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SPRING & FALL 2020 ENROLLMENT GUIDE



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IT'S TIME TO GET ←

#RIDERREADY

YOU'RE JUST A FEW STEPS AWAY FROM ONE OF THE MOST EXCITING ADVENTURES OF YOUR LIFE!

Congratulations on your admission to Rider. You'll be joining a community of students who dream big, work hard and know how to have fun together.

Our focus on Engaged Learning means you'll connect the lessons of the classroom to the real world in ways you never imagined – and you'll be supported by faculty and staff who are laser-focused on helping you succeed.

The good news is you're nearly #RiderReady! This brochure will be your step-by-step guide as you finalize your enrollment at Rider. It's also filled with helpful information as you prepare to join the Rider community.

We hope you'll decide to Be a Bronco and make Rider your home!

CONNECT WITH YOUR PERSONAL ADMISSION COUNSELOR AT
RIDER.EDU/ADM COUNSELOR

JOIN THE CONVERSATION Connect with your new classmates on Facebook at **Rider University Class of 2024**



WHAT ARE YOUR NEXT STEPS

Check the Next Steps insert in your acceptance folder for important dates like Admitted Student Days, Be a Bronc for a Day, Transfer Tuesdays and Orientation – plus information on how to secure your place at Rider.

1. COME CELEBRATE!

Admitted Student Days

We roll out the red carpet for you and your family during this official celebration of your admission to Rider. You'll meet your new classmates, explore your academic major with our faculty, discover the many activities and organizations we offer, hear about how Engaged Learning at Rider will change the way you learn, and learn how you can connect to all Rider has to offer.

Watch for your invitation! Register at rider.edu/admittedstudents

DID YOU APPLY TEST OPTIONAL? If you are a freshman who was admitted to Rider as a test-optional applicant and you took the SAT or ACT, you are strongly encouraged to send your scores to the **Office of Admission by May 15.**



ORIENTATION DATES

SPRING 2020

For All New Incoming Students

January 24 (Friday)

FALL 2020

First-Year Student Orientation

June 28-29 (Sunday-Monday)

July 1-2 (Wednesday-Thursday)

July 15-16 (Wednesday-Thursday)

July 19-20 (Sunday-Monday)

July 22-23 (Wednesday-Thursday)

For the latest Orientation details, schedules and answers to frequently asked questions, visit rider.edu/orientation.

International Student Orientation

August 25-28 (Tuesday-Friday)

International students who will be living on campus can arrive and move into their rooms on Tuesday evening, August 25.

Transfer Student Orientation

July 9 (Thursday)

September 1 (Tuesday)

2. GET YOUR FINANCIAL AID IN ORDER

File the FAFSA if you haven't yet done so.

To be considered for any need-based financial aid, filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is your first step. It's faster and easier than ever before.

You can begin filing the FAFSA anytime after October 1, 2019. For maximum aid consideration for fall 2020, file by February 1, 2020. The FAFSA is available at fafsa.gov. Rider's Federal School Code is **002628**.

Talk with us. We're here to help. That's why you'll be assigned a personal financial aid counselor who will remain with you throughout your years at Rider. To maximize your eligibility for funding, let us help you and your family develop a strategy for financing your education. Start by scheduling a phone or in-person meeting with your financial aid counselor.

3. COME TO ORIENTATION!

Our Orientation programs are packed with practical information for you and your parents – mixed together with plenty of fun so you can meet your newest friends and classmates.

Orientation – required of all first-year students – is brought to you by the Office of Transition Programs, located in the Bart Luedeke Center. It's also your "one-stop shop" for quick assistance and advice.

You'll be mailed a letter inviting you to register for Orientation.

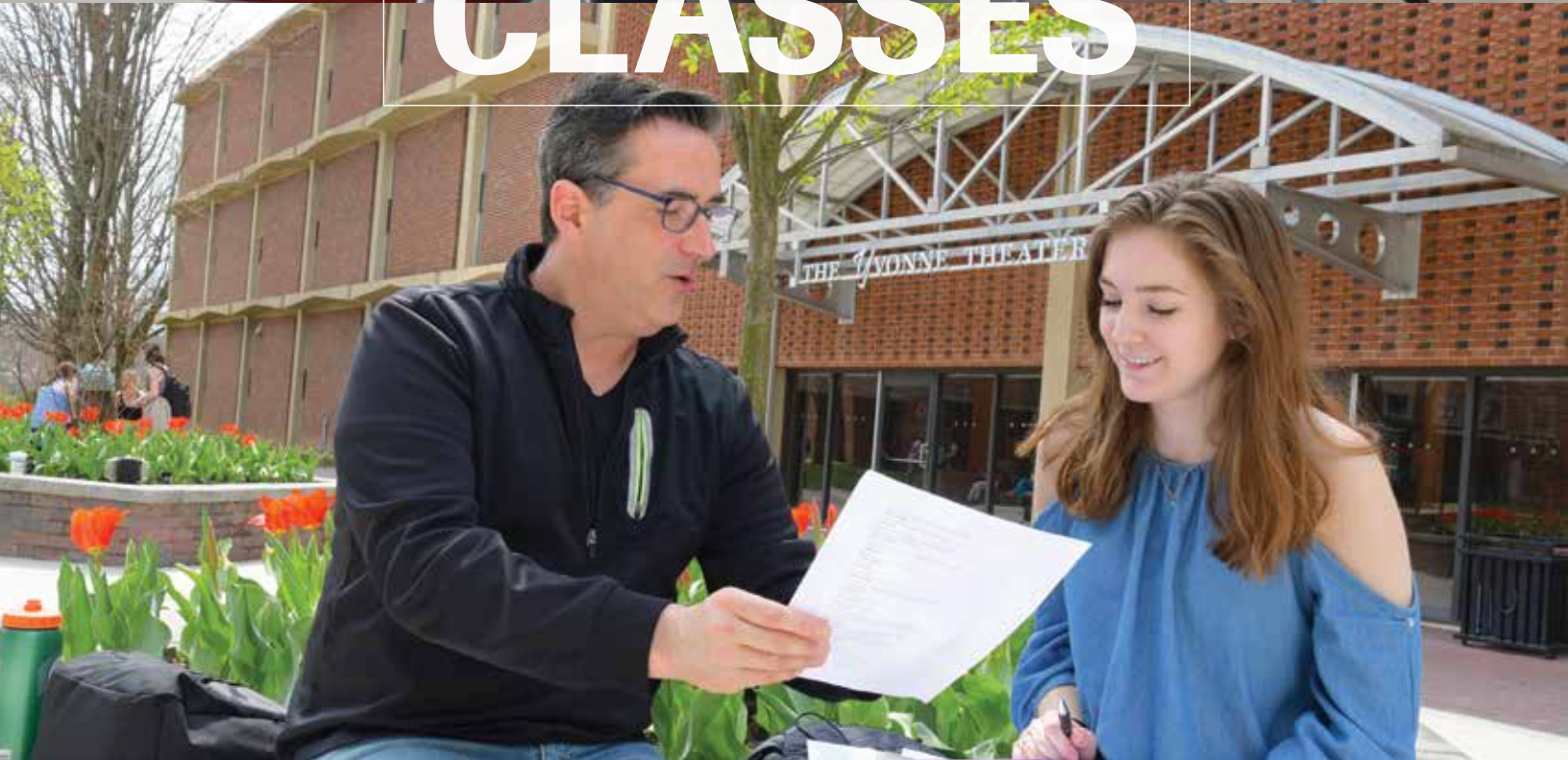
Want to know more? Learn what happens at Orientation at rider.edu/orientation.

RIDER AND PLACEMENT TESTS You may be asked to take placement tests to help us determine the best level of study for you. Transfer students may be exempt based on previous college course work. For details, please visit rider.edu/orientation and click on "Placement Testing."



GETTING READY FOR <

CLASSES



CHANGING YOUR MAJOR? To change your major from the program of study to which you were admitted, submit a written request to admissions@rider.edu before classes begin.

DON'T FORGET!
Your official transcripts must be received before the start of classes.

FINALIZE YOUR ACADEMIC RECORD

Keep up your grades. Don't slack off in the classroom once you're admitted! Our offer of admission depends on your satisfactory completion of any academic work in progress before you enroll at Rider.

Send us your (official!) results. Be sure to have all your official academic transcripts — including those for courses in progress — sent to **Rider's Office of Admission by August 3 for the fall semester or January 15 for the spring semester** — or as soon as your courses are completed.

GET THE CREDIT YOU DESERVE

Advanced Placement & International Baccalaureate Credit

If you've taken College Board Advanced Placement (AP) subject tests or International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, you may receive credit if you submit your official score report to Rider's Office of Admission. Our complete policies, including score requirements, are on our website at:

- Advanced Placement (AP): rider.edu/AP
- International Baccalaureate (IB): rider.edu/IB

College Courses

If you took courses for academic credit with a college while in high school, send Rider's Office of Admission the official transcripts for a credit evaluation.

Transfer Credit Evaluation

If you are transferring courses to Rider, your credit evaluation includes only work that was recorded on your transcripts at the time of Rider's admission decision. A final evaluation of all your credits, including those completed during the current term, will be sent after Rider's Office of Admission receives the final official transcript from the college or university you are currently attending.

Credit evaluations are processed by the academic coordinator of the college to which you have been admitted. After you receive your written credit evaluation, contact your college representative (see list below) concerning any questions you may have about your credits and further information.

REGISTER FOR COURSES

Are You a First-Time Freshman?

You'll register for classes during Orientation.

Are You Transferring to Rider?

Once you have paid your tuition deposit and received your credit evaluation, contact your college representative (see list below) for further information on choosing and registering for classes.

1,000+ internships, co-ops and field placements are completed by Rider students each year as part of their degree studies.



complete at least one internship, field experience or co-op position before graduating.

100+
Regional & National Presentations

Student/faculty collaborations result in more than 100 joint presentations at professional conferences each year.

Norm Brodsky College of Business

Credit Evaluation & Transfer Registration
Jaime Hall, 609-896-5293
jhall@rider.edu

College of Liberal Arts & Sciences

Credit Evaluation
Michele Figueroa, 609-896-5000 Ext. 7302
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Transfer Registration
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College of Education & Human Services

Credit Evaluation & Transfer Registration
Terri Podgorski, 609-895-5710
tpodgorski@rider.edu

Westminster College of the Arts

Credit Evaluation & Transfer Registration
Marjory Klein, 609-921-7100 Ext. 8230
mklein@rider.edu

FREQUENTLY ASKED FINANCIAL AID QUESTIONS

HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT FINANCIAL AID?
THESE PROGRAMS ARE FOR YOU!

FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP

Saturday, Jan. 25

A comprehensive look at financial aid, available types of aid and how to file the FAFSA. One-to-one conversations also are offered.

FINANCIAL AID COUNSELING

Saturday, April 18

Meet one-to-one on campus with a financial aid counselor to discuss your specific needs and concerns.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

You can meet with a Rider financial aid counselor at an Admitted Student Day on March 7 or April 4 – or schedule a personal meeting or phone call at any time. Call **609-896-5360** or email **finaid@rider.edu**.

2020-21 Expenses (Estimated)

Official costs will be announced in spring 2020.

	Resident	Commuter
Tuition	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000
Room & Board	\$ 15,500	N/A
Technology, Student Government & Orientation Fee	\$ 1,015	\$ 1,015
Total Direct Charges*	\$ 61,515	\$ 46,015
Books & Supplies	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Personal Miscellaneous**	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,600
Total Cost of Attendance	\$ 65,015	\$ 52,115

* Actual costs may vary depending on program of study and housing choice.

** Personal Miscellaneous – Includes transportation, entertainment, clothing, additional meals, etc. International students should refer to their I-20 documents, included with the letter of admission.

QUESTIONS? If you have questions about financial aid or need help filing the FAFSA, visit **rider.edu/finaid** or call **609-896-5360**.

DID YOU KNOW? Need-based aid is not available to international students – but renewable scholarships are!

WHEN WILL I GET MY FINANCIAL AID OFFER?



Your financial aid offer will be made as soon as you are admitted to Rider University and have completed the FAFSA.

- Rider begins processing need-based financial aid around **February 1**.
- If you are admitted through Early Action and file the FAFSA by November 15, you will receive your financial aid offer letter by **December 20**.
- You can file the 2020–21 FAFSA anytime at **fafsa.gov**.

CAN I TALK TO SOMEONE ABOUT MY FINANCIAL AID?

We encourage you to schedule a phone or personal meeting with your financial aid counselor with any questions you may have, especially if this is the first time you are going through the financial aid process. Counselors are available for individual and group advising at Rider’s Admitted Student Days. Individual phone or in-person appointments can also be scheduled at your convenience, including our Saturday Financial Aid Counseling session on April 18.

WHAT IS FINANCIAL AID VERIFICATION?

First-time students are randomly selected by the federal government through the FAFSA to participate in a process called “verification.” Typically, you will be asked to provide such basic and readily available information as your and your parents’ federal income tax returns to “verify” your finances. Be sure to respond quickly to all document requests.

CAN I GET A JOB ON CAMPUS TO HELP WITH COSTS?

Rider offers all interested students work/study and other employment opportunities, including jobs on campus and at select nonprofit organizations in the area. It’s a great way to earn income to help meet day-to-day expenses. Unlike other forms of assistance, these funds are paid directly to you for the hours actually worked. Rider holds a **Job Fair** every September to introduce students to these opportunities.

TUITION & PAYMENT PLANS

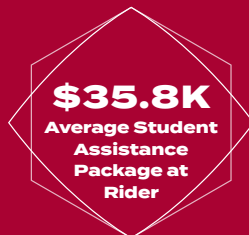
You’ll receive your bill for tuition, fees, and room and board about six weeks before classes begin each semester. Payment is due before the semester begins — so now is a perfect time to begin planning how to meet your financial commitment for college.

To help you and your family with financial planning, see the opposite page for the University’s estimated tuition, fees, room and board charges for 2020–21. We also have projected an average of the additional expenses a Rider University student might incur during the nine-month academic year. These include items such as books, transportation, clothing, entertainment and other miscellaneous expenses.

Financial aid packages are developed based on the total cost of attendance. Costs for 2021–22 tuition, room and board, and fees will be announced in spring 2021.



Amount Rider annually awards in scholarships and financial aid



REMEMBER — WE’RE HERE TO HELP! Financing an education can be challenging. Our financial aid staff is here to help you. From the moment you apply to Rider, you are assigned a financial aid counselor who will remain with you throughout your years at Rider so it will be easy to track your history and plan ahead.

HANDS-ON



Internships. Co-op. Field work. Research. Hands-on learning allows you to sharpen your insights and enhance your professional skills.



COLLABORATE

You'll become a better thinker and problem solver through the power of teamwork, working with your professors and fellow students.

LEAD



Challenge yourself. You'll stand out from the competition through your ability to collaborate, communicate and build teams.

THE PILLARS OF ENGAGED LEARNING

The arts can change your heart, mind and soul. When you both appreciate and engage in the creative and performing arts, you grow as an educated person.



CREATE

Get involved. Be it politics, hunger, homelessness or the environment — choose a cause and become a true agent of change.

SERVE



Open your eyes and heart. Immersing yourself in a new culture means you'll never think of yourself — or others — in the same way.

WORLD-VIEW



What Is Engaged Learning? Engaged Learning is the common, unifying thread that connects every part of living and learning at Rider. It's a deeply personal and destiny-changing experience for every student. **How it transforms you will be uniquely yours to determine.** Visit our website at rider.edu/EngagedLearning.

EXPERIENCES THAT COUNT



Engaged Learning is the heart of the Rider experience. You'll pursue your passions, connect your knowledge to the real world, and discover your talents and strengths. In fact, we think it's so important that Engaged Learning is now a graduation requirement at Rider.

As a student, you'll track all your learning experiences and accomplishments outside the classroom – including leadership roles, research with faculty, community service, arts and creativity, cultural exploration and internships – to create a personal **Engaged Learning Transcript**. This important document will be an official record of how you applied your classroom knowledge to practical settings in the real world. When you graduate, your official University records will include both a traditional Academic Transcript and an Engaged Learning Transcript.

All undergraduate students must earn a minimum of six points spread across at least two Engaged Learning categories to fulfill Rider's graduation requirements. If you transfer to Rider with 31 or more credits, you only need three points.

You'll receive more details about the Engaged Learning Transcript during Orientation and from your academic advisor. To learn more, visit rider.edu/EngagedLearningProgram.

GET STARTED YOUR FRESHMAN YEAR!

To introduce you to Engaged Learning at Rider, be sure to participate in Rider's New Student Engagement Experience. Through this program, you can earn a point toward your **Engaged Learning Transcript** by attending six campus events during your first year at Rider. Learn more at rider.edu/EngagedLearningProgram.

BRONC NATION: STUDENT ENGAGEMENT TOOL

Interested in becoming involved in one of our more than 150 student clubs and organizations? Want details on a campus concert, gallery show or lecture? Bronc Nation – Rider's online student engagement tool – can link you to your areas of interest, provide details on upcoming events, and help you become involved in our vibrant living and learning community.

You'll also rely on Bronc Nation to record all your nonacademic Engaged Learning experiences – from volunteer community service to any leadership roles you hold in clubs and organizations. These experiences will be applied to your Engaged Learning Transcript.



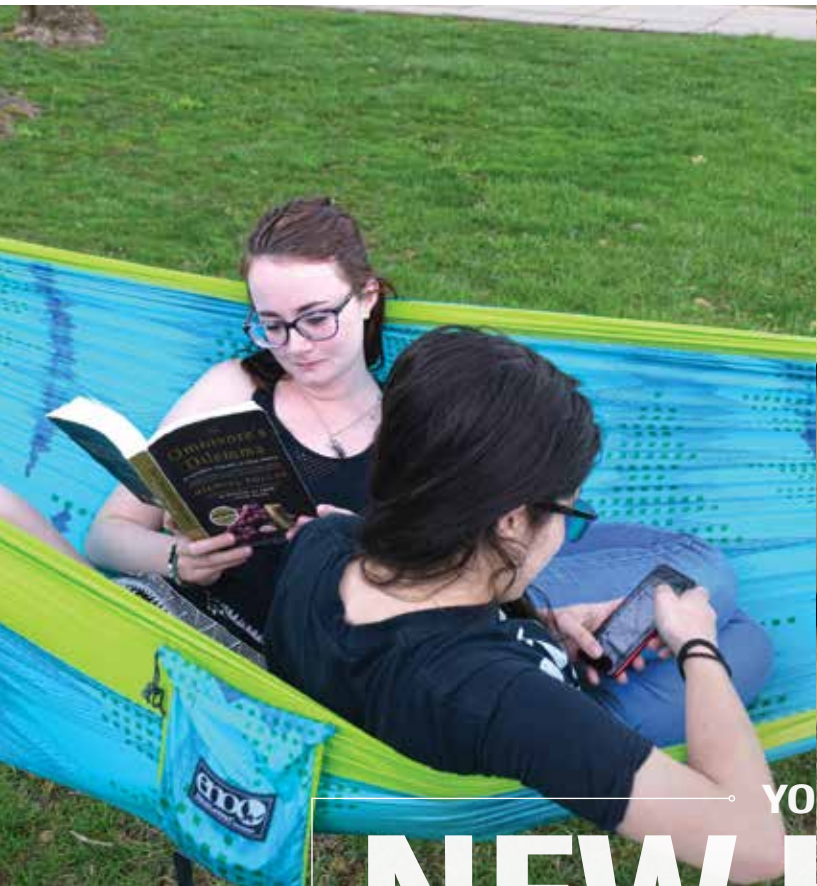
One of the goals of a great education is to prepare you for a fulfilling career.

At Rider, that thoughtful and interactive journey starts in your first semester. **Career Development & Success** will help you explore your interests, identify your academic path, secure impressive hands-on experience, and develop the kind of job search skills that will lead to the career of your choice.

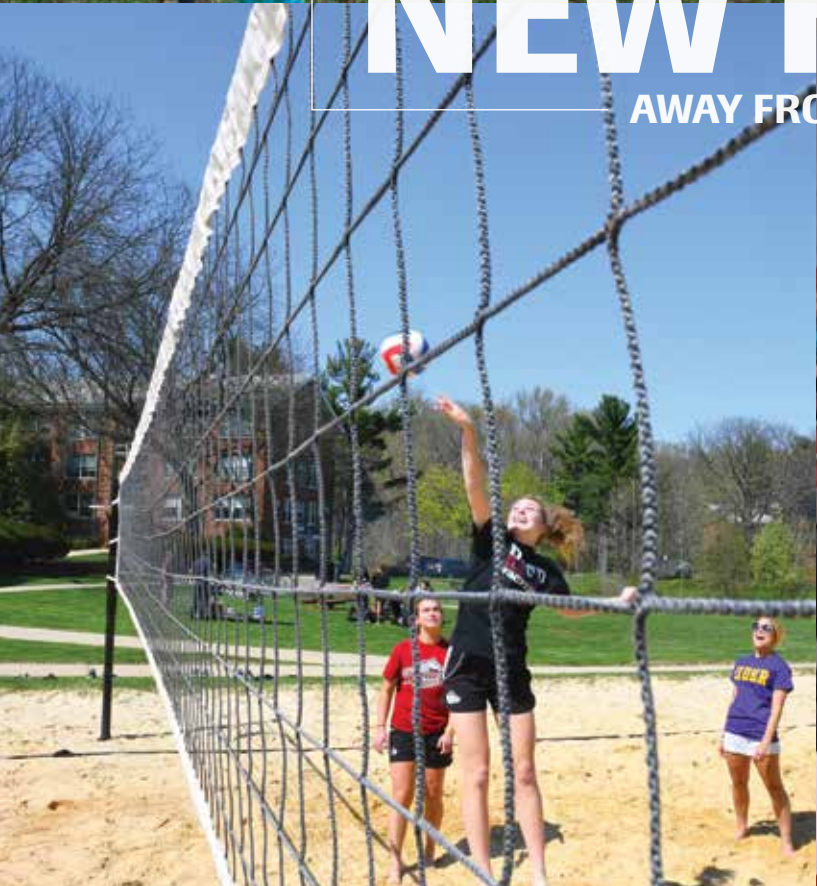
To learn more, visit rider.edu/careers.

YOUR ENGAGED LEARNING TRANSCRIPT will give you a competitive edge when you graduate.

How Does It Work? Engaged Learning at Rider goes to the heart of the question, "What is the best way for me to learn?" You'll discover your strengths and pursue your passions by connecting to the pillars that best support your interests and ambitions.



YOUR ←
NEW HOME
AWAY FROM HOME



GREEK LIFE Nearly 14% of all Rider students belong to a fraternity or sorority. Nine Greek organizations have residences on campus, located on or near Sorority and Fraternity Rows. Some Greek houses have their own dining facilities, operated by members of their organization.
NOTE: First-semester freshmen are not permitted to join Greek organizations.



LIVING ON CAMPUS IS ABOUT MORE THAN GAINING A ROOM AND A ROOMMATE — IT'S A WHOLE EXPERIENCE.

You'll meet new friends, learn about yourself, discover how to adapt and explore new ideas. Most first-year students live in residence halls located near the main entrance to the University or near Centennial Lake. All are convenient to our classrooms, dining hall, recreation center, and library.



ARE YOU REQUIRED TO LIVE ON CAMPUS?

Freshmen 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.



ROOM TYPES

Rider offers a variety of housing options, which include standard rooms (two or three people to a room), singles, suites and apartments. Coed and single-sex housing options also are available.

LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Each year, students are invited to participate in residential and/or academic Learning Communities. Students who choose to become members of these communities will live, take classes and study with a core group of fellow Learning Community students.

For details about Rider's Learning Communities and the opportunities they offer, visit rider.edu/housing.

SPECIAL INTEREST HOUSING In addition to our Learning Communities, Rider also offers special interest housing, including All-Female Residence Hall | Fine and Performing Arts House | The International Community | Wellness Floors



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FOR HOUSING INFORMATION To learn more about on-campus housing options, please visit [rider.edu/housing](https://www.rider.edu/housing).

ROOM SELECTION INFORMATION

Fall room selection priority for new students is based on the date that your deposit is received by the Office of Residence Life.

For students entering Rider in the spring, your housing deposit is due by **January 15**. If you are entering in the fall, your housing deposit is due **May 1**.

RESIDENCE LIFE STAFF

Helping you make the transition to community living are the members of Rider's Residence Life staff. They include Community Assistants (CAs) – student leaders who undergo extensive training to help solve problems, develop programs, engage and link students to key resources and much more. Each residence hall has one CA for every 30 students and one Community Director (CD).

VACATION BREAKS

During the Thanksgiving, winter and spring breaks, our residence halls are closed. If you are an international student or have special circumstances, contact the Office of Residence Life for assistance in securing housing during these periods.



Split up the big items with your roommate! Alarm clock • Backpack • Blanket • Bulletin board/rub off board • Cable cords (25 ft. 75 Ohm cable TV wire; 25 ft. telephone cord; 15-25 ft. Ethernet category 5 cable) • Calculator • Can opener • Carpet/area rug (10' x 12') • Checks/credit cards • Cleaning supplies • Coat hangers • Coffee maker • Coins (for vending machines) • Cup/mug • Curtains (63"L x 94"W) • Datebook/planner • Detergent (laundry) • Disks or thumb drive • Eating utensils • Envelopes • Fan • First aid basics • Flashlight • Fun-Tak • Hair dryer • Hot pot • Iron • Laundry basket • Light bulbs (not halogen) • Linens • Mattress pad/egg crate foam • Needle and thread • Notebooks • Pens/pencils • Pictures/posters • Pillows • Plates/dishes • Power strip with built-in fuse • Prescriptions • Radio/stereo/CDs/tapes • Rain gear • Small refrigerator (4 cubic feet max.) • Scissors • Sheets (80" long) • Shower caddy • Shower sandals/flip-flops • Stamps • Stapler • Storage containers • Study lamp • Surge protector • Tape • Telephone (each roommate) • Television • Toiletries • Tools (hammer, screwdriver, etc.) • Towels • Trash container and bags • Water bottle

ROOMMATE PREFERENCES

For students applying for housing in the fall, you'll have the opportunity to select your room and choose your roommate. During the online application process, you and your roommate must confirm your intent to room together prior to room selection. Students applying for spring admission or after the room selection timeline will be placed in an available space. Your responses to the roommate questionnaire in the housing application will be used in choosing a roommate.

ROOM ESSENTIALS

Your room will include a bed, dresser, desk, chair, and closet or wardrobe.

Free High-Speed Internet, TV & Phone Service
All Rider residence halls are wireless. Each room also has hook-ups for cable TV and high-speed Internet access – plus a landline phone hook-up that includes free voicemail, free domestic long distance calling, and an individual telephone number.

Laundry – No Quarters Needed! Each residence hall has a laundry room equipped with washers and dryers that are free of charge for residents.

COMPUTERS



Some academic majors – such as accounting and information systems – require students to have a laptop computer.

To learn more about these requirements, please visit **rider.edu/laptop**.

The majority of students bring their own computers, but Rider also has multiple computer labs that open early and close late every day.

SHEETS THAT FIT & MORE! Find right-sized sheets and other room essentials at Rider's online Campus Market. They're guaranteed to last until graduation! Go to **ocm.com/rdr**.

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HEALTH INSURANCE

All Rider students must have health insurance coverage. Rider offers a University-sponsored medical plan. Typically these insurance costs are lower than what you can purchase as an individual. You may opt out of the University-sponsored medical plan if you are covered under another insurance plan. More information is available at rider.edu/studenthealthinsurance.

The Student Health Center

Whenever you need help for a medical or health-related problem, the Student Health Center is there for you! Located in Poyda Hall, the Student Health Center serves the health care needs of all full-time undergraduate residents and commuter students. Nurse practitioners and nurses, who work with a collaborating physician, staff the Center from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

If you need care outside these hours, Rider's student health insurance (see above) covers emergency services at local health care facilities. In addition to providing first aid for accidents, the Student Health Center evaluates and treats acute illnesses, and provides needed laboratory testing, inhalation therapy, crutches and medications. A Women's Health Clinic is offered two mornings per week. For more information, visit rider.edu/health.

NOTE: State law requires all first-time residents to submit proof of meningitis vaccination. All degree-seeking students under age 31 must also show proof of Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MM&R) vaccination and completion of the Hepatitis B vaccination series.



SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Do you have a cognitive, psychological, physical or sensory disability? Do you need academic, residential or dining accommodations? Do you require accessible books and classroom materials? Do you need academic coaching or other disability-specific services? The Student Accessibility and Support Services Office can help. For information, email us at accessibility@rider.edu, call **609-895-5492** or visit rider.edu/sass.

STAYING SAFE

Your safety is the top priority of Rider's Public Safety Department. For your protection, you'll see our public safety officers patrolling campus 24/7. They're also certified in first aid and CPR, as well as fire safety. They're here for you – get to know them!

Security and fire safety reports are posted online at rider.edu/SecurityandFireSafetyReports.

They include three years of campus crime statistics, campus security policy statements, residential fire statistics, fire safety and other information. Paper copies of the reports are available via the Department of Public Safety by calling **609-896-5029** or by emailing jflatley@rider.edu.

EQUITY IN ATHLETICS

Rider University complies with the Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act (EADA). You can review EADA information for Rider and other institutions at <http://web1.ncaa.org/GSRSearch/exec/homePage>. Information on the completion and graduation rates for Rider University student-athletes and those of other NCAA institutions can be found at ncaa.org/about/resources/research/division-i-graduation-success-rates-search.

LOOKING FOR MAIL? (WE'RE TALKING THE SLOW KIND!) As a resident student, you'll be given a mailbox number and personal mailbox in your residence hall. You can buy stamps and mail letters and packages right on campus at the University Mail Center.

PLANES, TRAINS, AUTOMOBILES ... AND BUSES!

Shuttle Bus

Rider offers a campus and local area shuttle bus on the weekdays and during select weekend hours. Routes and hours of operation are available at the Information Desk in the Bart Luedeke Center.

Buses

Head to the main entrance of campus to catch public transit to nearby shopping areas, downtown Princeton and Trenton, and the Hamilton and Trenton train stations. Schedules are available at the Information Desk in the Bart Luedeke Center.

Trains

New York City and Philadelphia are just a quick train ride away! From the Hamilton or Trenton stations, you can ride Amtrak or the NJ Transit Northeast Corridor line to New York City, and Philadelphia and the surrounding areas. At the Trenton and West Trenton station, you can take SEPTA train service to Philadelphia or the surrounding areas.

Planes

Philadelphia International Airport and Newark Liberty International Airport are the two airports most convenient to Rider.

Yes — You Can Bring a Car!

If you are a commuter student, parking is free.

Rider also allows first-year residents to bring cars to campus, but because parking is limited, a one-time, non-refundable fee is charged for a parking permit. The current fee is \$300 and is subject to change in 2020-2021.

To apply and pay for a parking permit, go to rider.edu/parking. Parking permit stickers (one set per resident) can be picked up at One-Stop Student Services in the Bart Luedeke Center during fall move-in, or at the Office of Public Safety.

Students are responsible for registering their cars on campus (and those of guests) with Rider's Public Safety Office in the General Services Building.



ESPECIALLY FOR COMMUTERS

Commuter students are among our top campus leaders. If you'll be commuting to Rider from home or an apartment, plan to get involved by joining clubs, participating in sports, working on campus and attending campus social events.

The Association of Commuting Students

The Association of Commuting Students (ACS) sponsors activities and events, and provides a forum for commuter student concerns and issues. In addition, it's a great way to meet fellow commuters. Located on the first floor of the Bart Luedeke Center, the Commuter Lounge is next to the ACS office, and offers students a place to have lunch, study and relax together watching TV/videos.



PUT ON YOUR
**DANCING
SHOES!**

Dance until you drop at Rider's
I Love College Dance Party



IT'S THE
BIGGEST!

Our fall Scream Screen drive-in
movie fest features the largest
inflatable movie screen on
the East Coast

TO APPLY AND PAY FOR A PARKING PERMIT, go to rider.edu/parking. Parking permit stickers (one set per resident) can be picked up at One-Stop Student Services in the Bart Luedeke Center during fall move-in, or at the Office of Public Safety.



FUELING CAMPUS WITH

GOOD EATS



Alcohol Policy To comply with New Jersey state law and discourage alcohol abuse, Rider University's alcohol policy prohibits possession and consumption of alcohol by those who are under 21.

Smoke-Free Campus Policy
Smoking is not permitted in any campus building, including the residence halls.

DINING OPTIONS

Food is a big deal for most college students. Whether you're a coffee lover or food truck groupie, Rider has you covered. Directed by **Gourmet Dining Services** – and with the support of our on-campus dietitian – you'll find healthy and delicious options to easily manage any allergies or special food needs. So, come to the table and enjoy!

Daly Dining Hall

Our main dining hall features 10 – yes, 10! – distinctive food stations with something that's sure to tempt you, whether you're a meat lover or vegan. Choose from comfort food like Mom makes to international dishes, pizzas, salads or stir-fry. Daly's is a **nut-free environment** and there's an allergen-sensitive and gluten-friendly menu every day. Special year-round food events keep things interesting, and Daly's **Teaching Kitchen** features celebrity and regional chefs for demonstrations and classes. Daly's is on the main campus green, across from the first-year residence halls.

Cranberry's

Located on the ground level of the Bart Luedeke Center, Cranberry's is the perfect place to stop for a bite between classes. Newly renovated, Cranberry's features an open-concept design with six food stations. Sushi, pizza, tacos, sandwiches, salads, grain bowls and more are featured on the everyday menu. You can use an onsite kiosk to place your order – or go online to Grubhub, then pick up your meal in a secured food locker.

Right beside Cranberry's is Rider's new sports bar with a garage door-style exit to outdoor seating on the Quad patio.

Starbucks®

Starbucks, in the Student Recreation Center, has your favorite teas, lattes, cold brews and Refreshers®, as well as a selection of sandwiches and baked goods.

Sweigart Express

Whether you want to meet a friend before a business class in Sweigart Hall or are just passing through, stop by for some fresh coffee or a snack.

MEAL PLAN OPTIONS

If you commute to campus, you can choose from a variety of "All-You-Care-to-Eat" meal plans to suit your needs.

If you live on campus, you're automatically enrolled in the Carte Blanche meal plan, which includes All-You-Care-to-Eat dining with unlimited access to Daly's.

Guest Passes

Each semester, you'll receive five guest passes to treat friends or family members to breakfast, lunch or dinner at Daly's.

Bronc Bucks

The basic Carte Blanche plan includes \$175 in Bronc Bucks. Just like using a debit card, every time you make a food purchase, the cost of your meal is subtracted from the dollar balance in your account. Bronc Bucks can be used in any of the campus retail dining areas.



As part of our "go green" efforts, bring your own mug to Cranberry's or Starbucks and pay less for your coffee!



They deliver fun, different, on-the-go food. Enjoy Rider's own Bronc Bites and Muscle Maker Grill trucks, plus local food trucks. Watch for one on your way to a class or the residence hall!



Rider's very own locally sourced sweet treat has chunks of chocolate and yummy cranberries.

ABOUT THE FOOD YOU EAT Rider uses locally sourced produce, baked goods and dairy, which support the business of local farms while reducing transportation costs and CO₂ waste. And we no longer use food trays in our dining halls to reduce energy and water usage, as well as cut down on food waste.



◦ TIME FOR ◀

TRADITIONS

AND SHARED EXPERIENCES

DURING YOUR FIRST FEW WEEKS ON CAMPUS, YOU'LL FIND PLENTY OF WAYS TO CONNECT TO RIDER'S COMMUNITY AND CULTURE.

Here are just a few highlights.



MAACNESS On the eve of the NCAA's first official day of practice, Rider's men's and women's basketball teams — part of the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) — are introduced to throngs of cheering student fans. You won't want to miss the food, live entertainment, free giveaways and fun!!

HOMECOMING & FAMILY WEEKEND

This annual November tradition brings your family to campus for a day of entertainment and good times! Students, alumni and their families enjoy such activities as a jazz mixer with our president, tailgate party, and an exhibition game with our Broncs men's basketball team. In honor of our namesake, Rider also announces the Andrew J. Rider Scholars at this event – the highest academic honor awarded to undergraduates.



THE SHARED READ

Every year, all Rider students and the broader Rider community participate in the Shared Read program, reading and discussing a common book. Shared Read choices focus on important social issues in the United States and abroad. For a complete list of current and previous selections, visit rider.edu/sharedread.

CRANBERRY FEST

Cranberry Fest happens every September as a daylong campus party to say "Welcome back!" to our students, faculty and staff. It also celebrates the memory of our founder, Andrew J. Rider, a New Jersey business leader who introduced the cranberry to the Queen of England. Our cranberry roots are also why Rider's school colors are cranberry and white.

RELAY FOR LIFE

This powerful Rider tradition unites the entire campus toward a common cause: raising money and awareness in the fight against cancer. Since 2009, this student-run program – the largest event on campus – has raised more than \$500,000 for the American Cancer Society. The all-night program features students, faculty and staff taking turns walking laps and a host of both fun and thought-provoking activities.



CLUBS & ORGS FAIR

Whether you live on campus or commute, the best way to connect at Rider is to get involved. Here's your chance to meet the people behind Rider's 150+ student clubs and organizations, learn about what they do – and discover the right ones for you! It's all part of Welcome Week.

FALL CONVOCATION

Held at the start of the semester, Convocation is a formal celebration that opens each new academic year at Rider. Attended by all students, Convocation Day includes a full procession with academic regalia and a keynote address by Rider's president, Dr. Greg Dell'Omo.

HOW DID THE BRONC BECOME RIDER'S MASCOT? Back in 1928, Rider's first varsity athletics coach created an athletics logo featuring a historic Rough Rider atop a bucking bronco. Over the decades, the image evolved to today's sleek Bronc – officially dubbed "AJ" in honor of our namesake, Andrew J. Rider.



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Be sure to take advantage of these opportunities to get to know us even better!

Bronc for a Day

Spend a day as a Rider student – attend class, go to lunch, meet faculty and staff, and tour the campus. Offered weekdays through early December, and February through April; prescheduling required.

To register, call 609-896-5042 or visit rider.edu/visitrider.

Transfer Tuesdays

Let us help you map out your next steps as you transfer to Rider. Come to a Transfer Tuesday event for on-the-spot advising about transfer credit, paying your deposit, registering for courses and more.

For upcoming dates or to register, call 609-896-5042 or visit rider.edu/transfer.

Admitted Student Days

Join us on Saturday, March 7 or April 4 to officially celebrate your admission and learn more about all that Rider has to offer.

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