

ACADEMIC RHODE MAP

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RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE

GENERAL EDUCATION: A complete listing of General Education courses can be found at the Office of Academic Support (OASIS) 401 456-8083 or online at <http://www.ric.edu/recordsoffice/Pages/College-Catalog.aspx>; look at catalog for year you enrolled. For Gen Ed courses, aside from Second Language requirement, which varies depending on where you are placed, you need ONE course from each category. Second Language 101/102 options are: American Sign, Arabic, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Portuguese, or Spanish. For other ways to satisfy the second language requirement look under the Gen Ed. section of the catalog. Any courses marked (F) offered Fall only; (Sp) Spring; (Su) Summer. All courses marked with an asterisk * have a prerequisite. For info. about Math Placement exam visit: <http://www.ric.edu/orientation/Pages/Math-Placement.aspx>

Academic Major Checklist	Course	Academic Major Checklist	Course
ACCT 201 Principles of Accounting I: Financial*		FIN 301 Managerial Finance and Control*	
CIS 252 Introduction to Information Systems*		FIN 423 Financial Markets and Institutions*	
		FIN 431 Intermediate Finance*	
ECON 214 Principles of Microeconomics*		FIN 432 Theory of Investment *	
ECON 215 Principles of Macroeconomics*		FIN 434 International Financial Management*	
ENGL 230 Writing for the Professional Setting*		FIN 435 Financial Statement Analysis*	
MATH 177 Quantitative Business Analysis I*		FIN 461 Seminar in Finance* or FIN 492 Independent Study II*	
MATH 248 Business Statistics I*		ONE course from: ECON 314 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory/Applications*, ECON 315 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory/Analysis (Sp)*, or ECON 449 Introduction to Econometrics*	
MGT 201 Foundations of Management*			
MKT 201 Introduction to Marketing*		THREE courses from: FIN 436 Fixed Income Analysis*, FIN 441 Financial Derivatives and Risk Management*, FIN 447 Financial Modeling*, FIN 463 Seminar in Portfolio Management* or FIN 491 Independent Study I*	

This map is a semester-by-semester plan to help you toward graduation in four years. Not everyone graduates in four years as it depends on how many courses you can take, and how you do in those courses. This map is not your only route; it is a suggestion. You might take additional courses over the summer (or early spring/winter) to catch up or get ahead if the courses you need are offered at these times. While many courses in your major will have prerequisites that will need you to take them in a special order, there is some flexibility in this map, but always double check you have the correct prerequisites for a course you plan to take.

The column to the left on the other side of this page suggests the ideal courses for you to take each semester. There are times when those courses may be full or unavailable the semester you plan to take them, in which case consider another course from a different semester with which you can switch. The column on the right has "Checkpoints" for each semester that show where you should be by the end of that semester. You should work from this map as you plan each semester's schedule, before checking in with your advisor. The Map is designed primarily for freshmen coming to college for the first time, but transfer students may also use the Rhode Map with the understanding that they have most likely completed several requirements through transfer of credit, and will be starting further into the program. Maps assume a Fall start.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: The following requirements must be completed by undergraduate degree candidates at Rhode Island College in order to graduate:

- General Education program, including a second language requirement and RIC 100 or its equivalent
- College Math Competency (which is separate from the Gen Ed math requirement)
- College Writing Competency (satisfied by FYW with a minimum grade of C)
- Academic Major—see check chart above.
- A minimum of 120 credit hours, with a minimum of 45 credit hours taken at RIC. Of the 45 credit hours, a minimum of 15 credit hours must be in the major (12 of which must be at the 300- or 400-level).
- A minimum overall grade point average of 2.0
- A minimum grade point average of 2.0 in your major

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SEMESTER 1	CR	SEMESTER 1 CHECKPOINTS ✓
First Year Writing (FYW 100) or First Year Seminar (FYS 100)	4	<input type="checkbox"/> FYW 100P is 6 credits. To decide which FYW to take, see Directed Self-Placement test at www.ric.edu/firstyearwriting
RIC 100 Introduction to RIC	1	<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt if taking COLL 101, COLL 150, or HONR 150
Gen Ed Distribution course from one of these GE categories: Arts (A); Social and Behavioral Sciences (SB); History (H); Literature (L), or Natural Sciences (NS).	4	
Gen Ed--Second Lang 101 (based on placement, a course higher than 101/102 may be taken). If language requirement satisfied: another Gen Ed Distribution course.	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Language placement test with Dept. of Modern Languages (optional) <input type="checkbox"/> Complete Second Lang 101 (if needed)
Gen Ed—MATH 177	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisite is Math competency, MATH 120, or placement exam
Requirements and GPA		<input type="checkbox"/> Aim for 16 earned credits (While 12 is fulltime, 16 credits are preferred to stay on track to graduate in 4 years) <input type="checkbox"/> Math competency completed <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum 2.0 GPA
# CREDITS EARNED	17	<input type="checkbox"/> Make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester in Sept.

SEMESTER 2	CR	SEMESTER 2 CHECKPOINTS ✓
FYW 100 or FYS 100	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete FYS and FYW, for FYW, grade C or better
ECON 214 Microeconomics* or ECON 215 Macroeconomics*	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisite is Math competency completed
Gen Ed--Second Lang 102* (if needed), or another Gen Ed Distribution course in a needed category.	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete Second Lang 102*, grade C or better (if needed)
Gen Ed Distribution course from one of these GE categories: Arts (A); Social and Behavioral Sciences (SB); History (H); Literature (L), or Natural Sciences (NS), or elective/minor	3-4	
Requirements and GPA		<input type="checkbox"/> Need a minimum of 30 earned credits <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum 2.0 GPA
# CREDITS EARNED	14-15	<input type="checkbox"/> Make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester in Feb.

SEMESTER 3	CR	SEMESTER 3 CHECKPOINTS ✓
CIS 252 Introduction to Information Systems	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisite 30 completed credits
ECON 214 Microeconomics* or ECON 215 Macroeconomics*	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisite is Math competency completed
ENGL 230 Writing for Professional Settings*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisite FYW or College Writing Requirement
ACCT 201 Principles of Accounting 1: Financial*	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Completion of 30 college credits
Gen Ed Distribution course from one of these GE categories: Arts (A); Social and Behavioral Sciences (SB); History (H); Literature (L), or Natural Sciences (NS).	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete Natural Sciences Gen Ed
Requirements and GPA		<input type="checkbox"/> Need minimum of 45 earned credits, <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of 2.0 GPA
# CREDITS EARNED	18	<input type="checkbox"/> Make appointment with advisor in Sept. to discuss your schedule for next semester, and discuss possible minor



SEMESTER 4	CR	SEMESTER 4 CHECKPOINTS ✓
MATH 248 Business Statistics I*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisite is MATH 177 <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfies Advanced Quantitative/Scientific Reasoning (Gen Ed-AQSR)*
Gen Ed Distribution course from one of these GE categories: Arts (A); Social and Behavioral Sciences (SB); History (H); Literature (L), or Natural Sciences (NS).	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Choose a category you have not previously taken
MKT 201 Introduction to Marketing*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Completion of at least 45 college credits
FIN 301 Financial Management *	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prereqs are ACCT 201 and MATH 177
Requirements and GPA		<input type="checkbox"/> Need minimum of 60 earned credits <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of 2.0 GPA <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum GPA of 2.0 in major
# CREDITS EARNED	16	<input type="checkbox"/> Make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester in Feb

SEMESTER 5	CR	SEMESTER 5 CHECKPOINTS ✓
ONE from: ECON 314*, ECON 315*, ECON 449*,	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Varied prerequisites--check catalog
Gen Ed Distribution course from one of these GE categories: Arts (A); Social and Behavioral Sciences (SB); History (H); Literature (L), or Natural Sciences (NS).	4	
FIN 432 Investments*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prereqs are FIN 301 and MATH 248
Elective	3-4	
Requirements and GPA		<input type="checkbox"/> Aim for minimum of 75 earned credits <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of 2.0 GPA <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum GPA of 2.0 in major
# CREDITS EARNED	15-16	<input type="checkbox"/> Make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester in Sept.

SEMESTER 6	CR	SEMESTER 6 CHECKPOINTS ✓
Choose Connections course (GE-C)*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prereqs are 45 completed credits and FYW and FYS.
FIN 423 Financial Markets and Institutions*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prereq is FIN 301
MGT 201 Foundations of Management*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Completion of at least 45 college credits
ONE from: FIN 436*, FIN 441*, FIN 447*, FIN 463* or FIN 491*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Varied prerequisites--check catalog
Requirements and GPA		<input type="checkbox"/> Aim for minimum of 90 earned credits <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of 2.0 GPA <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum GPA of 2.0 in major <input type="checkbox"/> Apply for degree audit online through MyRIC
# CREDITS EARNED	16	<input type="checkbox"/> Make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester in Feb.

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SEMESTER 7	CR	SEMESTER 7 CHECKPOINTS ✓
FIN 431 Advanced Corporate Finance*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prereqs are FIN 301, ECON 241, and MATH 248
ONE from: FIN 436*, FIN 441*, FIN 447*, FIN 463* and FIN 491*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Varied prerequisites--check catalog
FIN 435 Financial Statement Analysis*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prereq is FIN 301
Elective or course for minor	3-4	
Requirements and GPA		<input type="checkbox"/> All ten GE courses and second lang. req. completed <input type="checkbox"/> Aim for minimum of 105 earned credits <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of 2.0 GPA <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum GPA of 2.0 in major
# CREDITS EARNED	15-16	<input type="checkbox"/> Make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester in Sept.

SEMESTER 8	CR	SEMESTER 8 CHECKPOINTS ✓
ONE from: FIN 436*, FIN 441*, FIN 447*, FIN 463* and FIN 491*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Varied prerequisites--check catalog
FIN 461 Seminar in Finance* or FIN 492 Independent Study II*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prereqs are FIN 431, FIN 432, and MATH 248
FIN 434 International Financial Management*	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Prereqs are FIN 301, ECON 215, and MATH 248
Elective or course for minor	3-4	
Requirements and GPA		<input type="checkbox"/> Need minimum of 120 earned credits <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of 2.0 GPA <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum GPA of 2.0 in major
# CREDITS EARNED	15-16	Attend Gradfest and Commencement

For more information, check the Economics/Finance Department website:

<http://www.ric.edu/economicsFinance/Pages/default.aspx>

NOTE: The total credit count for the Finance major is 77 credits, although 8 of those may be offset against Gen Ed. courses (AQSR, M), which leaves 32 more credits of Gen Ed. and possibly 9 more depending on secondary language needs and RIC 100. The minimum credit count will be 109 credits (without secondary language or RIC 100), which would leave 11 elective credits.