



Transfer Pathways to VCU (2016-17) Rappahannock Community College (RCC)

Virginia Commonwealth University welcomes applications from Rappahannock Community College students. VCU encourages students to participate in the Guaranteed Admission Agreement (GAA) that VCU has established with the Virginia Community College System. Students who complete a General Education Certificate and/or a transfer-oriented Associates degree, with a minimum GPA of 2.5, with no grades below a C in all transferable courses, are guaranteed general admission to VCU.

Admission into the following baccalaureate programs at VCU is **NOT** guaranteed by the GAA:

- All baccalaureate degree programs in the School of Allied Health Professions;
- All baccalaureate degree programs in the School of the Arts;
- All baccalaureate degree programs in the School of Engineering;
- Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene;
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing

More information about our transfer agreements, including the Guaranteed Admission Agreement, is located at: <http://www.ugrad.vcu.edu/apply/transfer/agreements.html>. Students planning on transferring to VCU under the Guaranteed Admission Agreement must sign the "Letter of Interest" after completing 15 credits and more than 90 days before completing a transfer-oriented Associates degree.

<http://ugrad.vcu.edu/apply/transfer/letter-of-interest.aspx>

By carefully selecting an appropriate degree program at RCC and completing certain required courses for that degree program, students can fulfill the introductory-level requirements of the first one or two years for most baccalaureate degree programs at VCU. The following pages provide specific course recommendations for students enrolled in those degree programs that correspond to the RCC curricular requirements for those degrees.

1. General Education Certificate (see page 3):

This pathway is appropriate for all students who wish to transfer to VCU in less than two years. This is particularly appropriate for undecided students or prospective art students. Although the Certificate is appropriate for prospective art students at VCU, it does not guarantee admission into the School of the Arts. Prospective art students should review admission requirements at:

<http://arts.vcu.edu/admissions/how-to-apply/>

2. Associate of Arts and Science Transfer Degree (see page 4-5):

This pathway is appropriate for prospective majors in African-American Studies, Anthropology, Criminal-Justice, Economics (Humanities & Science), English, Foreign Language (French, German, Spanish), History, Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, International Studies, Liberal Studies for Early and Elementary Education, Mass Communications, Philosophy, Political Science, Religious Studies, Urban and Regional Studies, and Gender, Sexuality & Women's Studies.

3. Associate of Arts and Science Transfer Degree – Science (see pages 6-7):

This pathway is appropriate for students who plan on transferring to the following majors at VCU: Bioinformatics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Studies, Forensic Science, Mathematical Sciences, Physics, and Interdisciplinary Science. This degree program is also suitable for students interested in Pre-dentistry, Pre-medicine, Pre-pharmacy, or Pre-physical Therapy (following the recommendations for Biology majors). However, students should refer to the health program's website for information concerning admission prerequisites and adjust the course selection accordingly. **NOTE: Completing the associate degree does not guarantee acceptance into these health programs.**

*Students interested in Exercise Science are eligible for the Guaranteed Admission Agreement but should complete the recommended courses listed in this section. The A.A.&S. in Science is the most suitable associate degree.

4. Associate of Arts and Science Transfer Degree-Business Administration Specialization (see page 8):

This pathway is appropriate for prospective majors in Accounting, Business Administration and Management, Economics (Business), Finance, Financial Technology, Human Resource Management, Information Systems, Marketing, or Real Estate.

5. Associate of Arts and Science Transfer Degree-Pre-Engineering Specialization (page 9):

This pathway is also appropriate for prospective majors in Biomedical Engineering, Chemical and Life Science Engineering, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering

6. Associate of Arts and Science Transfer Degree-Psychology/Social Work Specialization (see page 10):

This pathway is appropriate for prospective majors in Psychology, Social Work, and Sociology.

7. Recommended courses for the VCU Health Science Programs (see pages 11-16):

For students interested in applying for one of the following Health Science programs at VCU: Clinical Laboratory Sciences, Dental Hygiene, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, and Radiation Science. Students should refer to the health program's website for information concerning admission prerequisites and adjust the course selection accordingly. **NOTE: Completing an associate degree does not guarantee acceptance into these health programs.**

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General Education Certificate Rappahannock Community College

<https://www.rappahannock.edu/catalog/academic-programs/degrees-and-certificates/gec>

The General Education Certificate is designed for students who wish to transfer to VCU within a short period of time. By completing the Certificate with a minimum GPA of 2.5, with no grades below a C, students are guaranteed general admission to VCU.

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for certificate but not transferable)	1
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
MTH ____	MTH 163 (for business, health, science, engineering) or MTH 170 (for other majors)	3
HIS ____	History Elective	3
____ ____	Laboratory Science: BIO 101 or CHM 111 Prospective engineering, health, or science majors should take CHM 111.	4
____ ____	Humanities Elective	3
TOTAL		17
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS ____	History Elective	3
____ ____	Social Science Elective	3
____ ____	Laboratory Science elective	4
____ ____	Humanities Elective	3
TOTAL		16
Total Minimum Credits for General Education Certificate		33

Although the Certificate is appropriate for prospective art students at VCU, it does not guarantee admission into the School of the Arts. Prospective art students should review admission requirements at: <http://arts.vcu.edu/admissions/how-to-apply/>

The following art classes are recommended for prospective visual art students: ART 101-102, 121-122.



**Associate of Arts & Science Transfer Degree
Rappahannock Community College**

<https://www.rappahannock.edu/catalog/academic-programs/degrees-and-certificates/aas/>

The Associate of Arts & Science Transfer Degree is appropriate for prospective majors in African-American Studies, Anthropology, Criminal-Justice, Economics (Humanities & Science), English, Foreign Language (French, German, Spanish), History, Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, International Studies, Liberal Studies for Early and Elementary Education, Mass Communications, Philosophy, Political Science, Religious Studies, Urban and Regional Studies, and Gender, Sexuality & Women’s Studies.

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for degree but not transferable)	1
HIS ____	History Elective	3
MTH ____	MTH 163 or MTH 170	3
____	Laboratory Science	4
____	Social Science	3
TOTAL		17
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS ____	History Elective	3
MTH 240	Statistics	3
____	Laboratory Science	4
____	Humanities/Fine Arts	3
TOTAL		16
ITE 115	Introduction to Computer Applications	3
CST 100	Principles of Public Speaking	3
____	Elective: Foreign Language (101-level) Recommended	4
____	Elective: ENG literature recommended	3
____	Elective	3
TOTAL		16
____	Health/PE	1
____	Social Science Elective	3
____	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
____	Elective: Foreign Language (102-level) Recommended	3
____	Elective	3
TOTAL		13
TOTAL		62

Course recommendations for majors:

All these majors have a foreign language requirement. The minimum requirement can be fulfilled by means of completion of the 102-level of a language or waived if the student completed 3 years of the same foreign language at high school. The following majors require completion of a foreign language through the



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intermediate level (202-level): English, History, Homeland Security, International Studies, and Political Science.

African-American Studies: HIS 141-142

Anthropology: BIO 101, MTH 164 or 166, SOC 210

Criminal Justice: ADJ 100

Economics: ECO 201-202

English: ENG 210

Elementary Education: ECO 120 or ECO 201 and 202, GEO 210, HIS 101, HIS 121, MTH 240, PLS 211

History: Four 100-level history classes

Homeland Security and Political Science: PLS 211 and PLS 241

International Studies: PLS 241

Mass Communications: MTH 240, HIS 121-122

Associate of Arts & Science Transfer Degree - Science Rappahannock Community College

<https://www.rappahannock.edu/catalog/academic-programs/degrees-and-certificates/sss>

This pathway is appropriate for students who plan on transferring to the following majors at VCU: Bioinformatics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Studies, Forensic Science, Mathematical Sciences, Physics, and Interdisciplinary Science. This degree program is also suitable for students interested in Pre-dentistry, Pre-medicine, Pre-pharmacy, or Pre-physical Therapy (following the recommendations for Biology majors). However, students should refer to the health program's website for information concerning admission prerequisites and adjust the course selection accordingly. **NOTE: Completing the associate degree does not guarantee acceptance into these health programs.**

Pre-dentistry: <http://www.dentistry.vcu.edu/programs/dds/admissioncriteria/>

Pre-medicine: <http://bulletin.vcu.edu/undergraduate/undergraduate-study/academic-advising/prehealth-prelaw-advising/preparation-study-medicine/>

Pre-pharmacy: <http://pharmacy.vcu.edu/programs/pharmd/prospective/prereq/>

Pre-physical Therapy: <http://www.sahp.vcu.edu/departments/pt/prospective-students/dpt-professional-degree/admission-requirements/prerequisites/>

Recommended Courses for Exercise Science

Students interested in Exercise Science are eligible for the Guaranteed Admission Agreement but should complete the recommended courses listed in this section. The A.A.&S. in Science is the most suitable associate degree.

English (6 credits)	ENG 111-112
General Biology (4 credits)	BIO 101
Anatomy and Physiology (8 credits)	BIO 231-232
Pre-Calculus or Calculus (3 credits)	MTH 164 OR MTH 173
Statistics (3 credits)	MTH 240
General Chemistry (4 credits)	CHM 111
General Physics (4 credits)	PHY 201
General Psychology (3 credits)	PSY 200
Developmental Psychology (3 credits)	PSY 230

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for degree but not transferable)	1
HIS ____	History Elective	3
MTH 163	Precalculus I	3
____	Laboratory Science: CHM 111	4
____	Social Science	3
TOTAL		17
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS ____	History Elective	3
MTH 164	Precalculus II	3
____	Laboratory Science: CHM 112	4
____	Humanities/Fine Arts	3
TOTAL		16
ITE 115	Introduction to Computer Applications	3
CST 100	Principles of Public Speaking	3
____	Elective: MTH 240 Statistics	3
____	Elective: BIO 101	4
____	Elective: Foreign Language recommended	3
TOTAL		16
____	Health/PE	1
____	Social Science Elective	3
____	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
____	Elective: BIO 102	4
____	Elective: Foreign Language recommended	3
TOTAL		14
TOTAL		63

All these majors have a foreign language requirement. The minimum requirement can be fulfilled by means of completion of the 102-level of a language or waived if the student completed 3 years of the same foreign language at high school.



**Associate of Arts & Science: Business Administration
Rappahannock Community College**

<https://www.rappahannock.edu/catalog/academic-programs/degrees-and-certificates/bas/>

The Associate of Arts & Science in Business Administration is designed for students who plan on transferring to the following majors at VCU: Accounting, Business Administration and Management, Finance, Human Resource Management, Economics, Financial Technology, Information Systems, Marketing, or Real Estate.

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
HIS ____	History Elective	3
MTH 163	Precalculus I (Financial Technology majors should complete MTH 173)	3
____	Science with Lab	4
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for degree but not transferable)	1
TOTAL		14
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS ____	History Elective	3
MTH 270	Intro to Calculus (Financial Technology majors should complete MTH 174)	3
____	Science with Lab	4
ITE 115	Introduction to Computer Applications	3
TOTAL		16
ACC 211	Principles of Accounting I	4
ECO 201	Principles of Economics I – Macroeconomics	3
CST 100	Principles of Public Speaking	3
____	Humanities Elective	3
____	PLS Elective	3
TOTAL		16
ACC 212	Principles of Accounting II	4
ECO 202	Principles of Economics II – Microeconomics	3
____	Humanities Elective	3
____	Elective	3
____	Health/PE	1
TOTAL		14
TOTAL		60

**Associate of Arts & Science: Pre-Engineering
 Rappahannock Community College**

<https://www.rappahannock.edu/catalog/academic-programs/degrees-and-certificates/pes>

This pathway is appropriate for prospective majors in Biomedical Engineering, Chemical and Life Science Engineering, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering. **NOTE: Completing the associate degree does NOT guarantee acceptance into these engineering programs.**

ENG 111	College Composition I	3
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for degree but not transferable)	1
CHM 111	College Chemistry I	4
MTH 163	Precalculus I	3
HIS ____	History Elective	3
TOTAL		14
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
____	Elective: CHM 112 College Chemistry II	4
MTH 164	Precalculus II	3
____	Social Science Elective	3
____	Humanities Elective	3
____	Health/PE	1
TOTAL		17
PHY 201	General College Physics I NOTE: Engineering and Physics require University Physics (PHY 231 or PHY 241)	4
MTH 173	Calculus I	5
CST 100	Principles of Public Speaking	3
____	Elective: BIO 101	4
TOTAL		16
PHY 202	General College Physics II NOTE: Engineering and Physics require University Physics (PHY 232 or PHY 242)	4
MTH 174	Calculus II	5
____	Humanities Elective	3
____	Social Science Elective	3
TOTAL		15
TOTAL		61

**Associate of Arts & Science Transfer Degree: Psychology/Social Work
Rappahannock Community College**

<https://www.rappahannock.edu/catalog/academic-programs/degrees-and-certificates/psw>

The Associate of Arts & Science Transfer Degree in Psychology/Social Work is appropriate for prospective majors in Psychology, Social Work, and Sociology.

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for degree but not transferable)	1
HIS ____	History Elective	3
MTH ____	MTH 163 or MTH 170	3
BIO 101	General Biology I	4
PSY 200	Introduction to Psychology	3
	TOTAL	17
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS ____	History Elective	3
MTH 240	Statistics	3
____	Natural Science	4
____	Humanities Elective	3
	TOTAL	17
PSY 230	Developmental Psychology	3
SOC 200	Principles of Sociology	3
ITE 115	Introduction to Computer Applications	3
CST 100	Principles of Public Speaking	3
____	Elective	3
	TOTAL	15
SOC 210	Physical and Cultural Anthropology	3
____	Elective	3
____	Humanities Elective	3
____	Elective	3
____	Health/PE	1
	TOTAL	13
	TOTAL	61

Both these majors have a foreign language requirement. The minimum requirement can be fulfilled by means of completion of the 102-level of a language. Psychology will waive the language requirement if the student completed 3 years of the same foreign language at high school. Social Work requires completion of a foreign language.

Recommended Courses for the Health Science Programs at VCU Rappahannock Community College

The following recommended courses are for students interested in applying to a Health Science program at VCU. For more information concerning the admission requirements for the health programs, students should consult the admissions websites for the health program. **NOTE: Completing an associate degree does not guarantee acceptance into these health programs.**

Recommended Courses for Clinical Laboratory Science

<http://sahp.vcu.edu/departments/cls/admissions/undergraduate/>

The basic requirements for admission to the **baccalaureate program** are as follows: students with no previous clinical laboratory training must have completed at least **60 semester hours** at an accredited college or university, including;

Biology: 12 hours to include general biology. Human physiology & anatomy recommended: BIO 101-102 and BIO 141-142
Chemistry: 12 hours to include 8 hours of general chemistry. CHM 111-112 and CHM 241 + CHM 245
English: 6 hours of composition. ENG 111-112
Mathematics: 3 hours. Additional mathematics or physics recommended. MTH 164 OR MTH 166
Humanities/Arts: 3 hours (selected from courses in history, philosophy, political science, religion, foreign languages, literature, art history, or art appreciation).
Social Sciences: 3 hours (selected from courses in anthropology, economics, geography, psychology, or sociology).
Electives: 21 hours of transferable electives

Recommended Courses for Dental Hygiene

<http://www.dentistry.vcu.edu/programs/dentalhygiene/admission/>

The basic requirements for admission to the **baccalaureate program** are as follows: students must have completed at least **60 semester hours** at an accredited college or university, including;

English (6 credits)	ENG 111-112
General Biology with laboratory (4 credits)	BIO 101
College Chemistry with laboratory (4 credits)	CHM 111
Human Anatomy and Human Physiology (8 credits)	BIO 141-142 or BIO 231-232
Microbiology (4 credits)	BIO 205
Humanities/Arts: 3 hours (selected from courses in history, philosophy, political science, religion, foreign languages, literature, art history, or art appreciation).	
Introductory Sociology (3 credits)	SOC 200
Introductory Psychology (3 credits)	PSY 200
Speech (3 credits)	CST 100 or CST 110
Statistics (3 credits)	MTH 240
Visual or performing art (3 credits)	ART elective
Electives: 18 credits of transferable electives	

Recommended Courses for Nursing (Traditional B.S. Program)

<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/undergraduate/nursing/nursing-bs-traditional-program/#programadmissionrequirementstext>

Admission Requirements – To be considered for the Traditional BS track, applicants must:

- Be eligible for readmission or be in good standing at the last college attended.
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on all college coursework.
- Have either a minimum SAT of 900 (on the critical thinking and math sections only with neither score below 400) or ACT composite score of 19. Send test scores directly to VCU (SAT code: 5570. ACT code: 4379).

English (6 credits)	ENG 111-112
Psychology (3 credits)	PSY 200
Sociology (3 credits)	SOC 200
General Biology (4 credits)	BIO 101
Anatomy and Physiology (8 credits)	BIO 141-142
Nutrition (3 credits)	DIT 121
Second Laboratory Science (4 credits)	BIO 102, CHM 111, or PHY 201
(4 credits must be college chemistry if applicant did not receive a “C” or better in a high school or developmental chemistry course)	

Recommended Courses for Nursing (R.N. – B.S. Completion Program)

<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/undergraduate/nursing/nursing-bs-rn-bs-completion-program/#programadmissiontext>

Admission Requirements – To be considered for the RN-BS Completion Program, applicants must:

- Be eligible for readmission or be in good standing at the last college attended.
- Be a graduate of an accredited (NLNAC) diploma or associate degree program in nursing.
- Have current unencumbered RN license or an authorization to practice as an RN in Virginia, the District of Columbia or a US possession or territory.
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on all college coursework.

English (6 credits)	ENG 111-112
Psychology (3 credits)	PSY 200
Sociology (3 credits)	SOC 200
Statistics (3 credits)	MTH 240
Anatomy and Physiology (8 credits)	BIO 141-142
Laboratory Science I (4 credits)	BIO 101, CHM 111, or PHY 201
*Second Laboratory Science (4 credits)	BIO 102 or CHM 112, or PHY 201
(4 credits must be college chemistry if applicant did not receive a “C” or better in a high school or developmental chemistry course)	
Developmental Psychology (3 credits)	PSY 230
Microbiology (4 credits)	BIO 205
Nutrition (3 credits)	DIT 121
Philosophy (3 credits)	PHI elective
Humanities Electives (9 credits): selected from courses in history, philosophy, political science, religion, foreign languages, literature, art history, or art appreciation.	

***Lab Sciences should be selected from college biology, chemistry, or physics. Four credits must be college chemistry if applicant did not receive a “C” or better in a high school or developmental chemistry course.” for one of the two lab science requirements.**

Recommended Courses for Occupational Therapy

<http://www.sahp.vcu.edu/departments/occu/programs/entry-level-otd/prerequisite-courses/>

The basic requirements for admission is a minimum of 90 credits of undergraduate study (at least 15 or more credits must be in upper-level courses) or of a B.A. or B.S. degree from an accredited college or university. The 90 credits must include,

English (6 credits)	ENG 111-112
Anatomy and Physiology (8 credits)	BIO 141-142
Statistics (3 credits)	MTH 240
Developmental Psychology (3 credits)	PSY 230
Abnormal Psychology (3 credits)	PSY 215
Other Psychology or Sociology courses (9 credits)	

Recommended Courses for Radiation Science

<http://www.sahp.vcu.edu/departments/radsci/admissions-and-prerequisites/>

The basic requirements for admission to the **baccalaureate program** are as follows:

English (6 credits)	ENG 111-112
Anatomy and Physiology (8 credits)	BIO 141-142
College Algebra (3 credits)	MTH 163
Physics (4 credits)	PHY 100 or 101 or 102 or 111 or 112 or 201
General Psychology (3 credits)	PSY 200
Humanities Elective (3 credits): selected from courses in history, philosophy, political science, religion, foreign languages, literature, art history, or art appreciation.	