“Living, learning, and working in the community that you grew up in is what makes the EIP program so special. It allowed me to pursue my passions and interests early in my medical training while still staying connected to the state that I call home.”

Steven Rougas, MD
Alpert Medical School ‘13
Providence College ‘09

The Rhode Island Early Identification Program

The Rhode Island Early Identification Program (RI EIP) is a selective route of entry to Alpert Medical School that allows Rhode Island residents studying at one of three Rhode Island schools to apply for early assurance during their junior year in their undergraduate program. Admitted candidates are provisionally accepted for entry in the class beginning the August following their graduation, with the option of a one-year deferral to participate in an enriching activity in the medical field. Successful candidates will receive communication from the director of Brown's Program in Liberal Medical Education (PLME) regarding potential enrichment activities between acceptance and matriculation at the medical school.

To be eligible, students must be a RI resident enrolled at Providence College, Rhode Island College, or the University of Rhode Island and be nominated by the school's Health Professions Advisory Committee or pre-professional adviser. Applications are initiated through the three undergraduate schools; for more details, speak to the pre-professional adviser at your school. For this route of entry, the MD Admissions Committee favorably considers candidates whose academics, life experiences, and extracurricular activities demonstrate some combination of the following:

- Strong commitment to the local community
- An exceptional understanding of and motivation for medicine
- Academic performance in college indicating high aptitude for success in studying medicine
- Unique life experiences that enrich a candidate's understanding of medicine or medically underserved populations

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