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URI becomes an official partner of CFA program

KINGSTON – The University of Rhode Island's College of Business Administration has been named a Charter Financial Analyst Program Partner by the CFA Institute, an international association of investment professionals that awards the CFA designation to individuals.

URI is one of only 14 universities in the United States that have been named CFA partners, and the only one in Rhode Island.

Students in the business program at URI now will have access to CFA Institute textbooks, journals, Webcasts and other educational resources, university officials said. That will give them an advantage when they eventually take the rigorous exam required to become a CFA.

"This designation will differentiate our finance program from others in the region and will be extremely beneficial in recruiting high school students who are interested in finance," said Mark Higgins, dean of the business school. "And [it will] strengthen our ties with the Providence business community."

The partnership agreement was signed today at noon, by representatives of URI and the CFA Institute, during a special ceremony on the Kingston campus.

The CFA Institute – founded in 1947 as the Association for Investment Management and Research (AIMR) – is a global membership organization that awards the Chartered Financial Analyst designation; regulates CFAs; and advocates for fairness and transparency in the financial markets. To learn more, visit www.cfainstitute.org.



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