) and Minority-Serving Institution (MSI) among Rhode Island's four-year colleges.

RIC provides programs in artificial intelligence, computer science, computer information systems, and cybersecurity, including Rhode Island's only business-focused cybersecurity degree. This program equips students with both technical and business skills, preparing them to meet cybersecurity

challenges across all sectors of the economy. The curriculum emphasizes hands-on experience and innovative thinking, ensuring graduates are ready to enter this high-demand field immediately after graduation. Faculty collaborate closely with local companies to align classroom learning with the skills most valued by employers.

The Institute for Cybersecurity & Emerging Technologies at RIC oversees the college's cybersecurity and artificial intelligence programs. These include bachelor's degrees in cybersecurity and artificial intelligence, a cybersecurity minor, and two artificial intelligence minors. The Institute is led by former U.S. Congressman Jim Langevin, a prominent voice in cybersecurity for over 20 years and a former member of the House Committees on Armed Services and Homeland Security. Congressman Langevin's expertise shapes the curriculum and brings top cybersecurity leaders, such as CISA Director Jen Easterly and White House National Cyber Director Harry Coker, Jr., to speak on campus.

RIC's cybersecurity and AI programs will soon be housed in a newly renovated academic hall featuring an IBM Cyber Range. This state-of-the-art facility simulates real-world cyberattacks in a virtual command center, allowing students to develop practical skills in defending against ransomware, phishing, network intrusions, and other cyber threats within a safe, controlled environment.

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