GENERAL INFORMATION

| Full Name of Institution | Virginia Tech (VT) OR Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
| | *Note: VTech and Virginia Tech University should not be used.

**What’s a Hokie? We are.**
At Virginia Tech, we’re reimagining how education and technology intersect. This approach transforms the ways we teach and learn, perform research, and engage with communities around the world. Read more about the origins of the term “Hokie” [here](#).

| Location | Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA 24060 U.S.A.

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| | Main University Website: [www.vt.edu](http://www.vt.edu)
| | Global Education Office - International Exchange: [www.globaleducation.vt.edu](http://www.globaleducation.vt.edu)
| | About the town of Blacksburg: [www.blacksburg.gov](http://www.blacksburg.gov)

| Semester/Term Dates | Fall 2022: August 22– December 14, 2022
| | Mandatory Exchange Orientation week will commence August 15-19, 2022.
| | We recommend students arrive the weekend of August 13-14, 2022
| | Spring 2023: January 17 – May 10, 2023
| | We recommend students arrive the weekend of January 7-8, 2023
| | Academic Calendar: [registrar.vt.edu/dates-deadlines/academic-calendar.html](http://registrar.vt.edu/dates-deadlines/academic-calendar.html)

| Assessment Dates | Course exams occur in the final week of the semester in which they are taught. The term dates above include the final exam week. |
### Application Process

| Nomination Open Dates (Partners will be contacted with link request) | For Fall 2022 and Academic Year: January 15  
For Spring 2023: July 1 |
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| Nomination Deadline / Student Application Opens | For Fall 2022/Academic Year Admission: March 1  
For Spring 2023 Admission: September 1 |
| Application Deadline (Students complete and submit directly) | For Fall 2022 and Academic Year Admission: April 1  
For Spring 2023 Admission: October 1 |
| Information Available Online | Detailed information regarding the application process is available at:  
https://www.globaleducation.vt.edu/Students0/Inbound-Exchange.html |
| Materials to Submit with Application | 1. Exchange Application and short essay  
2. Student provided copy of transcripts translated into English  
3. Photocopy of passport information page (must have 6 months valid past last day of stay in USA)  
4. Proof of English proficiency (if not native English speaker or non-English taught university)  
5. List of 5-10 VT courses students propose to enroll in (see below for detail)  
6. Provide financial supporting documents (see below for detail)  
7. US green card or permanent residence status (if applicable)  
8. Notification from home school if student has been recruited to participate in sport sanctioned by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) |
| Materials to Submit Post Decision | 1. Immunization Requirements  
2. Voluntary Health Disclosure |
| Link to Course Catalog | Undergraduate: [www.undergradcatalog.registrar.vt.edu](http://www.undergradcatalog.registrar.vt.edu)  
Graduate: [https://secure.graduateschool.vt.edu/graduate_catalog/](https://secure.graduateschool.vt.edu/graduate_catalog/) |
| After course review with an academic adviser, students will enroll for classes using an online course enrollment system known as HokieSPA. Courses can be found at: [https://apps.es.vt.edu/ssb/HZSKVTSC.P_DispRequest](https://apps.es.vt.edu/ssb/HZSKVTSC.P_DispRequest) |
| Minimum Number of Credits Required | Students are expected to participate in full-time enrollment totaling at a minimum of 12 non-virtual / in person credits or at least 4 courses per a semester. Modifications to this standard may apply. |
| English Proficiency | Students who are native English speakers or who attend a university where English is the language of instruction are exempt from English placement exams. Graduate students must qualify using the ELTS or TOEFL requirements only. |
| Applicants must meet one of the following: | |
| Undergraduate Students | Graduate Students |
| IELTS: 6.5 with no subscore below 6.5  
TOEFL: iBT 80 with no subscore below 16; CBT 233; PBT 550  
Cambridge First Certificate C1  
DAAD GER B2 level  
Duolingo 105 | IELTS: 6.5 with no subscore below 6.5  
TOEFL: iBT 90 with no subscore below 20 |
## Financial Support

Bank statement details to declare either personal funds that include the student’s name or private sponsor funds such as parents, family, or friends, who will verify the student can access these funds as needed. Further instructions will be given once the student is nominated.

## Visa Requirements

Information regarding visa requirements can be found at [https://j1visa.state.gov/](https://j1visa.state.gov/). Information regarding the visa application and required documentation will be provided to students after their official VT acceptance has been confirmed.

## ACCOMMODATION & INSURANCE

### Accommodation Information

Information regarding both on campus and off campus accommodation:

- On campus: [https://housing.vt.edu/](https://housing.vt.edu/)
  
  On Campus Room and Meals Rates: [www.housing.vt.edu/contracts/rates/html](http://www.housing.vt.edu/contracts/rates/html)

- Off campus: [https://offcampus.vt.edu/](https://offcampus.vt.edu/)

PLEASE NOTE: Virginia Tech CANNOT guarantee on-campus accommodation to all exchange students; students must be prepared to live off-campus if necessary.

### Cost of Living

Students must consider the cost of accommodation, food, study materials (textbooks etc.), local travel and other general living expenses. Personal expenditure will vary from student to student. On average, students should plan $600 - $1500 per month for expenses.

### Travel Insurance

It is advised to take-out adequate travel insurance to cover your journey, including coverage for medical expenses and personal possessions.

### Healthcare

It is mandatory for all exchange students to purchase healthcare that meets the requirements set by Virginia Tech.

A medical insurance form listing the requirements and instructions for affirming healthcare coverage for your time at Virginia Tech can be found here:

[https://risk.controller.vt.edu/studentmedicalinsurance.html](https://risk.controller.vt.edu/studentmedicalinsurance.html)

### University Health Facilities

- Schiffert Health Center: [www.healthcenter.vt.edu](http://www.healthcenter.vt.edu)

- Schiffert Health Center - Women’s Clinic: [www.healthcenter.vt.edu/ourservices/womens_clinic.html](http://www.healthcenter.vt.edu/ourservices/womens_clinic.html)

- Cook Counseling Center: [www.ucc.vt.edu](http://www.ucc.vt.edu)
## GETTING TO BLACKSBURG

| Closest Airport          | Roanoke, Virginia  
|--------------------------|---------------------
| Distance from Washington DC to Roanoke, VA | Flight: Approximately 1 hour and 10 minutes (United Airlines)  
|                          | Train: Approximately 5 hours and 10 minutes (Amtrak)  
|                          | Bus: Approximately 7 hours (Virginia Breeze/Megabus)  
| Airport Pick-up Service? | The Global Education Office offers free airport pickup from the Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport at the start of each semester. This service will be offered to students once applications are completed and the exchange is confirmed. |

We look forward to welcoming you at Virginia Tech.

If you have questions regarding the inbound exchange process, please contact the Global Education Office at vtabroad@vt.edu or (540) 231-5888.

Virginia Tech is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer. Women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and protected veterans are strongly encouraged to apply. Anyone having questions concerning discrimination or accessibility should contact the Office for Equity and Accessibility.