TRANSFER AGREEMENT

VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY
AND
RICHARD BLAND COLLEGE
OF THE COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) and Richard Bland College of The College of William and Mary, recognizing the need to facilitate the transfer of students, resolve to adopt a Guaranteed Admissions Agreement. This purpose may be achieved through the coordination of transfer policies, enhanced advising, and acceptance of equivalent courses. This agreement is in support of the State Policy on Transfer. Virginia Tech agrees that Richard Bland College graduates who have earned at least 45 hours at Richard Bland College will be considered for admission under this agreement.

1. Upon application, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) will provide priority admission of all Richard Bland College graduates with an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree who have earned a minimum grade point average of 3.4 and who have completed all mathematics and science courses appropriate for their intended Virginia Tech major. This agreement does not apply to students seeking admission to the following majors: Architecture, Interior Design, Industrial Design and Landscape Architecture. Also, transfer students cannot be considered for Agriculture (Undecided), Business (Undecided) or University Studies, as these are only available to freshman. Applications must be received by February 15 to be considered for the fall term. There is no guarantee for students applying for the spring term, as this term is on a space available basis only. Simultaneous receipt of an associate degree and high school diploma may result in review of high school credentials to determine admissibility.

2. Students who were previously enrolled at Virginia Tech and transferred back to Richard Bland College to complete the transfer associate degree are not eligible for participation in this guaranteed agreement.

3. Scores achieved through Advanced Placement, IB (International Baccalaureate) and CLEP (College Level Examination Program) will be evaluated and awarded credit at Virginia Tech based on Virginia Tech policies. This credit may not be awarded on an equal basis as credits awarded at Richard Bland College.

4. Richard Bland College graduates may be required to complete additional Virginia Tech lower level prerequisite or requisite courses which are specific to their major.

5. Acceptance in some programs at Virginia Tech is competitive; acceptance into Virginia Tech does not imply admission to these programs without further acceptance by the college or department offering the program. Students participating in this admission agreement should follow all special college and/or departmental application procedures and deadlines, as well as grade point requirements listed in the Virginia Tech catalog for native Virginia Tech students.

6. Students who are not native speakers of English should have completed English 101 and 102 with a “C” or better to be considered for admission.
7. Virginia Tech will waive its application fee for students with demonstrated financial need. An interested student should submit a written request, which includes an explanation of financial hardship to the Virginia Tech Office of Undergraduate Admissions by February 15th prior to the summer or fall term of application.

8. Richard Bland College students transferring to Virginia Tech must meet the language study requirement under the provisions described for all matriculating students.

9. Virginia Tech reserves the right to deny admission to students who have been academically dismissed or suspended or to those convicted of a felony.

10. The faculty and staff of the two institutions will work together to maintain a course-by-course evaluation of all courses listed in the Richard Bland College Catalog. Richard Bland College faculty and advising staff will encourage prospective Virginia Tech transfer students to meet the content of the Virginia Tech liberal education curriculum to the greatest extent possible in preparing for transfer. The Virginia Tech Registrar and academic advisors at Virginia Tech will offer counsel to Richard Bland College students who plan to transfer to Virginia Tech concerning degree requirements and programs of study.

11. Richard Bland College agrees to support this articulation agreement by indicating the relationship in appropriate literature and through its website.

12. This agreement may be amended as needed, for specific program articulation without affecting the currency of the master agreement. All course-by-course transfer guides may be amended as needed.

13. This transfer agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice to the other party of an intention to terminate. Such notice shall be effective only if given 180 days prior to the intended date of termination. Upon termination, this agreement will remain in effect for two additional years to accommodate students currently pursuing the articulated program at Richard Bland College.

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