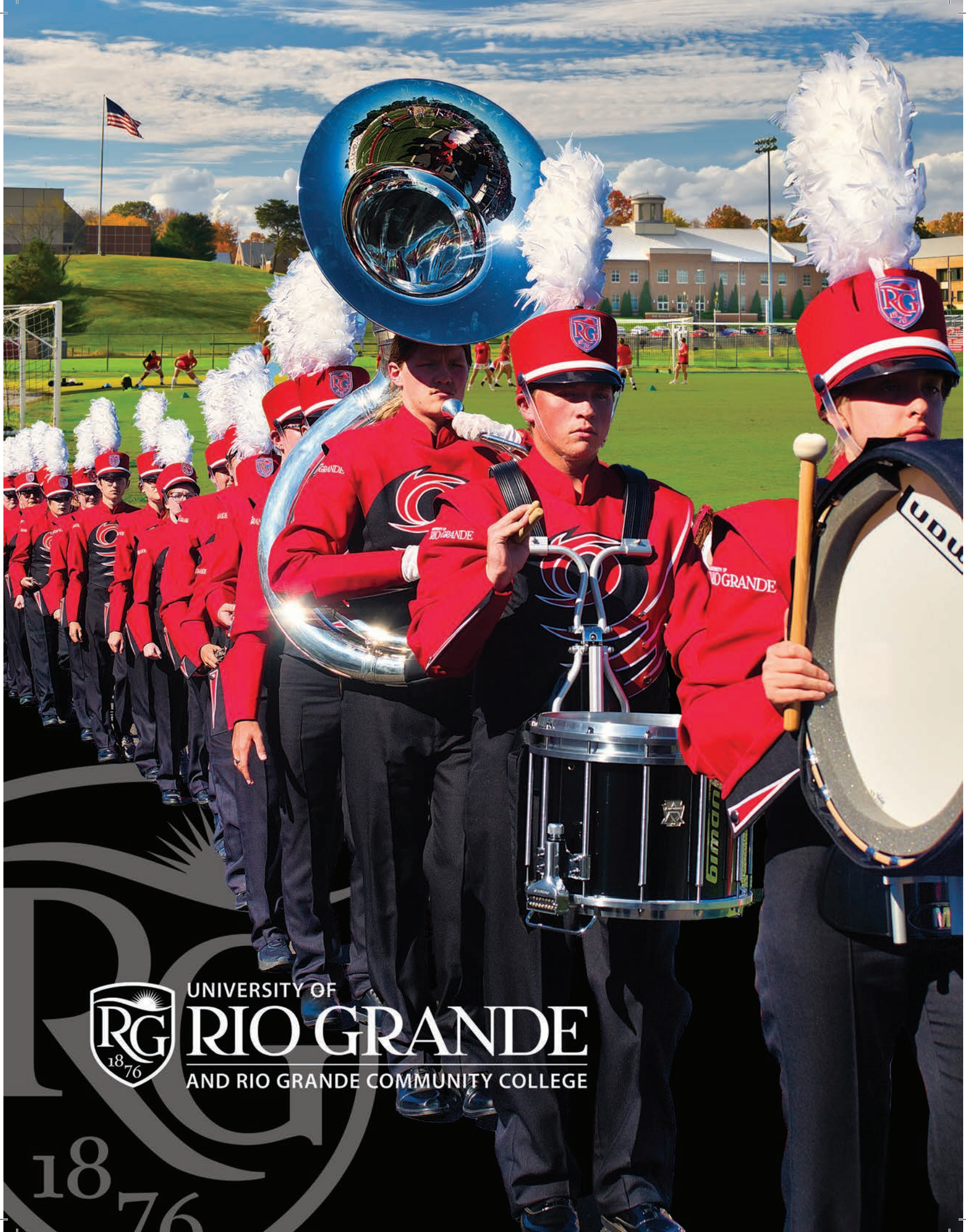




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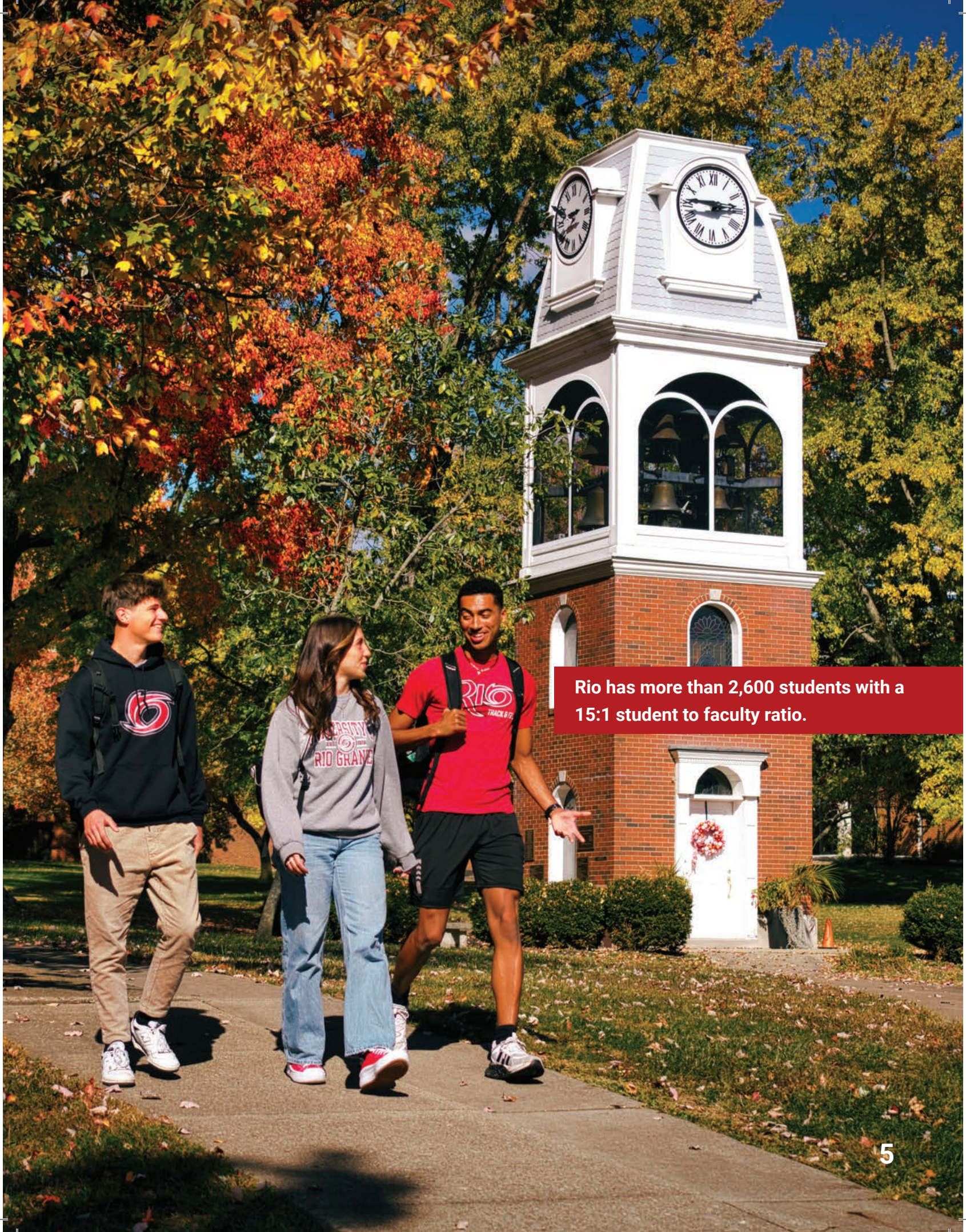
Rio's contemporary 190-acre campus is located in the beautiful rolling hills of southeastern Ohio, offering students the safety associated with a small town. The campus is an oasis of learning, innovation, and technology in the region. The institution's strengths lie in a faculty of teachers/scholars who are dedicated to both the academic and humanistic growth of every student, programs that are academically challenging, and numerous opportunities for extracurricular involvement. As America's unique private/public institution of higher education, Rio's mission is to provide learners the opportunity to attain a high-quality, high-value education. Our personalized, learner-centered environment promotes successful lives, careers, and responsible citizenship.



Learn more about Rio!



Students can choose from over 80+ academic programs, including certificate programs, associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees. Custom majors and minors are also available for those students whose needs differ from traditional program offerings. A Rio Grande education is student centered, and provides an effective balance of practical training and the liberal arts. Rio students also have numerous opportunities available to study abroad and participate in internships.



Rio has more than 2,600 students with a 15:1 student to faculty ratio.

ACADEMICS



Master's of Education Degree

Programs:

Athletic Coaching Leadership-MEd
Educational Leadership-MEd

Bachelor Degrees

Four-Year Major Program

Concentrations:

(Minor Required)

Biology
Business Management
Computer Science
History
Mathematics
Psychology
Sport & Exercise Studies

Four-Year Comprehensive Major Program:

Concentrations: (No Minor Required)

Applied Healthcare Admin. 2+2
Biochemistry
Diagnostic Medical Sonography
Environmental Science
Individualized Degree Program
(*requires Academic Policy approval*)
Industrial Technology
Liberal Studies
Neuroscience
Nursing*
Professional Communications
Public Health
Social Work

Technical Studies

Visual Art

Wildlife Conservation

Four-Year Minor Programs:

Accounting
Art
Banking
Biology
Business Management
Certified Financial Planning
Computer Science
English
Environmental Science
Healthcare Administration
History
Information Technology
Marketing
Mathematics
Political Science
Professional Communications
Psychology
Sensory Impairment

Education: Licensures

Primary PK-5/Primary PK-5 Intervention Specialist
Primary PK-5/Intervention Specialist K-12
Intervention Specialist K-12

Middle Childhood (Grades 4-9) Major requiring two areas of concentrations:

Mid Child: Lang Arts/Soc. Studies
Mid Child: Lang Arts/Math

ACADEMICS



Mid Child: Lang Arts/Science
Mid Child: Soc. Studies/Math
Mid Child: Soc. Studies/Science
Mid Child: Math/Science

Adolescent to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)

Major requiring one of the following concentrations:

AYA: Integrated Language Arts
AYA: Integrated Mathematics
AYA: Integrated Social Studies
Agriculture Education

Political Science
Pre-Engineering
Prekindergarten
Professional Communications
Psychology
Radiologic Technology*
Respiratory Therapy*
Social Services
Sport & Exercise Studies
Technical Studies
Visual Art
Welding

Two-Year Degree Program Concentrations:

Biology
Business Management
Career-Technical Program OH
Chemistry
Cybersecurity
Diagnostic Medical Sonography: General*
Diagnostic Medical Sonography:
 Cardiovascular*
English
Environmental Science
General Studies
History
Industrial Automation and Maintenance
Industrial Electric with Robotics
Industrial Machinery
IT: Network Systems
Mathematics
Meat Science
Medical Assistant
Nursing*

Certificate Programs:

Accounting
Agricultural Business Management
Career-Technical Teaching
Certified Financial Planning
EKG
EMT (Basic & Advanced)
Healthcare Administration
Industrial Electricity with Robotics
Industrial Mechanical Maintenance
Information Technology
Marketing
Medical Coding & Billing
Medical Scribe
Phlebotomy
Post-Master's Certificate in Teaching
 and Learning
Professional Banking
Safety & First Aid
Small Business Management
Welding

** Additional application and requirements needed*



MARLEE GRINSTEAD

Primary Pre-K-Grade 5/Pre-K-Grade 5 Intervention Specialist
All-American Women's Basketball Player

Choosing the University of Rio Grande was an easy decision for me because of its family atmosphere, strong academics, and competitive athletic programs. As a student-athlete, I've been able to successfully balance school and athletics thanks to the constant support from my coaches and professors. Through Rio's education program, I've gained real classroom experience that has prepared me for my future, while also competing at a high level on the court. My senior year was especially unforgettable, as our team made history with a conference championship and the opportunity to host the national tournament. Beyond the wins, Rio has given me lifelong friendships, a strong sense of community, and the chance to grow both personally and professionally.



INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

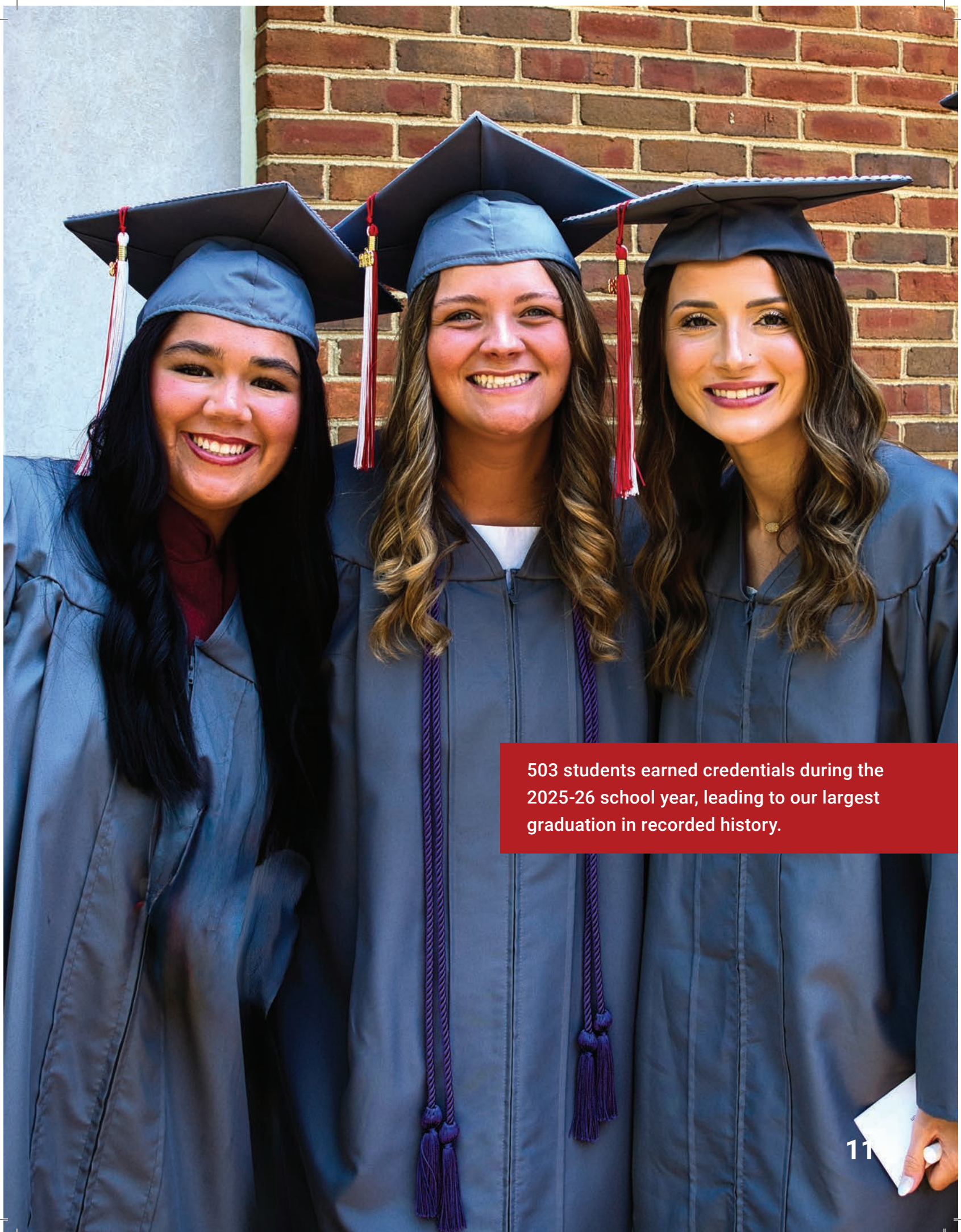
**Bachelor of Science Degree in
Industrial Technology**



HONORS PROGRAM

The Honors Program engages gifted students through a specialized curriculum.





503 students earned credentials during the 2025-26 school year, leading to our largest graduation in recorded history.

COST



TUITION

2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR



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tuition cost

TUITION*	FRESHMAN 100	SOPHOMORE 200	JUNIOR 300	SENIOR 400	YEARLY AVERAGE*
4-county Ohio Residents	\$5,580	\$5,580	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$12,790
Ohio Residents	\$6,480	\$6,480	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$13,240
Kentucky Residents (Boyd, Carter, Fleming, Greenup, Lawrence, Mason, Rowan, Elliot, and Lewis Counties only)	\$6,480	\$6,480	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$13,240
West Virginia Residents	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$14,950
Out-of-State	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000

Bachelor of Nursing Program tuition is \$200 per credit hour.

**Calculations based on 30 credit hours per academic year. Room, board, fees, books, grants, or scholarships are not included and are subject to change without notice.*



AFFORDABILITY

Rio prides itself on making a quality education affordable. We offer some of the lowest tuition rates in the state for both two- and four-year degrees.

Every year, we award an average of \$1.6 million in private donor scholarships.

Additionally, over 85% of our students are PELL eligible, and when you combine that with the hundreds of scholarships that are available to Rio students, the actual cost of tuition could be much lower!

Learn more by emailing us at finaid@rio.edu

Financial Aid School Code for FAFSA is 003116



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TRINITY HALL



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Application



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Guide



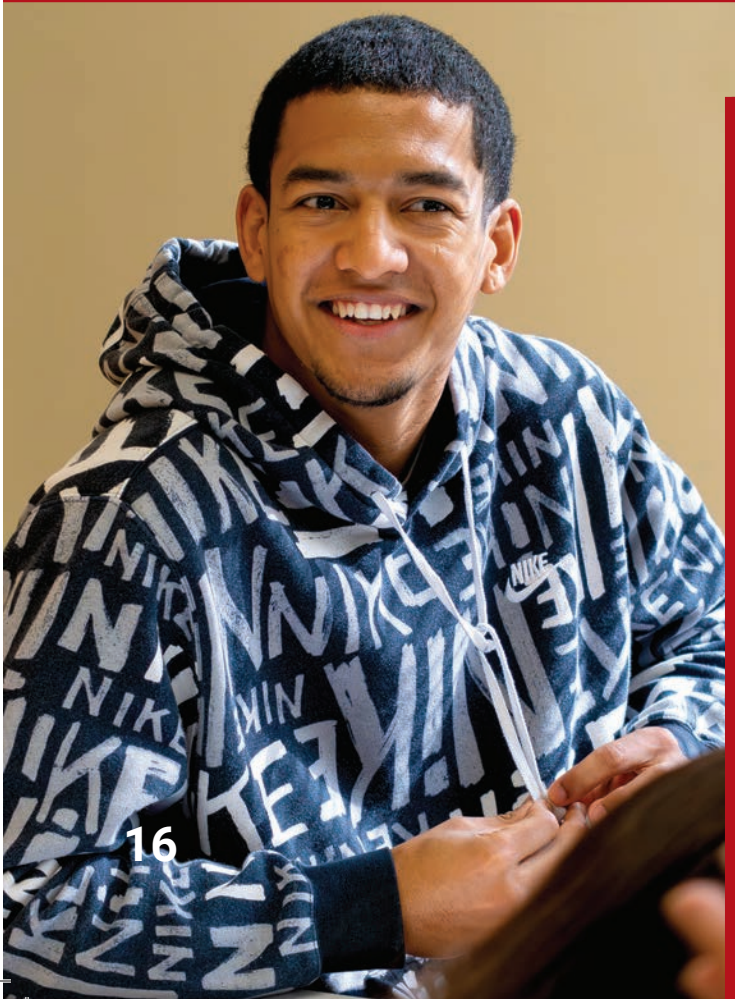
LIVING ON CAMPUS

Our on-campus housing isn't just a place to stay – it's a vibrant community that enhances your university experience. At Rio, we prioritize your safety and well-being, providing a secure environment that fosters both community engagement and individual independence. Research indicates that living on campus positively correlates with academic success, making this a valuable opportunity for personal growth and the formation of lifelong friendships.

Our Room and Board options allow our students to pick a plan that is best for their individual needs and wants. All plans include essential utilities such as electric, and internet. Additionally, you can enjoy the peace of mind knowing that there won't be any financial impact if your roommate decides to leave mid-year. Embrace the opportunity for personal and academic growth in a supportive and inclusive on-campus community at Rio!

Room & Board Choices (Annualized)

Room Choice				Board Choice	
Hall	Room Type	Room Type Cost		Meal Plan	Meal Plan Cost
Traditional-Style Boyd, Davis, Holzer, Wellness	Traditional Double/Quad	\$6,300	+	19 (week)	\$4,700
	Super Double/Suite	\$7,300			
	Traditional Single	\$7,500			
	Super Single	\$7,700			
Apartment-Style Trinity	Double	\$8,200	+	19 (week)	\$4,700
	Single	\$9,200		14 (week)	\$4,400
				10 (week)	\$4,100





CAMPUS LIFE

Whether you are a traditional or non-traditional student, resident or commuter, there is a place for you to get involved outside of the classroom. The Office of Student Life can connect students with opportunities including student organizations, leadership development, and campus events and traditions.

Beyond our competitive athletic teams, Rio has numerous student groups on campus, including extracurricular, co-curricular, and Greek organizations. Joining in on the fun is easy at Rio, whether you are a singer, fisher, movie buff, gamer – or want to try these out for the first time. We aim to be inclusive of all student interests through our programming.



**Scan for
more info on
campus life**



GET INVOLVED

ACADEMIC ORGANIZATIONS & HONOR SOCIETIES

- American Marketing Association
- Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
- Psychology Club
- Social Work Student Council
- STEM Club
- Wildlife Society

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ORGANIZATIONS

- All Greek Council
- Alpha Chi Nu (Archon)
- Alpha Mu Beta
- Alpha Sigma Phi
- Art Club
- Association of Student Athletes
- Chi Omega Alpha
- Cornhole Club
- Delta Theta
- Grande Chorale
- Hiking Club
- Pickleball Club
- Rio Game Club
- Symphonic Band
- Tau Kappa Epsilon
- Title IX Student Advisory Board

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

- Reach Out on Campus
- S.E.A.R.C.H.

"Studying abroad was an unforgettable experience. From experiencing different cultures to visiting historical castles, I was able to build a global perspective as well as lifelong memories."

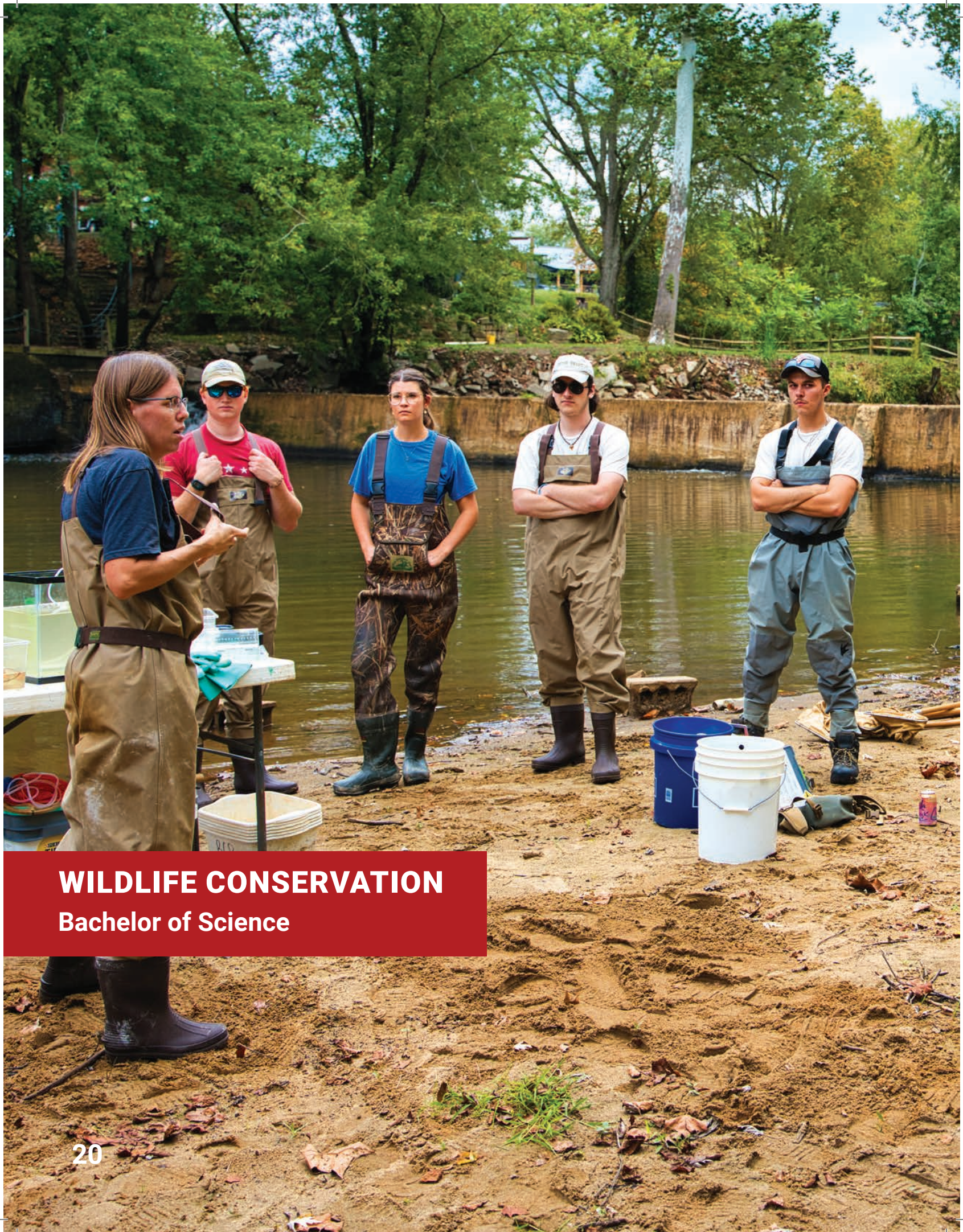
— Nalah Kirkendall

STUDY ABROAD

The Madog Center for Welsh Studies offers students the opportunity to "foster understanding and appreciation for Welsh heritage and contemporary Welsh culture" through a variety of activities throughout the year.

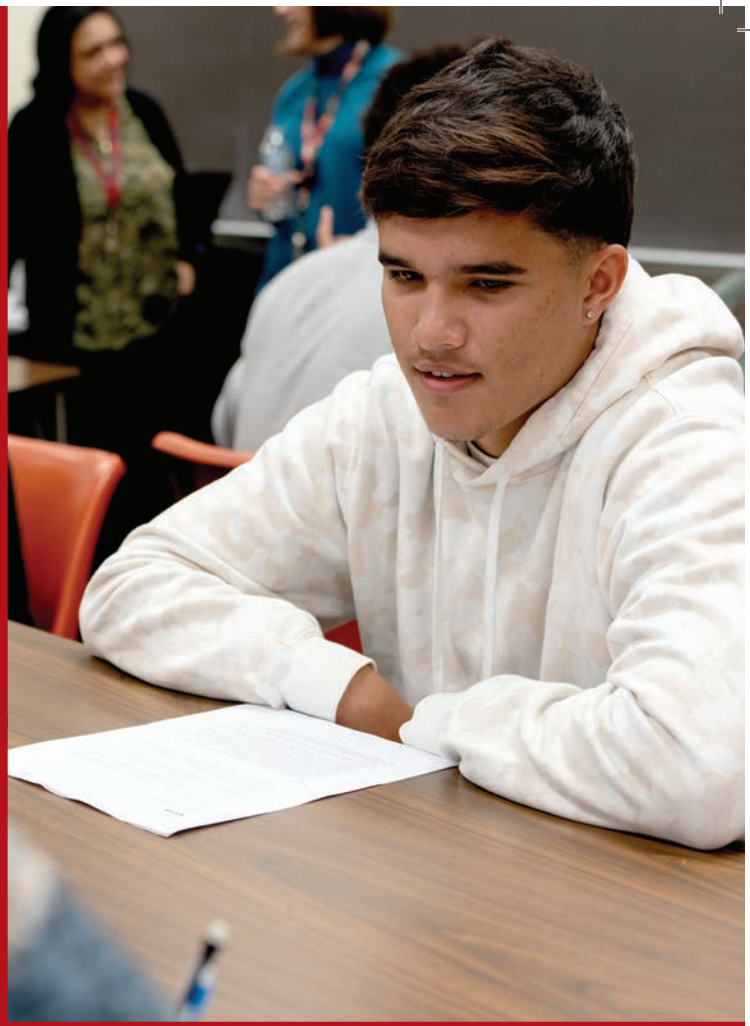
Rio Grande has an exchange partnership with the University of Wales Trinity Saint David in the United Kingdom through which students have the opportunity to study abroad during the fall semester. Rio Grande financial aid and scholarships apply for those who participate.





WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Bachelor of Science





STUDENT SUPPORT

ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

The Office of Accessibility at the University of Rio Grande and Rio Grande Community College is committed to serving and advocating for students with documented disabilities. It is the practice of URG and RGCC's Office of Accessibility to ensure that an inclusive and accessible experience is available to all students, through the use of reasonable accommodations in accordance with the ADA and Section 504. The Office of Accessibility views disabilities as a form of diversity, and with compassion and respect works with students and the campus community to create an equitable educational experience.

FREE TUTORING

The Michael V. and Flora Jenkins Academic Center is dedicated to providing free academic support services, such as tutoring, writing assistance, and basic academic skills instruction to students enrolled at the University of Rio Grande and Rio Grande Community College. Two full time learning support specialists are available to assist students with their academic studies. The Jenkins Academic Center's tutoring program offers professional as well as peer tutoring and is nationally certified by the College Reading and Learning Association at both Level I/ Regular and Level II/Advanced.



MENTAL HEALTH

As a student, you may encounter a range of challenges throughout your academic experience that can create barriers to learning and overall daily functioning. At Rio, we recognize the importance of mental health and wellness and strive to maintain an environment where all students feel welcome, heard, and supported throughout their educational journey. Mental Wellbeing employs licensed mental health professionals who provide free short-term counseling services to all currently enrolled students. In addition to addressing concerns that arise during a student's time at Rio, Mental Wellbeing can assist students in maintaining continuity of care for existing mental health conditions by coordinating with current providers, facilitating referrals, and connecting students with community resources when longer-term or specialized services are needed.

HEALTH SERVICES

Health Services is a nurse-directed basic first aid and minor short-term illness clinic where students can receive care when they are ill, injured, or need assistance maintaining their health and well-being. All services are provided free of charge and include rapid testing for strep, flu, and COVID-19; TB skin testing; blood glucose and urinalysis screening; minor wound care; suture removal; nebulizer respiratory treatments; blood pressure and BMI screening; seasonal flu vaccinations; and free over-the-counter medications.

ATHLETICS



FOOTBALL



ATHLETICS

Rio Grande has enjoyed a rich heritage of success from the “Bevo” Francis era to the current group of RedStorm athletes. Rio Grande continues to produce championship caliber teams and athletes.

The relationship between academics and athletics at the University of Rio Grande is based on mutual support, respect, and a commitment to: provide high quality programs that reflect positively on the institution; teach the importance of striving for excellence in every endeavor; advance the mission of the institution; and promote the five core values as spelled out by the NAIA Champions of Character initiatives.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS



ATHLETICS



Men's programs include:

BASEBALL*
BASKETBALL*
BOWLING*
CROSS COUNTRY
FOOTBALL
GOLF
RUGBY
SOCCER*
INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
VOLLEYBALL*
WRESTLING

Women's programs include:

BASKETBALL*
BOWLING*
CROSS COUNTRY
GOLF
SOCCER*
SOFTBALL*
INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
VOLLEYBALL*
WRESTLING

** Reserve Teams
in these sports*

Co-ed programs include:

ARCHERY
BASS FISHING
CHEERLEADING
DANCE
ESPORTS
MARCHING BAND

RIOREDSTORM.COM







ADMISSIONS STAFF

The Office of Admissions team works with you throughout the enrollment process. We are here to guide and assist you with any questions or concerns you have. Please contact your Admissions Representative if you have any questions.



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SCHEDULE
A VISIT AND OR
TO REGISTER FOR
AN OPEN HOUSE



SCAN TO
APPLY TODAY!

WHAT'S NEXT?

PLAN A CAMPUS VISIT TO SEE FOR YOURSELF

The best way to see if Rio Grande is right for you is to visit the campus. Individual visits are available to meet each student's interests and needs. Campus visits are available Monday through Friday. A typical visit includes a meeting with an admissions representative and a tour of campus by a student ambassador. You can also meet with a faculty member, coach, or sit in on a class.

Please contact the Admissions Office at 740-245-7208 to arrange a visit or sign up for a visit at www.rio.edu/admissions.

OPEN HOUSE DATES: Thursday, November 19, 2026, and
Thursday, February 25, 2027.

READY TO APPLY?

The first step toward enrolling at Rio Grande is completing your application. Because Rio Grande has an open-enrollment admissions process, we do not require a specific GPA or standardized testing score for general admission. Students wishing to receive consideration are required to submit:

- A completed application using the QR code or visit: rio.edu/apply
- Official high school transcript or GED
- Official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended
- Official results from the American College Test (ACT) or Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) is optional for admission

READY FOR RIO CHECKLIST

Complete each section before moving on to the next to get Ready for Rio.

Section 1 – Starting your Application

- ☐ Submit your general application to Rio
- ☐ Request for your high school and/or college transcripts to be sent to Rio
- ☐ Submit any additional applications for your program/major
- ☐ Fill out FAFSA and apply for Rio Scholarships (QR code on Page 13)

Section 2 – After Acceptance

- ☐ Set up your Rio email (contact helpdesk@rio.edu for questions)
- ☐ Schedule an Appointment with your Student Success Coach after new student registration opens to schedule classes
- ☐ Register for one of the available dates for orientation
- ☐ Apply for housing (QR code on page 14)

Section 3 – Once Classes are Scheduled

- ☐ Order books and other supplies for your classes
- ☐ Pack and move on campus
- ☐ Get your parking pass and student ID from Campus Police
- ☐ Attend Welcome Weekend

Success Coach: _____

Student ID: _____

Rio Email: _____

Rio Password: _____

FAFSA Username: _____

FAFSA Password: _____



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