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new england board of higher education's

tuition break

for **massachusetts** residents



Hundreds of degree programs, not offered by Massachusetts' public colleges, are offered by public colleges in the five other New England states through the New England Regional Student Program.

Find your program at www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak.

The bachelor's degree programs approved through the New England Regional Student Program (RSP) for Massachusetts 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.*

Acting (BFA)* ¹ <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Dairy Management <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Holocaust and Genocide Studies <i>Keene State College</i>
Actuarial Science <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Dental Hygiene <i>University of Maine at Augusta</i> <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	Human Development and Family Studies ⁺ <i>University of Connecticut</i>
Agriculture Education ² <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Diagnostic Genetic Sciences ³ <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Humanities <i>Plymouth State University, NH</i> <i>University of New Hampshire-Manchester</i> <i>University of Southern Maine⁺</i>
Allied Health ⁺ <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Diversified Agriculture <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	Industrial Systems Engineering Technology <i>Central Connecticut State University</i>
Applied Science <i>University of Maine at Augusta</i>	Early Childhood Special Education <i>University of Maine at Farmington</i>	Information and Library Services ⁵ <i>University of Maine at Augusta</i>
Aquaculture and Fisheries Technology <i>University of Rhode Island</i>	Ecogastronomy ⁴ <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Justice Studies ⁶ <i>University of New Hampshire</i>
Atmospheric Sciences (Meteorology)* <i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>	Electromechanical Engineering Technology <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	Library Science and Instructional Technology <i>Southern Connecticut State University</i>
Bioengineering (Biological) <i>University of Maine</i>	Electronic Commerce <i>University of Maine at Fort Kent</i>	Linguistics: American Sign Language ⁺ <i>University of Southern Maine</i>
Biomedical Engineering <i>University of Connecticut</i> <i>University of Rhode Island</i>	Electronic Journalism Arts <i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>	Management and Engineering for Manufacturing <i>University of Connecticut</i>
Book Arts <i>University of Maine at Machias</i>	Environmental Earth Science <i>Eastern Connecticut State University</i>	Marine Affairs* <i>University of Rhode Island</i>
Botany/Plant Biology <i>University of Maine</i> <i>University of New Hampshire</i> <i>University of Vermont</i>	Environmental Engineering <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Marine Science <i>Maine Maritime Academy</i>
Canadian Studies <i>University of Vermont</i>	European Cultural Studies <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Marine Science <i>University of Maine</i>
Chemical Dependency/Addiction Studies <i>Rhode Island College</i>	Film Studies <i>Rhode Island College</i>	Marine Sciences (Coastal Studies) <i>University of Connecticut</i>
Civil Engineering Technology <i>Central Connecticut State University</i>	Fire and Emergency Services Management <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	Maritime Studies <i>University of Connecticut</i>
Cognitive Science <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Forest Operations Science <i>University of Maine</i>	Material Science Engineering <i>University of Connecticut</i>
Community and Environmental Planning <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Forestry <i>University of Maine</i> <i>University of New Hampshire</i> <i>University of Vermont</i>	Mechanical Engineering Technology <i>Central Connecticut State University</i> <i>University of Maine</i>
Construction Management Technology <i>Central Connecticut State University</i> <i>University of Maine</i> <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	Genetics <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Mechanical Engineering Technology ⁷ <i>University of New Hampshire-Manchester</i>
Creative Writing (BFA) <i>Johnson State College, VT</i> <i>University of Maine at Farmington</i>	Health Care Management* ³ <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Medical Imaging* <i>Rhode Island College</i>
	Health Management and Policy <i>Rhode Island College</i> <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Meteorology (Forecasting) <i>Plymouth State University, NH</i>

Mountain Recreation Management <i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>	Pulp and Paper Technology ¹⁰ <i>University of Maine</i>	Surveying Engineering Technology <i>University of Maine</i>
Music Business and Industry <i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>	Puppetry (BFA) ¹ <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Sustainability Studies (BS) <i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>
Musical Theater <i>Johnson State College, VT</i> <i>University of Southern Maine</i>	Real Estate and Urban Economic Studies ³ <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Sustainable Agriculture <i>University of Maine</i>
Networking Technology <i>Central Connecticut State University</i>	Recreation and Leisure Studies ¹¹ <i>Southern Connecticut State University</i> <i>University of Maine at Presque Isle</i>	Sustainable Design and Technology <i>Vermont Technical College</i>
Ocean Engineering <i>University of Rhode Island</i>	Rehabilitation Services <i>University of Maine at Farmington</i>	Sustainable Product Design and Innovation <i>Keene State College, NH</i>
Outdoor Education <i>Johnson State College, VT</i> <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Rural Safety Administration <i>University of Maine at Fort Kent</i>	Textile Marketing* ¹² <i>University of Rhode Island</i>
Parks, Recreation and Tourism <i>University of Maine</i> <i>University of Maine at Machias</i>	Russian <i>University of New Hampshire</i> <i>University of Vermont</i>	Therapeutic Recreation <i>University of New Hampshire</i> <i>University of Southern Maine</i>
Pathobiology <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Sign Language Interpretation <i>University of New Hampshire-Manchester</i>	Tourism, Planning and Development <i>University of New Hampshire</i>
Pharmaceutical Sciences ⁸ <i>University of Rhode Island</i>	Small Vessel Operations <i>Maine Maritime Academy</i>	Wellness and Alternative Medicine <i>Johnson State College, VT</i>
Pharmacy (Six-year/PharmD)* ⁹ <i>University of Connecticut</i> <i>University of Rhode Island</i>	Sociology/Applied Social Relations <i>Eastern Connecticut State University</i>	Zoology <i>University of Maine</i> <i>University of New Hampshire</i>
Physiology and Neurobiology <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Software Engineering <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	
Public Management <i>Plymouth State University, NH</i> <i>Rhode Island College⁺</i>	Statistics <i>University of Connecticut</i>	
	Structural Biology and Biophysics <i>University of Connecticut</i>	
	Supply Chain Management ⁹ <i>University of Rhode Island</i>	

Footnotes to Bachelor's Programs

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| + Newly approved program. | 6 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. | 11 Southern Connecticut State University: Options in Therapeutic Recreation, Community and Youth Development, Sports Management, and Travel and Tourism Management.
UMaine Presque Isle: Options in Outdoor Recreation/Leadership and Community Recreation. |
| * Admission highly competitive. | 7 Open only to students with AS degree in field. | 12 RSP eligibility starts no sooner than sophomore year, after student has met requirements for acceptance into URI's College of Human Science and Services. |
| 1 Audition required. | 8 Prepares graduates to work in the pharmaceutical, health care, and consumer products industries. | |
| 2 Integrated bachelor's/master's; RSP eligibility starts junior year. | 9 RSP eligibility starts junior year. | |
| 3 RSP eligibility only at junior and senior levels. | 10 Fifth year certificate program also available. | |
| 4 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. | | |
| 5 Instruction is delivered via distance education. | | |

2013-14 Graduate Programs for Massachusetts Residents

Examples of graduate programs approved through the New England Regional Student Program (RSP) are listed below. View complete list at www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak under “Find a Program.”

Adult Education/Learning <i>University of Connecticut</i> <i>University of Southern Maine</i>	Development Policy and Practice <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Historic Preservation <i>University of Vermont</i>
Biomedical Engineering <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Environmental Education <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Library and Information Studies <i>University of Rhode Island</i>
Business Analytics and Project Management <i>University of Connecticut</i>	Food Systems <i>University of Vermont</i>	Marine Affairs <i>University of Rhode Island</i>
Dental Medicine <i>UConn School of Dental Medicine</i>	Global Policy <i>University of Maine</i>	Spatial Information Science <i>University of Maine</i>

2013-14 Associate Programs for Massachusetts Residents

Examples of associate degree programs approved through the New England Regional Student Program (RSP) are listed below. View complete list at www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak under “Find a Program.” Some colleges also allow students to be eligible under “proximity.” Refer to list of colleges on last page of this brochure and “Eligibility/FAQs” at www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak.

Agribusiness Management <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	Food Service Management <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Plastics Technology <i>Naugatuck Valley Community College, CT</i> <i>Quinebaug Valley Community College, CT</i>
Applied Animal Science <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Forest Technology <i>University of Maine at Fort Kent</i> <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Plumbing and Heating <i>Northern Maine Community College</i> <i>Southern Maine Community College</i>
Architectural Engineering Technology <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	Heavy Equipment Operation <i>Washington County Community College, ME</i>	Precision Metals Manufacturing <i>Northern Maine Community College</i>
Automotive Computer Technology <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	Histotechnician <i>Community College of Rhode Island</i>	Radiation Therapy Technology <i>Gateway Community College, CT</i> <i>NHTI, Concord's Community College, NH</i>
Automotive Technology-Honda <i>Nashua Community College, NH</i>	Industrial Electricity <i>Lakes Region Community College, NH</i>	Railroad Engineering Technology <i>Gateway Community College, CT</i>
Cardiovascular Technology <i>Southern Maine Community College</i>	Information and Library Services <i>University of Maine at Augusta</i>	Recreation Management <i>University of Maine at Machias</i>
Composite Technology <i>Southern Maine Community College</i>	Interpreter for the Deaf <i>Northwestern Connecticut Community College</i>	Small Vessel Operations <i>Maine Maritime Academy</i>
Community Leadership <i>University of New Hampshire</i>	Jazz Studies <i>Community College of Rhode Island</i> <i>University of Maine at Augusta</i>	Spatial Information Technology <i>White Mountains Community College, NH</i>
Computer Integrated Machining <i>Eastern Maine Community College</i>	Landscape Design and Sustainable Horticulture <i>Naugatuck Valley Community College, CT</i> <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	Surveying Technology <i>Community College of Rhode Island</i> <i>White Mountains Community College, NH</i>
Construction Practice and Management <i>Northern Maine Community College</i> <i>Vermont Technical College</i>	Marine Biology and Oceanography <i>Southern Maine Community College</i>	Technical Theater <i>Community College of Rhode Island</i> <i>Johnson State College, VT</i>
Electrical Power Technology <i>Lakes Region Community College, NH</i>	Marine Technology <i>Lakes Region Community College, NH</i>	Welding Technology <i>Eastern Maine Community College</i> <i>Manchester Community College, NH</i>
Electronic Journalism Arts <i>Lyndon State College, VT</i>	Nuclear Engineering Technology <i>Three Rivers Community College, CT</i>	Wind Power Technology <i>Northern Maine Community College</i>
Emergency Management <i>Community College of Rhode Island</i>	Opticianry <i>Community College of Rhode Island</i> <i>Middlesex Community College, CT</i>	
Fire Administration and Technology <i>Gateway Community College, CT</i> <i>Southern Maine Community College</i> <i>Three Rivers Community College, CT</i>		

Frequently Asked Questions

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

Yes. The program, aka the Tuition Break, 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. 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 under "Eligibility" and are flagged on the last page of this brochure.

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 New England 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 under "Data and Reports."

Example:

In-State Tuition	\$6,000
Out-of-State Tuition	\$18,000
Regional (RSP) Tuition.....	\$10,500
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.

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, eligible 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 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 and www.finaid.org.

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New England Regional Student Program (RSP) Participating Colleges and Universities

New England's public colleges and universities offer more than 700 associate, bachelor's and graduate degree programs through the RSP, the New England Board of Higher Education's Tuition Break program. Residents of the six New England states are eligible for a lower, regional tuition rate when they pursue approved majors, which are listed in the catalogs and state brochures. Certain colleges allow additional eligibility under "Proximity" (see [P] below); and some community colleges allow eligibility for most or all of their programs (see [O] below). Get eligibility details at www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak.

Connecticut

Connecticut Community Colleges

Asnuntuck Community College [P]
Capital Community College [P]
Gateway Community College
Housatonic Community College [P/O]
Manchester Community College [P/O]
Middlesex Community College [P/O]
Naugatuck Valley Community College
Northwestern Conn. Community College [P/O]
Norwalk Community College [P]
Quinebaug Valley Community College [P]
Three Rivers Community College [P]
Tunxis Community College

Connecticut State University System

Central Connecticut State University
Eastern Connecticut State University [P]
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 [P]
Eastern Maine Community College
Kennebec Valley Community College
Northern Maine Community College [P/O]
Southern Maine Community College
Washington County Community College [P/O]
York County Community College [P/O]

Maine Maritime Academy

University of Maine System

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

Massachusetts

Massachusetts Community Colleges

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

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 [P]
Salem State University [P]
Westfield State University [P]
Worcester State University [P]

University of Massachusetts

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

New Hampshire

Community College System of New Hampshire

Great Bay Community College [P]
Lakes Region Community College [P/O]
Manchester Community College [P/O]
Nashua Community College [P/O]
NHTI, Concord's Community College [P]
River Valley Community College [P/O]
White Mountains Community College [P]

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 [P]
Rhode Island College [P]
University of Rhode Island

Vermont

Vermont State Colleges

Castleton State College
Community College of Vermont [P]
Johnson State College
Lyndon State College [P]
Vermont Technical College [P]

University of Vermont