GENERAL INFORMATION

Mission of the University

Inspired by our land-grant identity and guided by our motto, Ut Prosim (That I May Serve), Virginia Tech is an inclusive community of knowledge, discovery, and creativity dedicated to improving the quality of life and the human condition within the Commonwealth of Virginia and throughout the world.

Athletics, Intramurals, and Recreational Facilities

Virginia Tech has a diverse and highly active athletic program for men and women students in intercollegiate, intramural, and extramural sports. The athletic program is recognized as one of the most successful in the nation because it is geared to meet the needs of all students interested in physical and recreational sports activity.

The university has extensive and modern athletic and recreational facilities, including:

- Cassell Coliseum, an indoor arena seating 8,925
- Lane Stadium, seating 65,632
- a fully equipped recreation gymnasium, including War Memorial Pool
- Rector Field House
- Burrows-Burleson Tennis Center
- English Field at Atlantic Union Bank Park
- outdoor tennis courts
- the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech and Virginia Tech Golf Course
- · Johnson-Miller Track Complex
- Thompson Field for Soccer/Lacrosse
- Tech Softball Park
- a pond for ice skating in the winter
- · South Recreation Field Area for outdoor sports

Virginia Tech's athletic varsity teams compete at the Division I level of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). The university participates in the Atlantic Coast Conference for all varsity sports. Athletic scholarships are available in the following intercollegiate sports:

- Baseball (men)
- · Basketball (men and women)
- Football (men)
- Golf (men and women)
- Lacrosse (women)
- Soccer (men and women)
- Softball (women)
- Swimming and Diving (men and women)
- Tennis (men and women)
- · Indoor/Outdoor Track and Field/Cross Country (men and women)
- Volleyball (women)
- Wrestling (men)

The following extramural sports clubs also are available:

- baseball (men's)
- basketball
- bowling
- clay target
- competitive cheerleading
- crew
- cricket
- cycling
- equestrian
- fencing
- golf
- women's field hockey
- gymnastics
- ice hockey
- lacrosse
- roller hockey
- rugby
- soccer
- softball (women's)
- snow skiing
- tennis
- triathlon
- volleyball
- water polo
- wakeboard

Virginia Tech offers a wide range of intramural and recreational programs for men and women including the following sports:

- basketball
- billiards
- bowling
- chess
- dodgeball
- fantasy football
- · flag football
- hearts tournament
- racquetball
- golf
- innertube water polo
- kickball
- soccer
- softball
- swimming
- table tennis
- tennis
- team darts
- ultimate frisbee
- volleyball
- wallyball
- wiffleball

Venture Out provides fun, safe, and educational outdoor services to the university community. Venture Out specializes in low-risk outdoor

adventures, quality rental gear at unbeatable rates, and valuable resource materials. Venture Out is a healthy recreational alternative and allows the university community to enjoy all that Southwest Virginia has to offer, from hiking and camping, to kayaking, horseback riding, mountain biking, and skiing.

Venture Out Phone: (540) 231-4982 E-mail: ventureout@vt.edu Web: www.recsports.vt.edu/content/venture-out (http:// www.recsports.vt.edu/content/venture-out/)

Cadet System

The Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets is one of only two programs in the United States offering a corps of cadets within a large public university. The Corps of Cadets (https://vtcc.vt.edu/), a militarily structured organization, offers many leadership development opportunities to both male and female students. The Rice Center for Leader Development offers a minor in leadership studies. Contact CAPT Jamie McGrath, USN(Ret), Director, (540) 231-9455 for additional information on the Rice Center.

The Corps is supervised by the Commandant of Cadets, who establishes overall policies and methods of operation for the Corps. The cadet commanders and staff officers are responsible for implementation of policies and procedures and the day-to-day operations of the Corps.

Membership in the Corps involves a 24-hour-a-day commitment. Members wear a distinctive Virginia Tech cadet uniform and live in designated cadet residence halls. Both cadets and non-cadets are part of one student body, attend the same classes, and are organized into one student government. Cadets participate in all university activities, including athletics, social events, and cultural programs. Membership in the Cadet Regimental Band, the "Highty-Tighties," is restricted to cadets. Although many benefits are available through participation in one of the three ROTC programs offered at Tech, a student does not have to enroll in an ROTC program to be a member of the Corps of Cadets.

Career and Professional Development

Career and Professional Development works with students of all academic levels and all majors/degree programs to assist with the following:

- Making career decisions and plans. Whether students are trying to decide on an academic major or a career field, Career Advisors on staff are ready to assist. Self-assessment tools are used to help students identify their unique strengths, interests, values, and personality type. Students can find a variety of career information through the Career and Professional Development web site (www.career.vt.edu (http://www.career.vt.edu)) and in the Career Resource Library in the Smith Career Center.
- Gaining career-related experience while in school. Increasingly, employers expect students to have experience in their chosen field before graduation. In addition to administering the Cooperative Education and Internship Program (detailed below) and Campus internEXP (an on-campus internship program), Career and Professional Development provides hundreds of internship job listings through Handshake, their on-line resume referral and job listing database.
- Determining post-graduation career plans. This typically involves seeking full-time employment or applying to graduate or professional

school. Career and Professional Development offers a full range of services related to educating students about the job search process including resume and cover letter critiques, practice interviews, seminars on business etiquette, and more. Through Handshake, students have access to thousands of job listings and opportunities to connect with employers through the On-Campus Interviewing Program. Additionally, Health Professions Advising is located within Career and Professional Development and is dedicated to assisting students who are interested in continuing their education to pursue a health-related occupation. (www.career.vt.edu/hpa (http:// www.career.vt.edu/hpa/))

Information about all of Career and Professional Development's resources, services and programs - including an events calendar - is located at www.career.vt.edu (http://www.career.vt.edu). To meet with a Career Advisor to discuss any of these topics, students can schedule an appointment through Handshake, by calling (540) 231-6241, or by visiting Career and Professional Development. Career and Professional Development is located in the Smith Career Center on the corner of Washington Street and West Campus Drive.

Cooperative Education & Internship Program

The Cooperative Education & Internship Program (CEIP) is an academic program that provides students the opportunity to combine real world work experience with classroom theory. It involves one or more semesters of paid or unpaid, full-time or part-time work and is a partnership among the student, Career and Professional Development, the academic department, and the employer. Gaining career-related experience gives the cooperative education or internship student the opportunity to test career goals, develop key experiences and skills, defray the costs of a college education, and gain an important edge for the post-graduation job market. The student transcript will indicate Cooperative Education and Internship Program enrollment during the term(s) worked.

The CEIP Orientation is required of all students who plan to enroll in the Cooperative Education & Internship Program. Seminars are scheduled throughout the year and are designed to walk prospective co-op and internship students through the process of enrollment in the CEIP. Please call (540) 231-6241 or visit career.vt.edu/experience/ceip.html (http:// career.vt.edu/experience/ceip.html) to find out more.

Requirements for Participation in the CEIP

- Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0.
- Students can begin work the summer after their freshman year. Transfer students must have completed at least one semester and earned a GPA of at least 2.0 at Virginia Tech.
- · The co-op or internship job can be a full-time or part-time opportunity.

Additional Notes

- The CEIP is open to any undergraduate student in any major.
- The Graduate School administers the graduate Co-op and Internship Program.
- To see where our current students are working, visit https://reports.career.vt.edu/EmployersListByMajor? orderBy=ASC&sortBy=StudentMajor (https://reports.career.vt.edu/ EmployersListByMajor/?orderBy=ASC&sortBy=StudentMajor)

Counseling Center (Thomas E. Cook Counseling Center)

2475 Oak Lane, 107 East Eggleston Hall, 202 S. Main Street (Kent Square), 4505 North End Center, Riverside 1- 2nd floor, Roanoke; and National Capital Region (Falls Church campus)

The Thomas E. Cook Counseling Center is accredited by the International Association of Counseling Services and provides a full range of mental health services to all undergraduate and graduate students on the Blacksburg campus and the Roanoke (Riverside 1) campus. Services include crisis intervention, individual and group counseling, and psychiatric care. Cook Counseling Center also offers consultation services for students, parents, faculty, and staff; 24/7 after-hours emergency on-call services; mental health outreach including peer assistance programs; and online screenings.

The Cook Counseling Center consists of a multidisciplinary staff and all services are provided under the direction of licensed, credentialed and experienced mental health professionals and support staff. Confidentiality is an essential aspect of the counseling relationship between Cook Counseling Center staff and students. Confidentiality in the counseling relationship is protected by ethical principles and under legislative code in the Commonwealth of Virginia; information shared in counseling may only be released with the written permission of the student.

Through the provision of mental health services, the Cook Counseling Center provides opportunities for students to learn more about themselves as individuals, form deeper relationships with their peers, and grow to benefit our community and society-at-large. Cook staff members are aware of and respect cultural, individual, and role differences, including those based on age, gender, gender identity, race, ethnicity, culture, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender expression, disability, language, and socioeconomic status and consider these factors when working with students.

The Cook Counseling Center services are covered by payment of the student health fee. An appointment can be made by calling (540) 231-6557 or stopping by the office located in 2475 Oak Lane.

Cook Counseling Center | 540-231-6557 | ucc.vt.edu (http://ucc.vt.edu) | counseling@vt.edu

Cultural and Community Centers

As a department within Student Affairs, Cultural and Community Centers' programs, policies, and personnel create the conditions for underrepresented student success and to develop the cultural competence of every Virginia Tech student. We achieve this mission through advocacy, advising, and awareness.

Cultural and Community Centers hosts six centers, all located in the Squires Student Center. Students of every culture are encouraged to visit the centers and engage in conversation. The centers are:

- · American Indian and Indigenous Community Center (AIICC)
- Asian Cultural Engagement Center
- · Black Cultural Center
- El Centro Hispanic/Latino Center
- Intercultural Engagement Center
- LGBTQ+ Resource Center

Cultural and Community Centers' hosts a Community Kick-Off each fall to welcome students, faculty, and staff in identity-based communities, history and heritage months, and cultural achievement ceremonies each spring.

In addition, our team is available to provide informal advising to any student or student organization that feels they might fit within the scope of our mission.

Through programs and events, Cultural and Community Centers increases awareness of underrepresented students' experiences and develops opportunities to gain cultural competence for every Virginia Tech Student.

Cultural and Community Centers | 540-231-8584 | ccc.vt.edu (http:// ccc.vt.edu) | vtccc@vt.edu

Dean of Students Office

The Dean of Students office serves as advocates for students and their support networks in times of personal, academic, and community crisis.

We know that life doesn't stop while students are in college. When life throws challenges in students' way, we're here to help them create plans, connect to resources, and gain the confidence to get back on track. We work with students, families, friends, and faculty. We're a friendly, caring team ready to listen and assist. We welcome referrals, appointments, and walk-ins.

A member of the Dean's Staff is on-call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., call the Dean of Students office at 540-231-3787. After hours, the on-call staff member from Dean's Staff may be reached by calling the Virginia Tech Police at 540-231-6411, press 1.

Dean of Students | 540-231-3787 | dos.vt.edu (http://dos.vt.edu) | dean.students@vt.edu

First-Year Experiences

Virginia Tech's signature first-year experience (FYE@VT) initiative includes courses specific for first time first-year and transfer students. Uniquely housed in the academic unit, and each uniquely consistent with the strategic direction, mission, and culture of that unit; these courses support students in their academic transition to college by introducing them to their chosen discipline/major, faculty in their major, and available resources on campus.

The courses are anchored by four foundational Cornerstones:

- Academic transition introduce the discipline, the practice of learning from experience, and the resources for successful academic transition to Virginia Tech;
- Holistic education integrate experiences inside and outside of the classroom for a meaningful, holistic student experience;
- · Integrity develop academic and personal integrity; and
- **Community** foster a connection to the discipline and to Virginia Tech.

FYE@VT offers students integrated academic and social opportunities designed to promote the complex thinking and ethical abilities necessary for success in a global community. These opportunities enable students to investigate the world around them, resulting in a stronger sense of self, values, community and potential. FYE@VT leverages five essential

practices for transitioning students to learn skills necessary to be successful in the discipline.

- Effective Teaching & Learning FYE@VT courses are intentionally designed to use research-based learning experiences to foster student engagement and to support the development and success of first-year students.
- Virginia Tech Principles of Community FYE@VT courses introduce students to and are conducted in the spirit of the Virginia Tech Principles of Community and Ut Prosim (That I May Serve).
- Mentorship & Engagement FYE@VT courses demonstrate diverse ways of reinforcing an engaged campus through connecting students to curricular, social, co-curricular and cultural enrichment opportunities.
- Digital & Information Literacies FYE@VT courses help students create connections with University Libraries to enhance their ability to discover, create, reflect, evaluate, and communicate knowledge to diverse audiences.
- Undergraduate Academic Integrity FYE@VT courses support individual understanding and the ability to adhere to the principles of academic integrity when using and/or creating information in accordance with the Virginia Tech Honor Code and professional norms of their field.

A description of each program with contact information can be found at http://www.fye.vt.edu.

Global Travel Insurance & Emergency Assistance

Under University Policy 1070, http://www.policies.vt.edu/1070.pdf, all Virginia Tech students participating in university supported global travel are required to carry international medical and emergency assistance insurance. To meet this requirement, the university has contracted with an insurance provider CISI.

Some of the benefits of the Cultural Insurance Services International (CISI) policy include:

- · Security & Natural Disaster Evacuation
- Repatriation
- Emergency Medical expenses, medical evacuation, & medical reunion

Those traveling internationally in a group for a formal education and study abroad program should refer to the Virginia Tech Global Education website at https://www.globaleducation.vt.edu for insurance requirements.

Those traveling internationally on Virginia Tech business, not in a study abroad program, should refer to Virginia Tech Risk Management website at http://risk.controller.vt.edu/vi/international.html.

Honor Code and Honor System

The Honor Code is the university policy which defines the expected standards of conduct in academic affairs. The Virginia Tech Honor Code embodies a spirit of mutual trust and intellectual honesty that is central to the very nature of the university and represents the highest possible expression of shared values among the members of the university community.

The fundamental beliefs underlying and reflected in the Honor Code are: that trust in a person is a positive force in making that person

worthy of trust, that every student has the right to live in an academic environment that is free from the injustices caused by any form of intellectual dishonesty, and that the honesty and integrity of all members of the university community contribute to its quest for truth.

The functions of the Honor System are to communicate the meaning and importance of intellectual honesty to all students of the university; to articulate and support the interest of the community in maintaining the highest standards of conduct in academic affairs; and to identify, sanction, and educate those who fail to live up to the stated expectation of the university community with regard to these standards. (Please see the "Academics (https://catalog.vt.edu/undergraduate/academicpolicies/)" section of this catalog for details relating to the Honor Code and System.)

Information Technology

The Division of Information Technology (it.vt.edu (http://it.vt.edu)) supports the university's computing and communications needs by providing integrated networks for data and voice communications, and services to meet Virginia Tech's instructional technology, enterprise-scale administrative processing, software procurement and support, research computing, and IT support needs. The 4help.vt.edu (http://4help.vt.edu) portal is the starting point for IT support, connecting users with direct support as well as to guides on specific tools and services.

The data network provides rapid access to cloud services, email, class materials, library databases, and the internet for every resident in university housing. Wireless access (WiFi) is available in all academic and administrative spaces across campus, as well as in many outdoor spaces. WiFi facilitates mobility across the campus and, in conjunction with the university computer requirement for hardware and software, is essential to improve the effectiveness of teaching and learning.

Virginia Tech is committed to using information technology to enhance teaching and learning and works to ensure that members of our teaching faculty have the ability to use information technology effectively. We provide continuing opportunities to learn about and incorporate both established and emerging technologies to enhance learning outcomes for students through the services provided at tlos.vt.edu (http://tlos.vt.edu). The division supports learning through our learning management system, online course evaluations, accessibility and professional development training, and support for videoconferencing and recorded media. The required undergraduate student software bundle and other instructionrelated software are offered at favorable pricing to students.

Direct IT support is provided to students through the 24x7 help resource, 4Help (4help.vt.edu (http://4help.vt.edu)). Classes and tutorials on software and many other skills are available on demand through LinkedIn Learning (linkedinlearning.vt.edu (http://linkedinlearning.vt.edu)). Computer labs offer additional options for collaboration and for access to highly specialized software. Each student is provided an email account and access to online tools from Google and Microsoft.

OneCampus (onecampus.vt.edu (http://onecampus.vt.edu)) provides secure access to personal information, including course materials, individual contact information, and billing and account information. On all platforms, security is overseen by the IT Security Office, and is protected through strong password, access, and identity management protocols, which are incorporated into the development of new applications.

Information Technology facilitates undergraduate, graduate, and faculty research through high performance computing, machine learning,

acquisition of specialized research software, and collaborative research, as well as through ongoing professional development support.

For more on the Division of Information Technology, visit our website at it.vt.edu (http://it.vt.edu).

Living and Dining On-Campus Housing and Residence Life

Virginia Tech's Housing and Residence Life operates 47 on-campus residence halls housing more than 9,300 residents. Our goal is to provide inclusive communities, foster a culture of learning, offer safe, clean, well-maintained living environments, and provide exceptional service.

A residence hall is more than just a place to sleep. The on-campus experience is enriched by the initiatives and engagement of our resident student staff and our professional and para-professional staff who live in the residence halls. We have three faculty principals living within residential colleges and many other faculty involved in the residential colleges and other living-learning communities.

To support such a dynamic environment, HRL has a complete facilities operation that includes maintenance, housekeeping, lock shop, renovations, fire and safety compliance, and warehousing. Occupancy management oversees assignments and contracting, resident communications, and general services.

All first-year students live on campus unless they fall into one of the following categories: those living with parents or other close relatives, those who are married and living with their spouses, veterans of at least six months of military service, or those who are at least 21 years old. Written requests for exceptions to this policy should be directed to Housing and Residence Life in 144 New Hall West, (0428).

Campus housing is also available, but not guaranteed, for other students. Transfer and graduate/professional students may request housing through an online wait list. A lottery-style housing application process is held each spring to allocate residential space to returning undergraduate students who wish to live on campus.

Housing and Residence Life | 540-231-6205 | housing.vt.edu (http://www.housing.vt.edu) | housing@vt.edu

Virginia Tech Off-Campus Housing

Virginia Tech Off-Campus Housing (VTOCH) provides students with resources, programs, and services to assist with their off-campus housing needs including a comprehensive searchable online database. a wonderful resource to begin. VTOCH maintains information on local apartments, realtors, transportation, and issues affecting renters today. VTOCH hosts two housing fairs each year so students can get up close and personal with rental options and roommate fairs so students can make connections with others to share living expenses.On the VTOCH website, users can find detailed information about people looking for or offering housing, ways to research housing options, roommates, furniture for sale, or ride requests. VTOCH also provides detailed information about apartment and realty companies in the Blacksburg area.

Twice each year, in the fall and in the spring, VTOCH hosts the Virginia Tech Off-Campus Housing Fair, where students, faculty, staff, and community members are able to interact with local property managers to view options for the following academic year. Additionally, other important housing-related companies will be in attendance, so guests can have conversations about their rights and responsibilities as tenants, renters insurance, utilities, and town relations. If you plan to move offcampus or just wants to see what your options are, plan to attend this once-a-semester free event.

Virginia Tech Off-Campus Housing | 540-231-3466 | www.campuslife.vt.edu/vtoch/ (http://www.campuslife.vt.edu/vtoch/) | vtoch@vt.edu

Dining Services

Virginia Tech has built a reputation for outstanding dining. Our dining program remains at the leading edge of national trends and maintains a tradition of award-winning events, programs, venues, and service. Students report high overall satisfaction and appreciate the variety of dining options available on campus. Recent customer comments such as "I brag about our food service to my friends and family" illustrate that Virginia Tech students share our pride in the dining program. Extensive online information on nutrition, special diets, and food allergies helps students plan their eating.

With more than 19,000 dining plan holders, Dining Services serves approximately 7.5 million meals per year, with total on-campus sales of \$65 million annually.

Numerous dining options are available for both on-campus and offcampus students, as well as for faculty, staff, and campus visitors. All on-campus residents choose an individual Major, Mega, or Premium Flex Plan. Off-campus students may select one of six individual dining plans or participate in the Dining Dollars program. More than 11,000 off-campus students opt to have a dining plan each year.

Dining at Virginia Tech is anything but traditional. The award-winning dining program specializes in preparing diverse menus in innovative, exciting venues:

- · Au Bon Pain operates dining venues in three campus locations.
 - Au Bon Pain in the Squires Food Court at Squires Student Center serves distinctive bakery items, upscale sandwiches, and signature soups.
 - Au Bon Pain at the Graduate Life Center serves many of the same bakery and sandwich options, as well as grab-n-go items, as the cafe in Squires Student Center. This location serves students living and studying in the Graduate Life Center.
 - Au Bon Pain at Goodwin Hall offers students on the academic side of campus a dining option that serves many of the same items as the location in Squires Student Center.
- **Burger '37** in the Squires Food Court at Squires Student Center offers gourmet beef, turkey, and vegetarian burgers, hand-cut fries, and classic shakes.
- D2 at Dietrick Hall takes traditional dining to the next level by combining all-you-care-to-eat dining with the variety of an international marketplace and includes a shop dedicated to glutenfree, vegetarian, and vegan specialties.
- **Deet's Place** at Dietrick Hall is a gourmet coffee, ice cream, and pastry shop, complete with award-winning coffee beans roasted in-house.
- **DXpress** at Dietrick Hall is perfect for a quick snack on the run, such as biscuits, burgers, and pizza by the slice, and is open until 2:00a.m. for late-night options.
- Hokie Grill & Co. at Owens Hall features national brands Chick-fil-A, Pizza Hut, and Dunkin' Donuts, in addition to Blue Ridge Barbecue, grab-n-go sandwiches, snacks, salad, and fruit bar.
- Owens Food Court at Owens Hall consists of 12 specialty shops serving international and American favorites, including carved-toorder meats, a soup and salad bar, burgers, pastas, Philly cheese

steaks, tacos, and a venue that serves exclusively local, organic, or sustainably produced foods.

- Turner Place at Lavery Hall offers a variety of convenient options to the academic side of campus. It houses franchises for Jamba Juice, Bruegger's Bagels, and Qdoba Mexican Grill alongside five upscale original venues serving sushi, crepes, gelato, teppanyaki, southern steakhouse fare, sourdough pizza, custom salads, and much more.
- Vet Med Cafe at the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine on Duck Pond Drive and offers breakfast and lunch, Monday through Friday. Breakfast features breakfast bagel sandwiches and hot oatmeal, and lunch offers a daily chef special as well as grilled fish tacos and more.
- West End Market at Cochrane Hall features wood oven-baked pizzas, wraps, grilled steaks, seafood, homemade pastas, made-from-scratch soups, freshly baked pastries and breads, and more - all prepared right before your eyes.

Dining Services | 540-231-3933 | www.dining.vt.edu (http:// www.dining.vt.edu) | dining@vt.edu

Location

The main campus is located in Blacksburg, Virginia, about 38 miles southwest of Roanoke, Virginia. To reach the campus from Interstate 81, take Exit 118-B (Christiansburg) onto U.S. Rt. 460 West. To reach the Visitor and Undergraduate Admissions Center, continue on U.S. 460 for 8.5 miles to the Prices Fork Road exit for "Downtown." Turn right at the first traffic light on Prices Fork Road and then take an immediate right and up the drive to the center.

Detailed Directions to Virginia Tech and Campus Map (https://vt.edu/maps.html)

Multicultural Academic Opportunities Program

The Multicultural Academic Opportunities Program (MAOP), founded in 1993 is an academic success community founded upon the principles of self-efficacy, mentoring, and peer support. Central to the goal of MAOP is the promotion of diversification within the student body of Virginia Tech. Through partnerships with various academic colleges and departments at Virginia Tech, other colleges and universities, governmental entities, and various organizations, MAOP participants are supported with academic guidance, social and emotional support, and financial support.

The MAOP community is open to all students who demonstrate a clear commitment to the pursuit of academic excellence and are interested in the promotion of diversity in an ever global community. MAOP provides opportunities for both undergraduate and graduate students through scholarships, tuition/assistantship support, academic workshops, and undergraduate research opportunities.

Web: http://www.maop.vt.edu Phone: (540) 231-5023

Parking Regulations

All vehicles, including motorcycles and scooters, parked on the Virginia Tech campus must be registered with the Parking Services Office and must display a university parking permit. Yearly, semester, summer, and daily parking permits are available and an appropriate fee is charged for each permit. Visitors are required to display a visitor permit, which is available at the Virginia Tech Visitor Information Center. For more information about parking or to request a parking regulations handbook, visit www.parking.vt.edu (http://www.parking.vt.edu) or call (540) 231-3200.

Alternative Transportation

The Alternative Transportation Program offers several options for commuter students to get to class without the hassles of parking permits and searching for parking spaces through the Commuter Alternatives Program (CAP).

CAP has two programs to fit your commuting needs.

- Carpool Program: Carpooling saves you money on parking and gas, and it's the closest thing you can get to **reserved parking** on campus.
- BB&W is available to commuter students who use alternative transportation methods as their primary means of commuting to campus. Examples include riding the Blacksburg Transit or SmartWay buses, bicycling, and walking. By registering for BB&W, you will receive 15 half price daily parking passes per semester.

Bicycles can be registered for free through Parking Services at www.parking.vt.edu (http://www.parking.vt.edu).

For more information about commuter alternatives visit www.tcs.vt.edu/ alternative (http://www.tcs.vt.edu/alternative/) or call (540) 231-0248.

ROTC Program

The Reserve Officer Training Corps Programs conducted at Virginia Tech are available to cadets and are offered by the Army, Navy/Marine Corps, and the Air Force. All students participating in ROTC are required to be members of the Corps of Cadets. Details about courses offered, as well as available scholarships and stipends, can be found in the department listings under the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences; ROTC (Army), ROTC (Navy/Marine Corps), and ROTC (Air Force). Upon successful graduation from Virginia Tech and completion of the ROTC program, the student is commissioned as an officer in either an active or reserve component of the Armed Forces. The total ROTC credits applied toward degree requirements varies by major and ranges from four to 24. All credits count as free electives. Consult your course advisor for information on ROTC credits, which may be used within your major.

Students interested in additional details should contact the professor of military science for Army ROTC, the professor of naval science for Naval/ Marine Corps ROTC, or the professor of aerospace studies for the Air Force ROTC program.

General Rules Governing the Cadet Lifestyle

All Virginia Tech students are eligible to join the Corps of Cadets and participate in the cadet lifestyle. Cadet student status is a prerequisite for participation in any of the ROTC programs. Students desiring to be a cadet, but not in ROTC are enrolled in the Citizen-Leader Track, also known as the VPI Battalion. VPI Battalion cadets live in the same cadet dorms, wear the same uniforms, and hold the same leadership positions, but go into private and public sector careers upon graduation.

Physical Standards: The Department of Defense has prescribed physical standards for formal enrollment in the ROTC programs. Cadets not physically qualified for an ROTC program may remain in cadet status as members of the Corps of Cadets but must maintain minimum physical standards for the Citizen-Leader Track.

Cadet Regulations: Cadets are expected to adhere to the Cadet Honor Code and abide by all cadet regulations, directives, policies, and procedures of the Corps, as well as the rules governing civilian students.

The following summary gives the prospective cadet an understanding of the nature of his or her obligation as a cadet:

- Cadet officers and non-commissioned officers are responsible to university authorities for the cadets under their supervision and are given the authority to discharge their responsibilities.
- Cadet residence halls are coeducational with controlled visiting
 privileges for non-residents and mandatory quiet study periods.
- · Alcoholic beverages are prohibited in the cadet residence halls.
- Cadets are required to wear the cadet uniform to classes and cadet functions.
- Cadets are required to live in a designated cadet residence hall unless married and living with a spouse.
- Second-semester freshmen and upperclassmen in the corps may request a change to civilian status at any time. First-semester new cadets may not leave the corps and change to civilian status without penalty until the last day to drop a class (after six weeks of class). All students are encouraged to make status changes (from cadet to civilian lifestyle or vice versa) in conjunction with the beginning or end of an academic semester.

See Academics (https://catalog.vt.edu/undergraduate/academicpolicies/) section for details on the ROTC course credits that apply toward degrees.

For Additional Information:

Commandant of Cadets

Lane Hall, Room 141 280 Alumni Mall Virginia Tech Blacksburg, VA 24061 (540) 231-6413 corps@vt.edu

Air Force ROTC

Military Building, Room 228 320 Stanger Street Virginia Tech Blacksburg, VA 24061 (540) 231-6404 usaf@vt.edu

Army ROTC

Military Building, Room 228 320 Stanger Street Virginia Tech Blacksburg, VA 24061 (540) 231-6401 rotc@vt.edu

Naval/Marine Corps ROTC

121 Lane Hall, Room 241 280 Alumni Mall Virginia Tech Blacksburg, VA 24061 (540) 231-7883 usnavy@vt.edu

Services for Students with Disabilities

Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) serves students who have or think they may have disabilities. The department receives and reviews all student requests for reasonable accommodations, or modifications and adjustments based on disability status, to University programs including academic programs, housing, study abroad, and campus life. SSD partners with Student Affairs and campus stakeholders to ensure students with disabilities are connected to resources necessary for equal participation and access in University programs. SSD also provides academic coaching, peer mentoring services, and a scholarship for students with disabilities. Students who think they may have a disability are encouraged to contact SSD to learn more about eligibility requirements and referrals for further inquiry. Whether it's a question about sign-language interpretation, reasonable accommodations, or obtaining an emotional support animal, SSD is available to help students transition to and actively participate in University life. Contact us by phone, email, or stop by and visit us in the office.

Services for Students with Disabilities Lavery Hall, Suite 310 430 Old Turner St Blacksburg, VA 24061

ssd@vt.edu 540-231-3788

ADA and University Policy

In compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and with the ADA Amendments Act of 2008, Virginia Tech is committed to ensuring that all qualified students with disabilities have the opportunity to pursue a postsecondary education without barriers to instruction and services. Under Policy Memorandum 178 and university Policy 4075, the university has given authority to Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) to interpret disability documentation, determine the existence of a disability, and determine appropriate accommodations in this university setting. Academic accommodations, as determined by SSD, serve to "level the playing field" by removing barriers between students with disabilities and students who do not have a documented disability.

Student Affairs

Student Affairs at Virginia Tech is committed to the growth, development, and achievement of students at Virginia Tech. This organization works closely with academic colleagues to support students as they learn to be successful and effective leaders in the emerging global community. The mission of the Student Affairs is to promote student learning, life skills, and personal growth through a strong focus on holistic student development and collaborative partnerships that deliver superior service to, and care for, students in the spirit of Ut Prosim.

We want students to have an exceptional college experience at Virginia Tech, and our excellent academic programs are a great start. Recognizing that learning happens both in and out of the classroom, Student Affairs facilitates experiences and offers resources students need to graduate as successful, educated, and reflective individuals. Through Student Affairs programs, events, and services, students can hone their skills as responsible leaders, discover and pursue promising careers, develop habits for healthy and fulfilling lives, and make a tangible, positive impact on the communities to which they belong. Student Affairs | http://www.students.vt.edu/ | 540-231-6272 | studentaffairs@vt.edu

Aspirations for Student Learning

Our philosophy is grounded in the Aspirations for Student Learning. The five Aspirations for Student Learning are our best hopes for and expectations of our students. Embracing these Aspirations helps Virginia Tech students find and define themselves through intentional reflection on all they are learning.

- Commit to unwavering curiosity
 Virginia Tech students will be inspired to lead lives of curiosity, embracing a lifelong commitment to intellectual development.
- Pursue **self-understanding** and **integrity** Virginia Tech students will form a set of affirmative values and develop the self-understanding to integrate these values into their decision-making.
- Practice civility
 Virginia Tech students will understand and commit to civility as a way of life in their interactions with others.
- Prepare for a life of courageous leadership
 Virginia Tech students will be courageous leaders who serve as change agents and make the world more humane and just.
- Embrace **Ut Prosim** as a way of life Virginia Tech students will enrich their lives through service to others.

ExperienceVT

Student Affairs helps students explore, practice, and live the Aspirations for Student Learning by offering opportunities they might pursue while at Virginia Tech—from internships, career fairs, and engagement in student organizations, to intramural sports, leadership development, and everything in between. Your engagement with activities outside the classroom will make you an accomplished, marketable, and self-aware community citizen, exhibiting transferable skills valued by employers. By attending events and programs, taking part in clubs and organizations, reflecting on your experiences, and tracking your progress, Virginia Tech students can capture the pivotal moments in their lives as Hokies.

This complete list of Student Affairs departments with direct links is available online at students.vt.edu (http://www.students.vt.edu).

- Advancement
- · Assessment and Professional Development
- Communications
- Cook Counseling Center
- Corps of Cadets
- · Cranwell International Center
- Cultural and Community Centers
- · Dean of Students
- Dining Services
- Family Relations
- Finance
- Fraternity and Sorority Life
- Hokie Wellness
- · Housing and Residence Life
- Human Resources
- Information Technology
- Learning Partnerships

- New Student and Family Programs
- Recreational Sports
- Schiffert Health Center
- · Services for Students with Disabilities
- Student Conduct
- Student Engagement and Campus Life
- VT Engage

A detailed statement of the rights and responsibilities of students is contained in the University Policies for Student Life.

Student Engagement and Campus Life

Through Student Engagement and Campus Life, you can get involved with student organizations, arts, events and recreation, and student employment. This department, within the Division of Student Affairs, uplifts the#student experience by cultivating affirming environments, promoting holistic well-being, and providing#exceptional#services.

Student Engagement and Campus Life operates the three student centers on campus, as well as the War Memorial Chapel, Owens Ballroom, Breakzone recreation center, and the Perspective Art Gallery. The department also facilitates a number of campus services like Virginia Tech Off-Campus Housing, venue reservations and production services, , a US Passport Office, and more.

The administrative offices are located on the second floor of Squires Student Center in room 225. The office is open from 8a.m. to 5p.m. Monday through Friday. Please contact us for any information regarding Student Engagement and Campus Life.

Student Engagement and Campus Life | 540-231-5431 | campuslife.vt.edu (http://www.campuslife.vt.edu) | campuslife@vt.edu

Campus Events: From large scale events and concerts to small group workshops and gatherings, Student Engagement and Campus Life is dedicated to helping students explore their interests and meet friends through its robust experience offerings. Visit gobblerconnect.vt.edu/ events (http://gobblerconnect.vt.edu/events/) to see what's happening today at Virginia Tech.

Event Services facilitates and enhances programming for the Virginia Tech community by assisting and consulting in the campus reservation processes featured on-campus. The Event Services Office fosters an educational environment that provides student organization members and departmental representatives with venue reservations, event scheduling, information on liability and risk management issues, standard procedure and protocol, and referrals to Production Services.

Event Services 221 Squires Student Center Phone: (540) 231-5005 E-mail: eventservices@vt.edu Web: <u>campuslife.vt.edu/eventservices (http://www.campuslife.vt.edu/eventservices/)</u>

The Squires Information Desk is staffed with knowledgeable student employees who are ready to answer questions about your student centers, student activities, the university, and the surrounding community. The information desk also operates the campus Lost and Found.

The Squires Information Desk 1st floor Squires lobby Phone: (540) 231-6906 Web: (Lost and Found): campuslife.v2.crowdfind.com/public/#/squires/ items/ (https://campuslife.v2.crowdfind.com/public/#/squires/items/)

The Perspective Gallery presents art exhibitions by diverse artists working in a variety of media and styles. Visitors can view work of student, local and regional artists, nationally recognized artists, and artisans from around the world. Receptions and special events allow the public to meet and talk with the artists. Perspective Gallery is located on the second floor of Squires Student Center. Admission is always free. You can also enjoy works in the permanent collection, located throughout the public areas in Squires and Johnston Student Centers and the Graduate Life Center.

Perspective Gallery 2nd floor Squires Student Center Phone: (540) 231-4053 Web: campuslife.vt.edu/perspectivegallery/ (http:// www.campuslife.vt.edu/perspectivegallery/)

Production Services provides sound and lighting support, campus. We are equipped to deliver professional quality support to events.

Production Services 128 Squires Student Center Phone: (540) 231-3499 Web: campuslife.vt.edu/productionservices (https://campuslife.vt.edu/ secl_services/Production_Services.html)

The Student Engagement and Campus Life Ticket Office is the major online ticket distribution center for events other than athletics at Virginia Tech and Center for the Arts at Virginia Tech events. The office supports ticket sales for theatrical and musical performances, concerts, lectures, and movies.

Student Engagement and Campus Life Ticket Office Phone: (540) 231-5615 or 800-843-0332 Web: campuslife.vt.edu/tickets (http://www.campuslife.vt.edu/tickets/)

Virginia Tech Off-Campus Housing (VTOCH), provides students with resources and support to assist with their off-campus housing needs including a comprehensive searchable online database. VTOCH maintains information on local apartments, realtors, transportation, and issues affecting renters today. The office hosts two housing fairs each year so students can meet and ask questions of local property managers.

Virginia Tech Off-Campus Housing E-mail: vtoch@vt.edu Web: offcampus.vt.edu (http://offcampus.vt.edu/)

The Squires US Passport Office is a certified U.S. Department of State as a Passport Acceptance Facility located in Blacksburg, VA, on Virginia Tech's campus. Our site offers the products and services needed for a first-time passport and renewal passport applications. Visit us on the first floor of Squires Student Center. Our services are offered for both the Virginia Tech community and the public.

Squires US Passport Office Squires Student Center, 1st Floor E-mail: seclpassports@vt.edu Web: campuslife.vt.edu/passports (http://campuslife.vt.edu/passports/)

The War Memorial Chapel stands prominently at the end of the Drillfield. It is the only Chapel on campus and provides a nondenominational place of solitude and meditation for all. It is host to religious services, weddings, baptisms, prayer vigils, memorial services, initiations, military commissioning, music recitals, student vocal and ministry groups, concerts, lectures, individual prayer and meditation, and bible study.

War Memorial Chapel Phone: (540) 231-6240

Student Clubs and Organizations/GobblerConnect

Student Organizations: There are more than 800 registered student organizations at Virginia Tech. spanning a wide variety of academic and special interests. All Virginia Tech students are encouraged to find an organization that matches their interests and passions. By using GobblerConnect (gobblerconnect.vt.edu (http:// www.undergradcatalog.registrar.vt.edu/1617/gobblerconnect.vt.edu)), you can search student organizations to find your community on campus.

Gobblerfest, Gobblerfair, and GobblerMarket: Students have several opportunities to meet campus student organizations in-person at our series of involvement fairs throughout the year. Gobblerfest kicks off the year on the Drillfield during Welcome Week; Gobblerfair is an indoor winter fair, and GobblerMarkets pop up throughout the year for a more indepth, cozy environment.

The Source is the one-stop-shop for all student organizations! In The Source (located in the Breakzone) student organization members can work on a variety of DIY projects like painted banners, balloon arrangements, and buttons and stickers to promote your organization. Our space is available to student organization members on a first come, first-serve basis for committee meetings or to ask our informed staff about student organization best practices and resources.

Students who aren't quite sure where to start can lean on The Source's Engagement Ambassadors who would love to talk through the possibilities. Simply submit an involvement questionnaire (https://gobblerconnect.vt.edu/submitter/form/start/487016/) about your interests and goals and they'll connect you with opportunities and discuss the process for getting involved in a student organization or other experiences.

The Source | thesource@vt.edu | campuslife.vt.edu/thesource (https:// campuslife.vt.edu/Student_Orgs/the_source.html) | Social Media: @thesourcevt

Student Centers

Squires (located off Alumni Mall) and Johnston Student Centers (located behind Burruss Hall) are hubs of activity for the university community. They serve as formal and informal meeting places for students, student organizations, and the larger university community. Facilities include meeting rooms, conference rooms, a ballroom, and theaters. Plenty of comfortable space welcomes students. Many departments call Squires Student Center home. We house the Intercultural Engagement Center, New Student and Family Programs, the music department, student media, student organization offices, VetZone, a non-denominational meditation space, and numerous cultural and community centers. Students, faculty, staff, and guests are free to use Squires or Johnston to meet with friends, study, attend activities and events, or just hang out.

Squires Student Center Information Desk | 1st Floor Squires Lobby | (540) 231-6906

Johnston Student Center Information Desk | 2nd Floor Johnston | (540) 231-5266

The Graduate Life Center at Donaldson Brown (located on Otey Street, across from Squires) is an innovative living-learning facility that supports

Virginia Tech's goals for graduate education. The GLC features plenty of study space, a coffee shop, an auditorium, and a multipurpose conference room.

GLC Information Desk | 1st floor GLC lobby | 540- 231-0413

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War Memorial Chapel | 540-231-6240

Event Planning 221 Squires Student Center Phone: (540) 231-5005 E-mail: eventplanning@vt.edu Web: www.campuslife.vt.edu/eventplanning/index.html (http:// www.campuslife.vt.edu/eventplanning/)

Recreation

Breakzone is the place to go to relieve the stress of classes and tests. Breakzone sponsors competitive leagues, weekly bingo and trivia nights, and open play in a variety of activities. An expanded line-up includes pool tables, bowling lanes, table tennis, foosball, and video games. Students, faculty, staff, and guests can enjoy testing their skills while relaxing with friends in an upbeat environment.

Breakzone

117 Squires Student Center Phone: (540) 231-4476 Web: <u>campuslife.vt.edu/breakzone (http://www.campuslife.vt.edu/ breakzone%20/)</u>

Student Employment

Student Engagement and Campus Life offers students the opportunity to work in a team-oriented environment. We take pride in our customer experience and welcome students interested in helping us execute our mission. Our student employees are treated and valued as key members of our team, and we are committed to their development and advancement through leadership and career skills training.

Student Employment 225 Squires Student Center Phone: (540) 231-5431 Web: campuslife.vt.edu/studentemployment (http:// www.campuslife.vt.edu/employment/students/)

Student Health Services and Insurance University Student Health Services

University Student Health Services provides general ambulatory health care to students throughout the year. Students who have paid their health fee (included as part of the university's comprehensive fee) and submitted a health history form are eligible for services. A team of physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, certified college health nurses, and licensed practical nurses manages most common illnesses and injuries. X-ray, laboratory, and pharmacy services are available on site.

Student Health History

Each student entering Virginia Tech must furnish a health history form, completed by a home physician, for the University Student Health Services. The form will be available online to applicants who accept the offer of admission. Failure to meet Health Services standards may result in dismissal from the university. Information is available at www.healthcenter.vt.edu (http://www.healthcenter.vt.edu).

Student Medical Insurance Coverage

The university has contracted with a health insurance carrier to offer group health coverage for full-time students at Virginia Tech. For details on coverage and specific benefits, please contact the Student Medical Insurance office at 540/ 231-6226 or visit http://risk.controller.vt.edu/ studentmedicalinsurance.html.

Health insurance is mandatory for international students with F-1 or J-1 visas and all Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine and College of Veterinary Medicine students. All students with a mandatory insurance requirement must purchase the university-sponsored plan or another health insurance plan meeting or exceeding the University outlined minimum coverage levels. Students should review their insurance policies and complete the online waiver form found at http:// risk.controller.vt.edu/studentmedicalinsurance.html. Once the student submits the waiver form, the university will review the documentation to determine if the insurance coverage meets the outlined minimum requirements.

Global Travel Insurance & Emergency Assistance

Under University Policy 1070, http://www.policies.vt.edu/1070.pdf, all Virginia Tech students participating in university supported global travel are required to carry international medical and emergency assistance insurance. To meet this requirement, the university has contracted with an insurance provider CISI.

Some of the benefits of the Cultural Insurance Services International (CISI) policy include:

- Security & Natural Disaster Evacuation
- Repatriation
- · Emergency Medical expenses, medical evacuation, & medical reunion

Those traveling internationally in a group for a formal education and study abroad program should refer to the Virginia Tech Global Education website at https://www.globaleducation.vt.edu for insurance requirements.

Those traveling internationally on Virginia Tech business, not in a study abroad program, should refer to Virginia Tech Risk Management website at http://risk.controller.vt.edu/vi/international.html.

University at a Glance

Dedicated to its motto, Ut Prosim (That I May Serve), Virginia Tech pushes the boundaries of knowledge by taking a hands-on, transdisciplinary approach to preparing scholars to be leaders and problem-solvers.

A comprehensive land-grant institution that enhances the quality of life in Virginia and throughout the world, Virginia Tech is an inclusive community dedicated to knowledge, discovery, and creativity. Virginia Tech offers the widest range of degree choices in Virginia to more than 37,000 undergraduate, graduate, and professional students on all its campuses.

Virginia Tech has a significant presence across Virginia, including numerous Extension offices and research centers. In Northern Virginia, the university is developing a 1 million-square-foot Innovation Campus that will become a global center of talent production and technology excellence. In Roanoke, the Fralin Biomedical Research Institute at VTC and the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine are a part of the emerging Health Sciences and Technology Campus. The main campus is in Blacksburg, Virginia, while the university's international presence is anchored by the Steger Center for International Scholarship in Riva San Vitale, Switzerland. Other sites are in Newport News, Richmond, and Abingdon.

Offering more than 280 undergraduate and graduate degree programs, Virginia Tech has eight undergraduate colleges, a school of medicine, a veterinary medicine college, Graduate School, and Honors College. Inside and outside of the classroom, in living-learning communities, and in its Corps of Cadets, and in collaboration across academic disciplines, Virginia Tech students engage in experiential learning.

In Virginia Tech's transdisciplinary communities called Destination Areas, scholars seek to address complex global challenges that cross traditional academic boundaries. Taking students to the next level by helping them solve real-world problems, Tech professors have a reputation for imagining the next great thing from self-driving cars to energy-conscious homes and then making it happen.

A leading global research institution, Virginia Tech conducts more than \$550 million in research each year (the FY20 total was \$556 million). The university boasts world-class research institutes and facilities such as the Smart Road transportation research testbed, and the Cube, a fourstory theater and laboratory in the Center for the Arts at Virginia Tech. The Link + License + Launch team, a one-stop shop for industry partners from discovery to market, is dedicated to streamlining all aspects of corporate partnerships, from research collaborations to corporate giving to technology commercialization and startups.

Guided by its Principles of Community, the university is dedicated to increasing access, inclusion, and diversity in order to create a community that nurtures learning and growth for all of its members.

The desire to serve is deeply ingrained in Virginia Tech's learning, discovery, and engagement. More than a motto, Ut Prosim is a value system that guides students' decisions and helps mold them into responsible citizens of the world.

University Exemplary Departments

University Exemplary Department Awards recognize the work of departments that maintain, through collaborative efforts of dedicated colleagues, exemplary teaching and learning environments for students and faculty.

University Facilities

Virginia Tech has more than 235 campus buildings, research laboratories, an airport, a 2,600-acre main campus in Blacksburg, a 1,800-acre research farm in Montgomery County, and facilities across the commonwealth.

Among the university's major facilities in Blacksburg are: Carol M. Newman Library, with more than 2.3 million volumes; the Center for the Arts at Virginia Tech, home of the Center for the Arts at Virginia Tech professional presenting program; The Inn at Virginia Tech and Skelton Conference Center, which offers conference space and 147 hotel rooms and suites; Cassell Coliseum (seating 10,000); and Lane Stadium (seating more than 66,000). Adjacent to campus is the Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center, which employs more than 3,000 and offers businesses the opportunity to establish close working relationships with the university.

Major facilities outside of Blacksburg include the Innovation Campus in Northern Virginia, now under development; the Steger Center for International Scholarship and Architecture in Switzerland; the Virginia Tech Northern Virginia Center in Falls Church; the Hotel Roanoke & Conference Center; public radio station WVTF, which covers a large part of Virginia; the Marion duPont Scott Equine Medical Center in Leesburg; Virginia Tech Research Center - Arlington; the Washington-Alexandria Center of the College of Architecture and Urban Studies; the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine and Fralin Biomedical Research Institute in Roanoke; Tech Center Research Park in Newport News, Virginia; 11 agricultural experiment stations; and six 4-H centers.

University Libraries

A member of the prestigious Association of Research Libraries, the University Libraries consist of the Carol M. Newman Library and three branches: Art and Architecture, Veterinary Medicine, and the Northern Virginia Resource Center located in Falls Church, Virginia. Their online services are available 24/7.

The libraries offer services and resources to support students in their work every step of the way. From visiting the information services desk on the second floor for help with a research project, to using our 3D printing studio (http://designstudio.lib.vt.edu/) for course projects, to simply using our spaces for quiet our collaborative work, students can find numerous resources at the libraries.

Newman Library is home to many hands-on spaces that allow experiential learning, such as Fusion Studio (http:// fusionstudio.lib.vt.edu/) for longer term collaborative projects. Students can also seek help with writing papers and other projects at the English department's Writing Center, or assistance preparing for presentations at the communication department's CommLab, both on the second floor. Other library studios include Media Design (https://www.mediastudio.lib.vt.edu), Data Visualization (https:// www.dtatvizstudio.lib.vt.edu), Data Transformation (https:// www.dtstudio.lib.vt.edu), and Virtual Environments (https:// www.virtualstudio.lib.vt.edu). The Libraries' Digital Humanities and Social Sciences program – Athenaeum (https://www.lib.vt.edu/spaces/ athenaeum.html) provides support to courses and research projects in these disciplinary areas.

Help can be found on our homepage (https://lib.vt.edu/), and many resources, including our Ask A Librarian chat (http://www.lib.vt.edu/ help/ask.html), online collections, and subject research guides (http:// guides.lib.vt.edu/), can be used from anywhere on or off campus, without stepping foot in our buildings.

In each of the libraries, there is a Circulation/Reference desk staffed by people who can help you locate and use resources. Each college and academic department also has a librarian who is a subject expert (http://www.lib.vt.edu/instruct/clprg.html) and can help you find relevant research, suggest journals, or point you in the direction of resources for your area of study.

Special Collections, located on the first floor of Newman Library, houses major research collections including the Archives of American Aerospace

Exploration, the International Archive of Women in Architecture, Railroad Archives, the Culinary History Collection, and many items from the Civil War.

For users with disabilities, there is a Special Services Room in Newman Library equipped with adaptive software and hardware.

For additional information, check out www.lib.vt.edu (http:// www.lib.vt.edu), come walk through our spaces, or stop by one of the help desks.

Veterans Services

The Office of Veterans Services is the primary resource for Virginia Tech veterans and their dependents. The Office of Veterans Services works closely with The Student Success Center to ensure veterans, military students and dependents are connected to the resources necessary for a successful transition to and through their course of study at Virginia Tech. In collaboration with The Student Success Center, students served by the Office of Veterans Services have access to tutoring, mentoring, assistance navigating the VA system, and the Veterans@VT student organization. Staff work closely with the School Certifying Officials in the Registrar's Office (https:// nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F %2Fwww.registrar.vt.edu%2Fveteran.html&data=05%7C02%7Cdagreen %40vt.edu%7C26bd10b8753a4c0f092408ddb811298f %7C6095688410ad40fa863d4f32c1e3a37a %7C0%7C0%7C638869106026956948%7CUnknown %7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIIYiOilwLjAuMDAwMCIsIIAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIIdUIjoyfQ %3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C %7C&sdata=0bLjWLm7p70UANZLuxMrW2%2BmZXiWhXTgNInTmGF %2BSIg%3D&reserved=0) (VAcerts@vt.edu) to facilitate the use of military-connected student educational benefits.

220 Gilbert Place, Suite 2100 Blacksburg, VA 24061 Phone: (540) 231-5815 E-mail: veteran@vt.edu Web: www.veterans.vt.edu (http://www.veterans.vt.edu)