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## 2012-13 Bachelor's Programs for Maine Residents

The bachelor's degree programs approved under the RSP Tuition Break for Maine residents are listed below. Each program is offered only by the college(s) indicated. Some programs have special requirements and/or restrictions and may not be available to freshman students: *Read the footnotes.*

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| Acting (BFA)* <sup>1</sup><br><i>University of Connecticut</i>  | Chemical Dependency/Addiction Studies<br><i>Rhode Island College</i>  | Ecogastronomy <sup>5</sup><br><i>University of New Hampshire</i>   |
| Actuarial Science<br><i>University of Connecticut</i>   | Chinese<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>   | Electromechanical Engineering Technology<br><i>Vermont Technical College</i>   |
| Africana/Afro-American Studies<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Boston</i><br><i>Rhode Island College</i><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i> | Classics/Classical Studies<br><i>University of Connecticut</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Boston</i><br><i>University of New Hampshire</i><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>  | Electronic Imaging (Visual Design (BFA))<br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i>                               |
| Agriculture Education <sup>2</sup><br><i>University of Connecticut</i>  | Cognitive Science<br><i>University of Connecticut</i>   | Electronic Journalism Arts<br><i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>  |
| Animation (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>   | Communication (Media)<br><i>Worcester State University, MA</i><br><i>Johnson State College, VT</i> <sup>+</sup>   | Emergency Management<br><i>Massachusetts Maritime Academy</i>  |
| Animation and Illustration (BFA)<br><i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>   | Communication Design (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>  | Environmental Design<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>   |
| Aquaculture and Fisheries Technology<br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>   | Communications/Media<br><i>Central Connecticut State University</i><br><i>Eastern Connecticut State University</i><br><i>Western Connecticut State University</i><br><i>Framingham State University, MA</i> <sup>*</sup><br><i>Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts</i><br><i>Salem State University, MA</i> | Environmental Design (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>   |
| Architectural Design (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>  | Communications/Media*<br><i>Fitchburg State University, MA</i>  | Environmental Engineering<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i>  |
| Architectural Engineering Technology<br><i>Vermont Technical College</i>  | Community Education (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>   | Environmental Health<br><i>University of Massachusetts Lowell</i>  |
| Art Education (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>   | Comparative Literature<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>  | European Cultural Studies<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i>  |
| Artisanry (BFA)<br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i>   | Computer Engineering Technology<br><i>Vermont Technical College</i>   | Fashion Design (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>   |
| Asian Studies<br><i>University of Massachusetts Boston</i>  | Computer Information Systems/Meteorology<br><i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>   | Fashion Design and Retailing*<br><i>Framingham State University, MA</i>  |
| Astronomy<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>   | Dairy Management<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i>  | Fibers (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i>         |
| Atmospheric Sciences (Meteorology)*<br><i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>  | Dance <sup>3</sup><br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i><br><i>Rhode Island College</i>   | Film/Video (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>   |
| Aviation Science<br><i>Bridgewater State University, MA</i>   | Diagnostic Genetic Sciences <sup>4</sup><br><i>University of Connecticut</i>  | Fine Arts Three-Dimensional (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>                                    |
| Biomedical Engineering<br><i>University of Connecticut</i><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>   | Dietetics <sup>4</sup><br><i>University of Connecticut</i>  | Fire and Emergency Services Management <sup>+</sup><br><i>Vermont Technical College</i>                                |
| Building and Construction Technology<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>  | Diversified Agriculture<br><i>Vermont Technical College</i>   | Gerontology <sup>+</sup><br><i>University of Massachusetts Boston</i>  |
| Business Technology and Management<br><i>Vermont Technical College</i>  |   | Glass (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>  |
| Cartography and Geographic Information Systems<br><i>Salem State University, MA</i>   |   | Graphic Design (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i> |
| Ceramics (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i>  |   | Graphic Design/Information Design<br><i>Central Connecticut State University</i><br><i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>    |

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| Greek<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i><br><i>University of Vermont</i>   | Japanese<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>   | Maritime Studies<br><i>University of Connecticut</i>   |
| Health Care Management* <sup>4</sup><br><i>University of Connecticut</i>  | Jewelry and Metalsmithing (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i>              | Material Science Engineering<br><i>University of Connecticut</i>   |
| Health Management and Policy<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i><br><i>Rhode Island College</i> <sup>+</sup>  | Judaic Studies<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>   | Media (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>  |
| History and Archaeology<br><i>University of Massachusetts Boston</i>  | Justice Studies<br><i>Rhode Island College</i>   | Media Studies<br><i>Southern Connecticut State University</i>  |
| Holocaust and Genocide Studies<br><i>Keene State College, NH</i>  | Justice Studies <sup>7</sup><br><i>University of New Hampshire</i>   | Meteorology<br><i>Western Connecticut State University</i>   |
| Hospitality and Tourism Management<br><i>Johnson State College, VT</i>  | Labor Relations and Human Resource<br>Management<br><i>Eastern Connecticut State University</i>  | Meteorology (Atmospheric Science)<br><i>University of Massachusetts Lowell</i>   |
| Hospitality Management<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i>  | Labor Studies <sup>+</sup><br><i>University of Massachusetts Boston</i>  | Meteorology (Forecasting)<br><i>Plymouth State University, NH</i>  |
| Humanities<br><i>Plymouth State University, NH</i><br><i>University of New Hampshire-Manchester</i>   | Landscape Architecture*<br><i>University of Connecticut</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i> | Middle Eastern Studies<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>   |
| Illustration (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i>  | Latin <sup>+</sup><br><i>University of New Hampshire</i><br><i>University of Vermont</i>   | Mountain Recreation Management<br><i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>  |
| Industrial Design (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>   | Latin American Studies<br><i>University of Connecticut</i><br><i>Rhode Island College</i>  | Museum Education (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>   |
| Industrial Engineering & Operations Research <sup>6</sup><br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>  | Legal Studies <sup>6</sup><br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>   | Music Business<br><i>University of Massachusetts Lowell</i>  |
| Information Technology<br><i>University of Massachusetts Boston</i><br><i>University of New Hampshire</i><br><i>Vermont Technical College</i>   | Management and Engineering for Manufacturing<br><i>University of Connecticut</i>   | Music Business and Industry<br><i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>   |
| Italian<br><i>Central Connecticut State University</i><br><i>Southern Connecticut State University</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i> | Marine Affairs*<br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>   | Neuroscience and Behavior<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i>  |
| Italian Literary and Cultural Studies<br><i>University of Connecticut</i>   | Marine Safety and Environmental Protection<br><i>Massachusetts Maritime Academy</i>  | Nuclear Engineering<br><i>University of Massachusetts Lowell</i>   |
|   | Marine Sciences<br><i>University of Connecticut</i>  | Occupational Therapy <sup>8</sup><br><i>Worcester State University, MA</i><br><i>University of New Hampshire (srs. only)</i> |
|   |  | Ocean Engineering<br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>   |
|   |  | Outdoor Education<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i><br><i>Johnson State College, VT</i>                                  |

### Footnotes to Bachelor's Programs

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| + Newly approved program.  | 6 UMass Amherst: RSP eligibility only at sophomore, junior, and senior levels.  | 9 Prepares graduates to work in the pharmaceutical, health care, and consumer products industries.   |
| * Admission highly competitive.  | 7 Offered only as a dual major to students who have declared a first major, completed at least one semester and earned a minimum 2.5 GPA. | 10 RSP eligibility starts junior year.   |
| 1 Audition required.   | 8 UNH: RSP eligibility is effective only for the senior year; Worcester State: Entry-level master's degree program.                       | 11 Audition required.  |
| 2 Integrated bachelor's/master's; RSP eligibility starts junior year.  |   | 12 Interview required.   |
| 3 UMass Amherst: Audition required.  |   | 13 RSP eligibility starts no sooner than sophomore year, after student has met requirements for acceptance into URI's College of Human Science and Services. |
| 4 RSP eligibility only at junior and senior levels.  |   |  |
| 5 Offered only as a dual major; RSP eligibility starts no sooner than the sophomore year, after student has declared a primary major and met certain requirements. |   |  |

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| Painting (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>  | Radiological Health Physics<br><i>University of Massachusetts Lowell</i>  | Sustainable Design and Technology<br><i>Vermont Technical College</i>   |
| Pathobiology<br><i>University of Connecticut</i>  | Real Estate and Urban Economic Studies <sup>4</sup><br><i>University of Connecticut</i>                           | Sustainable Product Design and Innovation<br><i>Keene State College, NH</i>   |
| Pharmaceutical Sciences <sup>9</sup><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>   | Regional Planning<br><i>Westfield State University, MA</i>  | Technical Theatre (BFA) <sup>12</sup><br><i>University of Connecticut</i>   |
| Pharmacy (Six-year/PharmD)* <sup>10</sup><br><i>University of Connecticut</i><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>  | Russian<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i><br><i>University of Vermont</i>                                     | Technology Education<br><i>Central Connecticut State University</i><br><i>Fitchburg State University, MA</i><br><i>Rhode Island College</i> |
| Philosophy and Public Policy <sup>+</sup><br><i>University of Massachusetts Boston</i>                              | Russian and East European Studies<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>                                   | Textile Marketing* <sup>13</sup><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>   |
| Photography (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i> | Sculpture (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i> | Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design <sup>13</sup><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>   |
| Physiology and Neurobiology<br><i>University of Connecticut</i>   | Sign Language Interpretation<br><i>University of New Hampshire-Manchester</i>                                     | Tourism, Planning and Development<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i>   |
| Plastics Engineering<br><i>University of Massachusetts Lowell</i>   | Social Thought and Political Economy<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>                                | Turf Grass and Soil Science<br><i>University of Connecticut</i>   |
| Portuguese<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i><br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i>            | Sociology/Applied Social Relations<br><i>Eastern Connecticut State University</i>                                 | Urban Studies<br><i>Worcester State University, MA</i>  |
| Public Health Sciences<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>  | Sound Recording Technology <sup>11</sup><br><i>University of Massachusetts Lowell</i>                             | Visual Design (BFA)<br><i>University of Massachusetts Dartmouth</i>   |
| Public Management <sup>+</sup><br><i>Plymouth State University, NH</i>  | Spanish for Business<br><i>Castleton State College, VT</i>  | Wellness and Alternative Medicine<br><i>Johnson State College, VT</i>   |
| Puppetry (BFA) <sup>11</sup><br><i>University of Connecticut</i>  | Studio for Interrelated Media (BFA)<br><i>Massachusetts College of Art and Design</i>                             | Writing and Rhetoric<br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>   |
| Radiologic Technology*<br><i>Rhode Island College</i>   | Supply Chain Management <sup>10</sup><br><i>University of Rhode Island</i>  |   |

## 2012-13 Associate Programs for Maine Residents

Examples of associate degree programs approved under the RSP Tuition Break for Maine residents are listed below. Visit [www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak](http://www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak) – “Find a Program” for a complete list. In addition, some colleges extend eligibility under the RSP Tuition Break’s Proximity policy: Check “Eligibility/FAQs” at [www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak](http://www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak).

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| Animation and Graphic Game Programming<br><i>Bristol Community College, MA</i><br><i>NHTI, Concord’s Community College, NH</i> | Community Leadership<br><i>University of New Hampshire</i>  | Landscape Design and Sustainable Horticulture<br><i>Vermont Technical College</i>   |
| Animal Science<br><i>University of Connecticut</i><br><i>University of New Hampshire</i>                                       | Electronic Journalism Arts<br><i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>   | Laser and Fiber Optic Technology<br><i>Three Rivers Community College, CT</i><br><i>Springfield Technical Community College, MA</i> |
| Automation and Robotics<br><i>Springfield Technical Community College, MA</i>  | Emergency Management<br><i>Community College of Rhode Island</i>  | Medical Imaging<br><i>Bunker Hill Community College, MA</i>   |
| Automotive Computer Technology<br><i>Vermont Technical College</i>   | Energy Services and Technology<br><i>Mt. Wachusett Community College, MA</i><br><i>Lakes Region Community College, NH</i> | Railroad Engineering Technology<br><i>Gateway Community College, CT</i>   |
| Automotive Technology-Honda<br><i>Nashua Community College, NH</i>   | Equine Industries<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>   | Surveying Technology<br><i>White Mountains Community College, NH</i><br><i>Community College of Rhode Island</i>                    |
| Bioinformatics<br><i>Massachusetts Bay Community College</i>   | Horticulture<br><i>University of Massachusetts Amherst</i>  | Teleproduction and Multimedia Technology<br><i>Springfield Technical Community College, MA</i>                                      |

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Is the Regional Student Program (RSP) Tuition Break for New England only?

Yes. The program is only for permanent residents of the six New England states—Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont—who attend out-of-state public colleges and universities in New England.

### How does a student qualify for the RSP?

As a permanent resident of a New England state, a student is eligible for the RSP when enrolled in an approved degree program offered by a specific public college or university in another New England state. Information on approved majors (associate, bachelor's and graduate) is available under "Find a Program" at [www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak](http://www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak). Note: The approved bachelor's degree programs are also listed in this brochure.

At certain colleges, students may also qualify when the out-of-state college is closer to home than the in-state college(s) offering the same program. The colleges allowing "proximity" eligibility are listed at [www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak](http://www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak) under "Eligibility."

### How does a student apply for the RSP?

A student completes the college's application for admission and declares an approved major offered through the RSP by that college. Some college applications include a box to check for "New England Regional" or "RSP." Otherwise, a student should indicate "Applying for Regional Student Program (RSP) status." NEBHE does not require a separate application.

The college notifies a student of RSP status usually at the time of acceptance to the college. Note: Some programs have special requirements and/or are not available to freshman students (see footnotes to programs).

### How much of a discount is the RSP?

The average annual tuition savings per full-time RSP student is currently \$7,000. The RSP allows an eligible student to pay a regional rate, which is significantly less than out-of-state tuition. The rate is based on a percentage (up to 175 percent) of a college's in-state rate. Current tuition rates are posted at [www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak](http://www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak) under "Data and Reports."

Example:

|                                    |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| In-State Tuition .....             | \$6,000         |
| Out-of-State Tuition .....         | \$18,000        |
| <b>Regional (RSP) Tuition.....</b> | <b>\$10,500</b> |
| Tuition Discount .....             | \$7,500         |

### Can a student already enrolled at a college declare an RSP major at that college?

Usually. An enrolled student needs to contact the registrar and/or the college's RSP campus representative, listed in the RSP catalogs, available at [www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak](http://www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak).

### How are degree programs approved for RSP status?

Undergraduate and graduate majors are approved for RSP status on an annual basis. The residents of a particular state become eligible for an RSP major after a review by that state's public colleges and universities determines that a comparable major or concentration is not offered in-state.

### Why are certain programs, which aren't offered in a student's home state, not offered under the RSP?

Sometimes a college or university decides not to offer certain majors, such as high-demand programs, under the RSP. Also, a few programs are not offered by any New England public college or university (Examples: Aerospace Engineering, Physician Assistant, Professional Golf Management).

### What happens if a student changes from an approved RSP major to one not approved?

A student will be charged the full out-of-state tuition rate from that point forward.

### What happens if a college decides to discontinue offering a major through the RSP?

If a college withdraws a major from the RSP, but still offers the major, students currently enrolled through the RSP are grandfathered.

### Can the RSP be used to attend a private college or a college outside New England?

No. The RSP is only available at New England public colleges and universities.

### Is an RSP-eligible student eligible to apply for financial aid?

Yes. A student should complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) available at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) and any other financial aid applications required by the college(s) in order to be considered for any type of financial aid (scholarships, grants, loans and/or work-study). For general financial aid information, visit [www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov) and [www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org).

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## Colleges and Universities Participating in NEBHE's Tuition Break

New England's public colleges and universities offer more than 700 undergraduate and graduate degree programs through the New England Board of Higher Education's Regional Student Program (RSP) Tuition Break and provide a significant discount on their regular out-of-state tuition rate to eligible students. Residents of one New England state are eligible when they attend certain public colleges in the other five New England states and pursue majors not offered by public colleges in their home state.

Visit [www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak](http://www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak) for program lists, tuition rates, and contact information for each institution.

### Connecticut

#### Connecticut Community Colleges

Asnuntuck Community College  
Capital Community College  
Gateway Community College  
Housatonic Community College  
Manchester Community College  
Middlesex Community College  
Naugatuck Valley Community College  
Northwestern Connecticut Community College  
Norwalk Community College  
Quinebaug Valley Community College  
Three Rivers Community College  
Tunxis Community College

#### Connecticut State University System

Central Connecticut State University  
Eastern Connecticut State University  
Southern Connecticut State University  
Western Connecticut State University

#### University of Connecticut

University of Connecticut  
UConn School of Dental Medicine  
UConn School of Law  
UConn School of Medicine

### Maine

#### Maine Community College System

Central Maine Community College  
Eastern Maine Community College  
Kennebec Valley Community College  
Northern Maine Community College  
Southern Maine Community College  
Washington County Community College  
York County Community College

#### Maine Maritime Academy

#### University of Maine System

University of Maine  
University of Maine at Augusta  
University of Maine Farmington  
University of Maine at Fort Kent  
University of Maine at Machias  
University of Maine at Presque Isle  
University of Southern Maine  
UMaine School of Law

### Massachusetts

#### Massachusetts Community Colleges

Berkshire Community College  
Bristol Community College  
Bunker Hill Community College  
Cape Cod Community College  
Greenfield Community College  
Holyoke Community College  
Massachusetts Bay Community College  
Massasoit Community College  
Middlesex Community College  
Mount Wachusett Community College  
North Shore Community College  
Northern Essex Community College  
Quinsigamond Community College  
Roxbury Community College  
Springfield Technical Community College

#### Massachusetts State University System

Bridgewater State University  
Fitchburg State University  
Framingham State University  
Massachusetts College of Art and Design  
Massachusetts Maritime Academy  
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts  
Salem State University  
Westfield State University  
Worcester State University

#### University of Massachusetts

University of Massachusetts Amherst  
University of Massachusetts Boston  
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth  
University of Massachusetts Lowell  
UMass School of Law – Dartmouth  
UMass Worcester School of Nursing

### New Hampshire

#### Community College System of New Hampshire

Great Bay Community College  
Lakes Region Community College  
Manchester Community College  
Nashua Community College  
NHTI, Concord's Community College  
River Valley Community College  
White Mountains Community College

#### University System of New Hampshire

Keene State College  
Plymouth State University  
University of New Hampshire  
University of New Hampshire-Manchester

### Rhode Island

Community College of Rhode Island  
Rhode Island College  
University of Rhode Island

### Vermont

#### Vermont State Colleges

Castleton State College  
Community College of Vermont  
Johnson State College  
Lyndon State College  
Vermont Technical College

#### University of Vermont