

ENROLLING AT RIDER

NEXT STEPS

FALL 2020 EOP FRESHMEN

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ADMISSION TO RIDER UNIVERSITY!

THERE ARE SEVERAL IMPORTANT STEPS YOU MUST TAKE BEFORE ENROLLING IN THE FALL SEMESTER.

- Set Up Your myRider Portal**
(Skip this step if you've already done it.)

Go to **myRider.rider.edu**, click **Claim Your RIDER KEY** and enter the information requested.

(Find your Bronc ID in the technology letter included in your acceptance packet, or on your Be-A-Bronc applicant dashboard.)

Read and accept **Rider's Rights and Responsibilities of Users Policy**. Then confirm your username, set up the security questions, and create your **RIDER KEY** password. (For help claiming your RIDER KEY, call Rider's Technology Help Desk at 609-219-3000).

- Apply for the Maurice Palmer Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is awarded to one first-time Rider EOP freshman each year. The successful candidate must demonstrate leadership skills, a commitment to working with others, and the ability to contribute to the University community. All first-time Rider EOP freshmen are eligible. To apply, visit **rider.edu/eop**

- Submit Your Deposit(s) to Secure Your Place in the Entering Class**

Freshmen entering in Fall 2020 are required to live on campus for their first two years at Rider if their permanent address (living with a parent or legal guardian) is more than 30 miles from campus.

However, to fully engage in Rider's living and learning community, all students are strongly encouraged to live on campus. For more information, visit **rider.edu/housing**.

On-Campus Resident Students: If you plan to live on campus, submit a \$40 deposit, which includes the \$20 tuition deposit plus the \$20 housing deposit. (Instructions for paying deposits are on the back of this page.)

Housing for your first term is guaranteed if all deposits and the online housing application are **received by Friday, May 1**. If your deposit is received after May 1, you'll select housing on a space-available basis. Our online housing application is available through the student portal at **myRider.rider.edu**.

Commuter Students: If you are not living on campus, submit the \$20 tuition deposit. (Instructions for paying deposits are on the back of this page.)

NOTE: After May 15, your Rider email account will be activated and all future emails will be sent to your "@Rider.edu" address. You can access your email through your myRider portal.

- Complete Your Housing Application**

After making the housing deposit, complete the housing application via your myRider student portal. After you've completed the application, the Office of Residence Life will email instructions for room selection.

- Plan Your Finances**

99% of Rider students receive financial aid, so we encourage all new students to complete a 2020-2021 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) **as soon as possible**. If you are a NJ Dreamer, you should file the New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application at **hesaa.org/Pages/NJAlternativeApplication.aspx**. We can help you and your family develop a strategy to finance your education and maximize your eligibility for funding. Our financial aid counselors are here to assist with the FAFSA process and discuss your financial needs.

You and your parents can call 609-896-5360 to speak with a counselor or make an appointment to meet with us during your next campus visit. For more information, go to **rider.edu/finaid**.

- Sign Up for Admitted Student Day**

We hope you and your family will join us **Saturday, March 7** or **Saturday, April 4** for Admitted Student Day to celebrate your admission to Rider. Can't make it? Join us on **Saturday, March 28** for an **Admitted EOP Student Information Session** (register online at **rider.edu/eop**). You're also invited to **Be a Bronc for a Day** or schedule a campus tour; register for these events at **rider.edu/admittedstudents**.

- Attend the Pre-Freshman Summer Academy**

All freshmen accepted through EOP are required to attend a **free, mandatory five-week residential Summer Academy**, which begins on **Sunday, July 5**. More information about this program will be mailed to you soon from Rider's EOP office.

- Keep Your Grades Up**

Your admission is contingent upon satisfactory completion of any academic course work in progress before you enroll. It is your responsibility to ensure that all official transcripts, including those for courses in progress, are forwarded to the Office of Undergraduate Admission by **Monday, Aug. 3**.

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Get Credit for College Courses

Any college courses you complete while in high school may be eligible for college credit. **Credit evaluations will include only work that is recorded on official college transcripts.** Evaluations are conducted by the Dean's Office of the college to which you have been admitted. A final evaluation of your credits, including those completed during the current term, will be provided after an official final transcript is received by the Office of Admission.

AP/IB Credit: If you have taken Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate exams, have those scores sent directly to Rider for evaluation. You'll find our AP/IB credit policy at rider.edu/ap.

For Test Optional

If you were admitted to Rider as a test-optional applicant, and you took the SAT or ACT test, you are strongly encouraged to send your scores to the Office of Admission by **Friday, May 15**.

The tuition deposit is **\$20** and the housing deposit is **\$20**.

How to Submit Your Tuition & Housing Deposits

We offer two options for paying your tuition and housing deposits. **All deposits are non-refundable.** Please read all instructions carefully.

By Phone

To pay your deposit by phone with a credit card, call the Cashier's Office at **609-896-5390**.



Attend Orientation and Complete Placement Testing

EOP placement testing and orientation takes place at the beginning of the Pre-Freshman Program in July. Visit rider.edu/orientation for details about placement testing requirements and exemptions.

Complete Your Financial Agreement

The federal government requires that all students certify their understanding of the financial obligations associated with enrolling in college **before they can register for courses.** We've made the process easy. Simply log in to your **myRider** student portal to read and electronically sign your financial agreement.

Register for Courses

You will register for courses during Orientation.

Change Your Major

To change your program of study before you enroll, email a written request to admissions@rider.edu. Program changes are permitted only with Office of Admission approval.



By Check or Money Order

Make your check or money order payable to Rider University. If you are a commuter, pay only the \$20 tuition deposit. If you plan to live on campus, send one check or money order in the amount of \$40 (to cover the \$20 tuition deposit and \$20 housing deposit).

Be sure to include your full name and Bronc ID (see the bottom of your acceptance letter) on your check or money order.

Send your payment with your completed Admission Decision Form to:

Office of the Cashier
Rider University
2083 Lawrenceville Road
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO OUR UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY.

If you have questions or need help completing the enrollment process, please contact Rider's Office of Admission at:

PHONE: **609-896-5042 OR 800-257-9026**

EMAIL: **ADMISSIONS@RIDER.EDU**



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