EACH year, nearly 1,000 transfer students enroll at Virginia Tech, and approximately 50% are from Virginia’s two-year colleges. We welcome transfer students from the Virginia Community College System (VCCS), Richard Bland College (RBC), and other accredited two- and four-year institutions.

The following information is to help you transfer to Virginia Tech with little or no time or credit lost. Virginia Tech is dedicated to providing transfer students with a quality education that builds upon prior academic experience, rather than duplicating it.

GENERAL TRANSFER INFORMATION

You are considered to be a transfer student if you have attempted 12 or more credit hours at another college or university since graduating from high school. Most applicants have completed at least one semester of full-time college work and are currently enrolled on a full-time basis. Students who have previously been denied admission to Virginia Tech should plan on completing at least one full academic year at another institution prior to the term for which they intend to transfer.

Recent or prospective high school graduates who have earned college credit through dual enrollment but have not yet attempted 12 or more credit hours at a college or university beyond high school graduation should apply using the Application for Freshman Admission.

To be a competitive applicant, the most important factors considered for admission are:

- The completion or substantial completion of prerequisite courses including two semesters of English, two semesters of lab science, and two semesters of math appropriate to the major.
- The quality of the applicant’s academic program.
- Overall grade point average (GPA). Most competitive applicants will present a GPA of 3.0 or better. In majors where applications exceed available space, such as architecture, industrial design, interior design, and landscape architecture, the competitive GPA will be significantly higher (3.7 or better).

Application deadlines are as follows:

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* Virginia Tech will enroll a very limited number of new students in the spring semester due to having only minimal space available. As a general guideline, we encourage students not to apply for the spring semester as long as there are classes available for them to take at their current college or university that could still move them forward toward their degree at Virginia Tech.

TRANSFER EQUIVALENCY DATABASE (TED)

In an attempt to assist students with course selection, a database containing all course equivalencies from colleges and universities already evaluated by the registrar are listed. You can search the database for course equivalencies at www.registrar.vt.edu/tranguide/index.html. You’ll also be able to find VCCS course recommendations, listed by Virginia Tech major, so you can tailor your current program to better fit your future Virginia Tech curriculum. Information regarding articulation agreements and guaranteed admission can also be found on this website.

TRANSFER CREDIT EVALUATION

Undoubtedly, when choosing the right university, transfer students must take into account how many of their hard-earned credits will transfer with them. In an attempt to assist students with this decision, Virginia Tech now provides an online Transfer Credit Evaluation. Once offered admission to Virginia Tech, transfer students can visit the Transfer Credit Evaluation site to see which of their previous and current courses will transfer to Virginia Tech.
You are considered to be a transfer applicant if you have attempted 12 or more credit hours at another college or university any time following graduation from high school.

**TRANSFERFING FROM THE VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM?**

If you are transferring from the Virginia Community College System, please visit [www.registrar.vt.edu/tranguide/2008/bymajor/index.html](http://www.registrar.vt.edu/tranguide/2008/bymajor/index.html). This site contains course recommendations for each undergraduate degree program at Virginia Tech. The lists are alphabetical by major and include recommendations for study during the first year or two years preceding transfer. Virginia Tech course numbers are listed in one column and Virginia community college equivalents are listed in another.

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**TRANSFERFING FROM A FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTION OR NON-VIRGINIA TWO-YEAR COLLEGE?**

If you are attempting, or have attempted, 12 or more credit hours at another college or university (including a community college that is not in the Commonwealth of Virginia) any time following graduation from high school, please take the following steps to ensure that the courses you are taking, or have already taken, will count towards your intended major at Virginia Tech.

1. Visit [www.registrar.vt.edu/tranguide/2008/bymajor/index.html](http://www.registrar.vt.edu/tranguide/2008/bymajor/index.html) and select the Virginia Tech major that interests you. (This information will be found in the right column)

2. Take note of the course recommendations for the Virginia Tech major that interests you.

3. Next, visit [https://banweb.banner.vt.edu/ssb/prod/hzsktgid.P_DispTranGuide](https://banweb.banner.vt.edu/ssb/prod/hzsktgid.P_DispTranGuide). (You may want to open this website in a new window so that you can easily toggle between the two websites. The goal is to search for what courses are required for your intended major at Virginia Tech from the website listed in #1 and to learn what equivalents are offered at the college or university in which you are currently enrolled from the website listed in #3.)

4. From the website listed in #3, select the college or university in which you are currently enrolled.

5. Finally, use the website listed in #3 to search the courses that are offered at the college or university in which you are currently enrolled. Here, you can determine which courses will transfer into your intended major at Virginia Tech. Please contact the Office of Undergraduate Admissions should you have questions about which courses you should take.

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**STUDENT LIFE**

Virginia Tech has over 600 registered student organizations. There is truly something for everyone, with more than 150 academic organizations and a wide variety of non-academic clubs. Academic organizations include groups for specific majors as well as honor societies. Non-academic organizations include a wide range of athletic clubs and teams, cadet organizations, student media and government organizations, and clubs related to the arts, religion, service, and many more. Contact Student Activities at 540/231-5725, or [www.uusa.vt.edu](http://www.uusa.vt.edu).

**HOUSING**

Transfer students may request on-campus housing. Housing is granted to transfer students on a limited, first come, first serve basis. For more information, contact the Office of Student Programs at 540/231-6204, housing@vt.edu, or [www.studentprograms.vt.edu/housing](http://www.studentprograms.vt.edu/housing).

Transfers are not required to live on campus. There are no campus apartments for married students or students with families. Blacksburg and the surrounding areas offer ample off-campus housing options. For assistance in finding off-campus housing, contact the Virginia Tech Off-Campus Housing Office at 540/231-3466, vtoch@vt.edu, or [www.vtoch.uusa.vt.edu](http://www.vtoch.uusa.vt.edu).

**Contact Us**

If you have questions about admission to Virginia Tech, please contact:

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Web: www.vt.edu

For more information about credit transfer, please contact:

Office of the University Registrar
250 Student Services Building
Blacksburg, VA 24061
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E-mail: registrar@vt.edu
Web: www.registrar.vt.edu

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