

Transfer Pathways to VCU (2016-17) Southside Virginia Community College (SVCC)

Virginia Commonwealth University welcomes applications from Southside Virginia 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 SVCC 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 SVCC 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 in Business Administration (see page 4):

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.

3. Associate of Arts and Science in Education (page 5):

This pathway is appropriate for prospective majors in Liberal Studies for Early and Elementary Education.

4. Associate of Arts and Science in General Studies (see pages 6-7):

This pathway is appropriate for prospective majors in African-American Studies, Anthropology, Criminal-Justice, Economics (Humanities & Science), Mass Communications, Philosophy, Psychology, Religious Studies, Social Work, Sociology, Urban and Regional Studies, and Gender, Sexuality & Women's Studies.

5. Associate of Arts and Science in Liberal Arts (see page 8):

This pathway is appropriate for prospective majors in English, Foreign Language (French, German, Spanish), History, Homeland Security, International Studies, and Political Science.

6. Associate of Arts and Science in Science (see pages 9-10):

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.

7. Recommended courses for the VCU Health Science Programs and Engineering (see page 11-17):

For students interested in applying for Engineering or 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 Southside Virginia Community College

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. 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/>

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for certificate but not transferable)	1
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
MTH 163	Precalculus I	3
HIS 121	U.S. History I	3
— — —	Laboratory Science: BIO 101 or CHM 111 Prospective engineering, health, or science majors should take CHM 111.	4
— — —	Health or PE Elective	1
TOTAL		15
HUM 121	Survey of the Humanities	3
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS 122	U.S. History II	3
PSY 200	Principles of Psychology	3
— — —	Laboratory Science elective Prospective engineering, health, or science majors should take CHM 112.	4
— — —	Health or PE Elective	1
TOTAL		17
Total Minimum Credits for General Education Certificate		32



**Associate of Arts & Science: Business Administration
Southside Virginia Community College**

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
___ ___	History or Social Science Elective	3
MTH 163	Precalculus I	3
___ ___	Science with Lab	4
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for degree but not transferable)	1
___ ___	Health or Physical Education	1
TOTAL		15
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
___ ___	History or Social Science Elective	3
MTH 168	Precalculus II	3
___ ___	Science with Lab	4
___ ___	Elective (PLS recommended)	3
___ ___	Health or Physical Education	1
TOTAL		16
ACC 211	Principles of Accounting I	3
ECO 201	Principles of Economics I - Macroeconomics	3
ENG ___	Literature Elective	3
___ ___	Humanities Elective	3
MTH 273	Calculus I	4
TOTAL		16
ACC 212	Principles of Accounting II	3
ECO 202	Principles of Economics II – Microeconomics	3
ENG ___	Literature Elective	3
___ ___	Humanities Elective	3
ITE 115	Introduction to Computer Applications	3
TOTAL		15
TOTAL		62

Associate of Arts & Science: Education Southside Virginia Community College

The Associate of Arts & Science in Education (K-8) is appropriate for prospective majors in Liberal Studies for Early and Elementary Education. Students who wish to teach Middle or High School should select one of the following majors: Biology, Chemistry, English, Environmental Science, History, Mathematical Sciences, Physics, or Political Science.

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for degree but not transferable)	1
HIS 121	U.S. History I	3
MTH ____	MTH 163	3
BIO 101	General Biology I	4
HLT ____	Health/PE	1
TOTAL		16
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS 122	U.S. History II	3
MTH ____	MTH 241	3
BIO 102	General Biology I	4
____	Elective	3
HLT ____	Health/PE	1
TOTAL		17
HIS 101	Western Civilization I	3
EDU 200	Introduction to Teaching	3
ITE 115	Introduction to Computer Applications	3
CST 100	Principles of Public Speaking	3
____	Humanities Elective	3
TOTAL		15
ENG ____	Literature	3
ECO ____	ECO 201 and 202	3
____	Humanities Elective	3
GEO 210	People and the Land	3
____	Elective: Foreign Language Recommended	3
TOTAL		15
TOTAL		62

This major has a foreign language requirement. This 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: General Studies Southside Virginia Community College

The Associate of Arts & Science in General Studies is appropriate for prospective majors in African-American Studies, Anthropology, Criminal-Justice, Economics (Humanities & Science), Mass Communications, Philosophy, Psychology, Religious Studies, Social Work, Sociology, 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
___ ___	History or Social Science Elective	3
MTH ___	MTH 152 or MTH 163	3
___ ___	Laboratory Science	4
___ ___	Health/PE	1
TOTAL		15
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS ___	History or Social Science Elective	3
MTH ___	MTH 240	3
___ ___	Laboratory Science	4
___ ___	Elective	3
___ ___	Health/PE	1
TOTAL		17
___ ___	Social Science Elective	3
ENG ___	Literature	3
___ ___	Humanities Elective	3
___ ___	Elective: Foreign Language (101-level) Recommended	3
ITE 115	Introduction to Computer Applications	3
TOTAL		15
ENG ___	Literature	3
___ ___	Social Science Elective	3
___ ___	Humanities Elective	3
___ ___	Elective: Foreign Language (102-level) Recommended	3
___ ___	Elective	6
TOTAL		15
TOTAL		62

Course recommendations for majors:

All these majors have a foreign language requirement. This requirement can be fulfilled by means of completion of the 102-level of a language or, with the exception of Social Work, waived if the student completed 3 years of the same foreign language at high school.

African-American Studies: HIS 141-142

Anthropology: BIO 101, MTH 164 or 166



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Criminal Justice: ADJ 100
Economics: MTH 163, ECO 201-202
Mass Communications: HIS 121-122
Psychology: PSY 200 and BIO 101
Social Work: SOC 200, SOC 211, PSY 200, BIO 101
Sociology: SOC 200

Associate of Arts & Science: Liberal Arts Southside Virginia Community College

The Associate of Arts & Science in Liberal Arts is appropriate for prospective majors in English, Foreign Language (French, German, Spanish), History, Homeland Security, International Studies, and Political Science (majors that require, at minimum, the 202-level of a foreign language).

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for degree but not transferable)	1
MTH ____	MTH 151 or MTH 163 (if MTH 151 is selected, you must also complete MTH 152)	3
____	History or Social Science Elective	3
____	Science with Lab	4
____	Health/PE	1
TOTAL		15
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
MTH ____	MTH 240 or MTH 152 (if MTH 151 was taken previously)	3
____	History or Social Science Elective	3
____	Science with Lab	4
____	Elective	3
____	Health/PE	1
TOTAL		17
____	Social Science Elective	3
ENG ____	Literature	3
____	Foreign Language	4
____	Humanities Elective	3
ITE 115	Intro to Computer Application	3
TOTAL		16
ENG ____	Literature	3
____	Social Science Elective	4
____	Foreign Language	3
____	Humanities Elective	3
____	Elective	3
TOTAL		16
TOTAL		64

**Course recommendations for majors:
History: Four 100-level history survey classes
Homeland Security and Political Science: PLS 211**

Associate of Arts & Science: Science Southside Virginia Community College

The Associate of Arts & Science in Science is designed for students who plan on transferring to the following majors at VCU: Bioinformatics, Biology, Chemistry, 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

ENG 111	College Composition I	3
SDV 100	College Success Skills (required for degree but not transferable)	1
___ ___	Laboratory Science I: CHM 111	4
MTH 163	Precalculus I	3
___ ___	History or Social Science Elective	3
___ ___	Health/PE	1
TOTAL		15
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
___ ___	Laboratory Science II: CHM 112	4
MTH 168	Precalculus II	3
HIS ___	History or Social Science Elective	3
___ ___	Elective	3
___ ___	Health/PE	1
TOTAL		17
___ ___	Laboratory Science III: BIO 101	4
MTH 273	Calculus I	4
ENG ___	Literature	3
___ ___	Social Science Elective	3
ITE 115	Intro to Computer Application	3
TOTAL		17
___ ___	Laboratory Science IV: BIO 101	4
MTH ___	MTH 274 (Chemistry, Engineering, Math, Physics) or MTH 240	3-4
___ ___	Humanities Elective	3
___ ___	Social Science Elective	3
ENG ___	Literature	3
TOTAL		16-17
TOTAL		65-66

All these majors have a foreign language requirement. This 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.

Recommended Courses for the Health Science and Engineering Programs at VCU Southside Virginia Community College

The following recommended courses are for students interested in applying to a Health Science or Engineering 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;

<p>Biology: 12 hours to include general biology. Human physiology & anatomy recommended: BIO 101-102 and BIO 141-142</p>
<p>Chemistry: 12 hours to include 8 hours of general chemistry. CHM 111-112 and CHM 241 + CHM 245</p>
<p>English: 6 hours of composition. ENG 111-112</p>
<p>Mathematics: 3 hours. Additional mathematics or physics recommended. MTH 168</p>
<p>Humanities/Arts: 3 hours (selected from courses in history, philosophy, political science, religion, foreign languages, literature, art history, or art appreciation).</p>
<p>Social Sciences: 3 hours (selected from courses in anthropology, economics, geography, psychology, or sociology).</p>
<p>Electives: 21 hours of transferable electives</p>

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.	

Recommended Courses for Engineering

Students interested in Engineering should complete the recommended courses listed in this section. The A.A.&.S. in Science is the most suitable associate's degree. However, completing the degree does not guarantee admission.

English (6 credits)	ENG 111-112
General Biology (4 credits)	BIO 101
Calculus I and II (8 credits)	MTH 273-274
General Chemistry (4 credits)	CHM 111
Social Science (3 credits)	PSY 200, SOC 200, or PLS 211
Humanities Elective (3 credits): selected from courses in history, philosophy, political science, religion, foreign languages, literature, art history, or art appreciation.	