



# Richard Bland College

## of WILLIAM & MARY

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### **Richard Bland College Enrollment Up 36%**

The final Fall 2015 enrollment numbers show a stunning 36% increase in students for Richard Bland College of William & Mary. This sets a record at RBC with more than 2,100 students enrolled, and surpasses the strategic plan goal of 2,000 students by 2019. The population of Honor students with 3.5 or higher GPAs increased by 163%.

"At a time when more and more families are seeking the very best value for their higher education dollar, our enrollment numbers indicate that Richard Bland College is a preferred choice for a high quality, affordable education," says President Debbie L. Sydow.

In addition to enrolling the largest freshman class in College history, Richard Bland College also awarded a record-breaking amount of financial aid to its students. For the 2015-16 school year, the College awarded more than \$577,000 in scholarship money, an increase of nearly \$208k from 2014-15.

"Scholarships create opportunities for RBC students to pursue their education without going into debt," says Tyler Hart, Dean of Enrollment. "The RBC Foundation and its many generous donors deserve a lot of credit for stepping up to award more scholarship dollars to more students."

#### **About Richard Bland College**

Richard Bland College of William & Mary is a selective, residential, two-year College that provides a rich learning experience at a reasonable cost for students preparing for transfer to highly ranked colleges and universities. Richard Bland students rate our professors among the best in the region, yet tuition and fees are among the lowest. The College boasts NJCAA intercollegiate athletics, signature programs, and a small and diverse student population of 1,500 on a picturesque 800+acre campus located just south of Richmond, Virginia. [www.rbc.edu](http://www.rbc.edu)