

## **Brown University Info Guide**

### **Basic Information**

- Private
- 7,160 undergrads
- Majority of classes have less than 20 students
- Acceptance rate: 7.1%

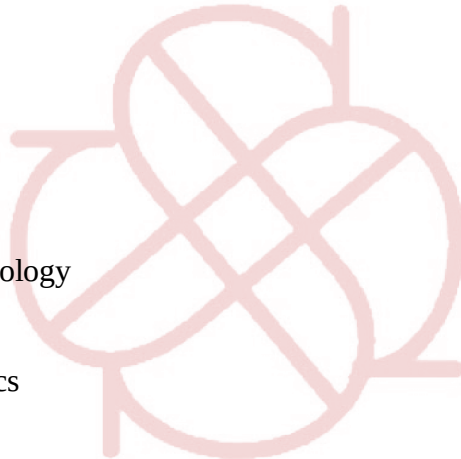
### **School Strengths**

- Best known for their “Computer Science; Econometrics and Quantitative Economics; Biology/Biological Sciences, General; Entrepreneurship/Entrepreneurial Studies; and History, General” stated by US News
- The open curriculum is also a factor that makes Brown stand out against other Universities

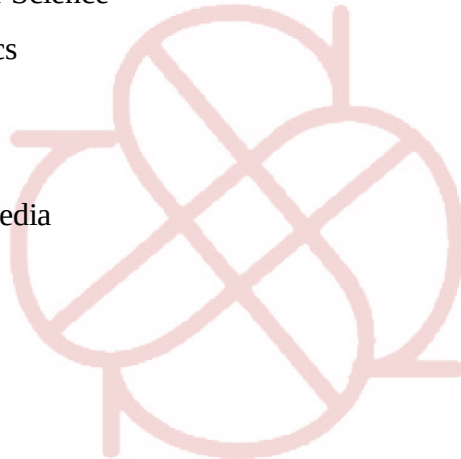
### **Majors**

- African Studies
- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Applied Mathematics
- Applied Mathematics-Biology
- Applied Mathematics-Computer Science
- Applied Mathematics-Economics
- Archeology and the Ancient World
- Architecture
- Astronomy
- Behavioral Decision Sciences
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Biology
- Biochemical Engineering
- Biophysics

- Business, Entrepreneurship and Organization
- Chemical Physics
- Chemistry
- Classics
- Cognitive Neurosciences
- Cognitive Science
- Comparative Literature
- Computational Biology
- Computer Science
- Computer Science-Economics
- Contemplative Studies
- Development Studies
- Early Modern World
- East Asian Studies
- Economics
- Education Studies
- Egyptology and Assyriology
- Engineering
- Engineering and Physics
- English
- Environmental Studies
- Ethnic Studies
- French and Francophone Studies
- Gender and Sexuality Studies
- Geological Sciences
- Geology-Biology
- Geology-Chemistry
- Geology-Physics/Mathematics
- German Studies
- Health and Human Biology
- Hispanic Literature and Cultures



- History
- History of Art and Architecture
- Independent Concentration
- International and Public Affairs
- International Relations
- Italian Studies
- Judaic Studies
- Latin American and Caribbean Studies
- Linguistics
- Literary Arts
- Mathematics
- Mathematics-Computer Science
- Mathematics-Economics
- Medieval Cultures
- Middle East Studies
- Modern Culture and Media
- Music
- Neuroscience
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Physics Science
- Portuguese and Brazilian Studies
- Psychology
- Public Health
- Public Policy
- Religious Studies
- Science, Technology, and Society
- Slavic Studies
- Social Analysis and Research
- Sociology
- South Asian Studies



- Statistics
- Theatre Arts and Performance Studies
- Urban Studies
- Visual Arts

### **Campus and Environment**

- Located in Providence, Rhode Island
- 146 acres on campus
- Very historic
- Located in the city
- Lots of cultural diversity
- Lively city
- Very safe surrounding area
- Many museums to visit near the campus
- Not many students have cars

### **Academics**

- Average GPA is 4.08
- Requirements
  - Must complete 30 Brown credits or the equivalent in approved transfer courses
  - Students must take at least 2 writing; one as a freshman or sophomore and one as a junior or senior
  - No other core requirements allowing more freedom
- Most professors are friendly
- “Flexible yet rigorous approach”
- You can apply for honors within your concentration, typically during junior year
- 84 majors (stated above)
- Made up of 6 colleges
  - The College
  - Graduate School

- School of Engineering
  - School of Professional Studies
  - School of Public Health
  - Warren Alpert Medical School
- The College
  - Allows students to create their own programs of study
  - Program in Liberal Medical Education (PLME) which allows selected students to earn an M.D at Brown's medical school.
  - Brown-RISD Dual Degree Program allows students to earn a BA of arts and a BA of fine arts in 5 years
- Graduate School
  - Unique and diverse clubs, such as Tango Club and Society for the Advancement of Chicano and Native Americans in Science
  - Offers flexibility when choosing doctoral program
- School of Engineering
  - New updated facility
  - Lots of job, internship and grad school application resources
- School of Professional Studies
  - Collaborative and inclusive environment
  - Advisory Council to Eliminate Anti-Black Racism
- School of Public Health
  - Big emphasis on research clusters
  - Very community engaged
- Warren Alpert Medical School
  - 27 residency programs
  - 53 fellowship programs
- Curriculum allows for a more global view
  - Many options to study abroad
    - Argentina (consortium)
    - Brazil
    - Chile

- Cuba
- France
- Germany
- Hong Kong
- Ireland
- Italy
- Japan (consortium)
- Spain
- UK

### **Core Curriculum**

- Rather than a core curriculum, Brown has an Open Curriculum
  - Students take part in building their own curriculum, giving students a unique sense freedom and flexibility
  - Despite the minimum for two writing courses

### **Application Information**

- \$75 application fee
- Common Application
- Early Decision Deadline: November 1st
  - Receive a decision in mid-December
- Regular Decision Deadline: January 5th
  - Receive a decision in early April
  - Must accept by May 2nd

### **Student Life**

- Greek Life
  - 7 fraternities
    - Alpha Phi Alpha
    - Beta Omega Chi

- Zeta Delta Xi (gender inclusive)
  - Delta Tau
  - Delta Phi
  - Kappa Alpha Psi
  - Theta Alpha
- 5 sororities
  - Alpha Chi Omega (oldest)
  - Delta Sigma Theta
  - Delta Gamma
  - Kappa Delta
  - Kappa Alpha Theta
- 1 society
  - Alpha Delta Phi
- Clubs
  - Over 400 Students Organizations
    - Anime Society
    - Pirate Acapella
    - Beekeeping Society
    - And many more unique clubs, which can all be viewed at <https://brown.presence.io/organizations>
  - 60 Public Service Groups
    - Alzheimer's Activists
    - Bikes at Brown
    - Circle of Women
    - And many more unique groups, which can also be viewed at <https://brown.presence.io/organizations>

### **Opportunities**

- Many funding opportunities for research
- Many internships available
- Group or Individual Projects

- Wintersession
  - “Semester-length course, but in a condensed time frame”

## **Housing**

- On Campus
  - 74% of undergrads live on campus
  - Students are required to live on campus for 6 semesters
    - Exceptions are made for Resumed Undergraduate Education Students, married students (living locally), and commuting students who live with their family (within 30 miles)
  - All first year undergrads live in residence halls with about 50-60 students
  - Returning students get to choosing housing, through lottery system
  - Additional housing and services for medical students
  - Offers Program Housing
  - Special interest housing
    - Same-sex housing
    - Substance free housing
    - Quiet hall
  - First year student housing will be in these residence halls (all campus on freshman will have roommates)
    - Archibald-Bronson
    - Everett-Poland
    - Jameson-Mead
    - Andrews Hall
    - Metcalf
    - Miller Hall
    - Morriss Hall
    - Champlin
    - Emery
    - Woolley Hall
    - New Pembroke 4



- Sophomore students will be in these residential halls (they will have the option of private rooms or roommates)

- 111 Brown Street (smallest, houses 13 students)
- Machado House
- 219 Bowen Street (houses 16 students)
- West House
- New Pembroke 3
- Caswell Hall
- Buxton House
- Chapin House
- Diman House
- Goddard House
- Harkness House
- Marcy House
- Olney House
- Sears House
- Midden Hall
- Barbour Hall
- Barbour Hall Apartments
- Kings House
- Perkins Hall
- Littlefield Hall
- Hope College
- Gregorian Quad

- Senior and Junior Housing (they will have the option of private rooms or roommates)

- 315 Thayer
- Grad Center A
- Grad Center B
- Grad Center C
- Gregorian Quad A

- Gregorian Quad B
- Hegeman Hall
- Minden Hall
- New Pembroke 1
- New Pembroke 2
- Slater Hall
- Young Orchard 2
- Young Orchard 4
- Young Orchard 10
- Off Campus Housing
  - Undergrads must apply and receive permission to live off-campus
  - Non-Resident fee varies but is currently \$473
  - Brown has link to see off campus listings that are available at the time
  - The apartments vary from single room studios to 7 bed apartments
  - Common locations are typically
    - Westminster Lofts
    - Edge College Hill
    - Village Lofts
    - The Promenade
    - US Rubber Lofts

## **Food**

- Ranked 3rd for best dining halls by College Consensus
- On campus
  - Meal Plans
    - 20 weekly (200 flex points)
    - 14 weekly (150 flex points)
    - 7 weekly (70 flex points)
    - Kosher/Halal (200 flex points)
    - Off Campus (375 flex points)
  - Dining options on campus

- Sharpe Refectory
- Andrews Commons
- Verney-Woolley Takeout
- Blue Room
- Ivy Room
- Gourmet To Go
- Josiah's
- Menus are available daily
- You can filter to fit your diet (vegan, vegetarian, etc)
- Off campus
  - Many restaurants within a mile (walking distance)
  - Popular options
    - Soulfull food truck
    - Heng Thai and Rotisserie
    - East Side Pocket
    - Hemenway's Restaurant
    - La Creperie
    - By CHLOE
    - Chipotle
    - Flatbread Pizza Company