The LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE is designed for students who have demonstrated leadership potential in high school, with the hope that these students will become active members of the URI community. This three-day leadership development program will be held at URI’s beautiful Alton Jones Campus from August 29 – August 31, 2008.

During the LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE, students will develop leadership skills by participating in an outdoor adventure program and by engaging in self-exploration exercises. Students will learn about communication, trust, interpersonal relationships, and personal risk-taking as they participate in a series of games and problem-solving initiatives. In addition, students will work together as they examine issues of multiculturalism, inclusion, civic and community participation. Involvement and leadership opportunities available to URI students will also be presented.

**BASIC INFORMATION about the LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**

- Check-in: Friday, August 29, 12:00-2:00 (if you are living on campus, you will be able to move in—but there will not be enough time to unpack).
- Program ends: Sunday, August 31 at approximately 12 pm, as other URI freshmen are moving into the halls
- All meals, housing, t shirt, and transportation are included in the $125.00 fee.

**How to APPLY for the LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**

Complete the attached application form and write a short essay on why you wish to attend the Leadership Institute.

Ask a teacher, guidance counselor, community leader or employer (someone who believes in and can share information regarding your leadership potential) to write a recommendation letter for you. It doesn’t have to be complicated—one page is sufficient.

Mail the application, essay, and recommendation letters by July 11, 2008 to:
LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE COORDINATOR
URI Memorial Union Room 210
50 Lower College Road
Kingston, RI 02881-1900

You will be notified as to whether or not you are accepted into the program by August 1, 2008. If your application arrives after July 11 or is incomplete as of July 11, you will be put on a waiting list.
If you are accepted, you will need to send the $125.00 fee with your confirmation by August 13. DO NOT SEND THE FEE WITH THE APPLICATION!

If you have Questions contact Robert Vincent rvincent@uri.edu
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APPLICATION: Print Out, Fill Out, and Send In

Name:

Home Address:

Home Phone:

Student ID # (you will get your student ID at Orientation)

Date of Birth:

Please check off:
T-shirt size (S_____ M_____ LG_____ XL_____ XXL______)

Referred by: (orientation leader, admissions, Meet the U, Welcome Day, website, Centennial Scholars, alumni, etc)

Attach a 1 page essay on why you want to attend the Leadership Institute. We want to know who you are, what you are interested in, what you hope to be involved in at the University, etc. This is not a "sales pitch" to us; spots at the Institute will be selected by lottery. So spend your time in your essay being honest and open and descriptive.

Completed applications must include this form, your essay, and a recommendation, and must be received by July 11, 2008 to:
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