


**GENERAL INFORMATION**

<p><b>Full Name of Institution</b></p>	<p>Virginia Tech (VT) OR Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University *Note: VTech and Virginia Tech University should not be used.</p> <p><b>What's a Hokie? We are.</b> At Virginia Tech, we are reimagining how education and technology intersect. This approach transforms the ways we teach and learn, perform research, and engage with communities around the world.</p>
<p><b>Location</b></p>	<p>Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA 24060 U.S.A.</p> 
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<p><b>Websites</b></p>	<p><b>Maureen Deisinger</b>, Exchange Student Coordinator, <a href="mailto:mdeising@vt.edu">mdeising@vt.edu</a></p> <p>Main University Website Global Education Office - International Exchange About the Town of Blacksburg</p>
<p><b>Semester/Term Dates</b></p>	<p>Fall 2024: August 26 - December 18, 2024 (inclusive of final exams). Exchange Orientation week: August 19-23 2024. Students can arrive the weekend of August 17-18, 2024.</p> <p>Spring 2025: January 21 - May 14, 2025 (inclusive of final exams). Exchange Orientation week: January 13-17, 2025. Students can arrive the weekend of January 11-12, 2025.</p> <p>Academic Calendar 2024 - 2025</p>

## APPLICATION PROCESS

<b>Assessment Dates</b>	Course exams occur in the final week of the semester in which they are taught. The term dates above include the final exam week.				
<b>Nomination Deadline / Student Application Opens</b>	For Fall 2024/Academic Year 2024/2025: March 1 For Spring 2025: September 1				
<b>Application Deadline (Students complete and submit directly)</b>	For Fall 2024 and Academic Year 2024/2025: April 1 For Spring 2025: October 1				
<b>Information and Application Portal</b>	Click here for detailed information regarding the application process.				
<b>Predecision Materials to Submit with Application</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Exchange Application and short essay question</li> <li>2. Student provided copy of transcripts- translated into English</li> <li>3. Photocopy of passport information page (must have 6 months valid past last day of stay in USA)</li> <li>4. Proof of English proficiency (if not native English speaker or non-English taught university)</li> <li>5. List of 5-10 VT courses students propose to enroll in at VT (see below for detail)</li> <li>6. Understanding of financial supporting documents (see below for detail)</li> <li>7. US green card or permanent residence status (if applicable)</li> <li>8. Notification from home school if student has been recruited to participate in varsity sport sanctioned by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)</li> </ol>				
<b>Post Application Decision Materials to Submit</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Immunization Requirements</li> <li>2. Voluntary Health Disclosure</li> <li>3. Proof of valid health insurance coverage</li> </ol>				
<b>Links to Course Catalog</b>	<p>Undergraduate catalog Graduate catalog</p> <p>After transcript course review by an academic adviser, students will be invited to connect with an adviser to enroll for classes prior to arrival using HokieSPA. See class timetable here.</p>				
<b>Minimum Number of Credits Required</b>	Students are expected to participate in full-time enrollment. Undergraduates must enroll in minimum of 12 credits or at least 4 courses per a semester. Graduate students must enroll in 9 credits or 3 courses. Of these, up to three credits (one course) could be virtual and the rest must be in person or hybrid.				
<b>English Proficiency</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>Applicants must meet one of the following:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Undergraduate Students</th> <th>Graduate Students</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>           IELTS: 6.5 with no subscore below 6.5            TOEFL: iBT 80 with no subscore below 16; CBT 233            Cambridge First Certificate C1            Duolingo 115         </td> <td>           IELTS: 6.5 with no subscore below 6.5            TOEFL: iBT 90 with no subscore below 20         </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Undergraduate Students	Graduate Students	IELTS: 6.5 with no subscore below 6.5 TOEFL: iBT 80 with no subscore below 16; CBT 233 Cambridge First Certificate C1 Duolingo 115	IELTS: 6.5 with no subscore below 6.5 TOEFL: iBT 90 with no subscore below 20
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<b>Financial Support</b>	Bank statement details to declare either personal funds that include the student's name or private sponsor funds such 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.
<b>Visa Requirements</b>	Information regarding J1 visa requirements.  The visa application and required documentation will be provided to students after their official VT acceptance has been confirmed.

## ACCOMMODATION & INSURANCE

<b>Accommodation Information</b>	Information regarding both on campus and off campus accommodation: On campus On Campus Room and Meals Rates  Off campus  PLEASE NOTE: While Virginia Tech CANNOT guarantee on-campus accommodation to all exchange students, students can request to live on-campus after they are admitted.
<b>Cost of Living</b>	Students should 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 \$6400 for a one semester of an on campus room which includes a standard dining plan.
<b>Travel Insurance</b>	It is advised to take-out adequate travel insurance to cover your journey, including coverage for medical expenses and personal possessions
<b>Healthcare Insurance</b>	It is mandatory for all exchange students to purchase healthcare that meets the requirements set by Virginia Tech.  VT does have a university approved health insurance provider that students are welcome to use here.  Students can also request to use an alternative provider that includes comparable terms of coverage. The medical insurance form listing the requirements and instructions for affirming healthcare coverage for your time at Virginia Tech can be found here.
<b>University Health and Wellness Services</b>	Schiffert Health Center  Cook Counseling Center  Hokie Wellness

# GETTING TO BLACKSBURG

<b>Closest Airport</b>	Roanoke, Virginia ROA (40 min drive into Blacksburg)
<b>Distance from Washington DC to Roanoke, VA</b>	Flight: Approximately 1 hour and 10 minutes Train: Approximately 5 hours and 10 minutes (Amtrak) Bus: Approximately 7 hours (Virginia Breeze/Megabus)
<b>Airport/Train/Bus Pick-up Option</b>	The Global Education Office offers free airport pickup from the Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport or the VT Squires Student Center 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](mailto: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.



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