

**GUARANTEED ADMISSION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN VIRGINIA WESLEYAN COLLEGE
AND RICHARD BLAND COLLEGE
of the College of William and Mary in Virginia**

This Guaranteed Admission Agreement (GAA) is designed to facilitate the transfer of students from Richard Bland College to Virginia Wesleyan College (VWC) for the purpose of entering a Bachelor's Degree program. Richard Bland students who do not meet the terms described herein may still apply and will be considered for admission, although admission is not guaranteed.

SECTION 1: Definitions

"Transfer-oriented associate degrees" refers to Richard Bland College Associate in Art and Associate in Science degrees.

"Accredited institutions" are institutions accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools or similar regional accreditation bodies.

"Richard Bland student" refers to a student who graduates from a transfer-oriented degree program at Richard Bland College with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.50 or higher on a four-point scale and who intends to transfer to VWC.

"GAA Contacts" refers to staff members designated by Richard Bland College and by VWC who work with prospective GAA students.

"Junior standing" refers to students who have completed at least 53 credits.

SECTION 2: Guaranteed Admission

1. Upon receipt of completed VWC application materials, VWC will guarantee admission to GAA students. No distinction will be made by VWC regarding college courses applicable to the transfer-oriented associate degree that are taken through dual enrollment arrangements with high schools.
2. GAA students admitted to VWC will have all transferable academic credits accepted at full value. Credits earned at accredited institutions other than Richard Bland College to satisfy the transfer-oriented associate degree will be treated on an equal basis with credits earned at Richard Bland College. No credit is transferable for work below a grade of C (2.0) or for failing grades earned under a system of evaluation equivalent to the pass/fail concept.
3. GAA students may transfer up to 64 semester hours from any accredited 2-year institutions toward the minimum of 128 semester hours required for a baccalaureate degree from VWC. In addition, credit for courses completed through International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, CLEP, and Armed Services experience will be accepted according to stated policies for acceptance of credit, which can be found in the VWC catalog. A student transferring in 64 credit hours would achieve the 128-credit requirement by taking four semesters (2 years) at the typical VWC course load of 16 credit hours per semester.

SECTION 3: Benefits to Students

1. Completion of the Richard Bland College transfer-oriented associate degree program will guarantee completion of the VWC general studies component of the undergraduate curriculum, with these particular notes:
 - GAA students will be considered to have completed two of the four required writing intensive courses, receiving credit for English 105 and the sophomore Literary Textual Analysis ("T") course. Students will be required to complete the remaining two upper-level writing intensive courses (courses labeled in the schedule with the marker "W"), which may or may not double as courses also satisfying major or other general studies requirements.
 - GAA students will be considered to have completed courses that satisfy at least two of five of VWC Frames of Reference courses labeled with the markers "H," "A," "V," "S" and "L" (for Historical Perspective, Aesthetic Understanding, Ethical Values and Faith Perspectives, Institutional and Cultural Systems, and Laboratory Science, respectively), using transfer courses that match appropriately flagged VWC courses or, when precise matches do not exist, courses whose descriptions most closely align with the objectives described in the catalog for each frame category. Students entering without a course in each of the other three categories will be required to complete one for each of those remaining three frames.
 - GAA students entering without appropriate foreign language proficiency must successfully complete only two semesters of a foreign language.
 - Like all other VWC students, GAA students must complete one Senior Integrative Experience course.
2. VWC will consider Richard Bland College students who enroll at VWC on the same basis as students who entered VWC as freshman for admission to competitive programs, registration, financial aid, scholarships, student housing, parking, and any other opportunities open to students with junior standing.
3. GAA students can access current information on transferring to VWC, including advice on meeting requirements for various majors, by visiting the VWC Admissions Office at www.vwc.edu/admissions/.
4. The application fee usually charged by VWC will be waived, provided all application materials are submitted by July 1 for fall term enrollment, November 15 for spring term enrollment, and May 10 for summer term enrollment.
5. GAA students transferring to VWC will be considered automatically for whichever of the following designated scholarships provides the highest award:
 - Transfer Scholarships require a minimum of 12 transferable credit hours and a 2.5 or higher cumulative GPA; these are renewable until graduation requirements are met at VWC, as long as a 2.5 cumulative GPA is maintained while enrolled full-time.
 - Associate's Scholarships require a 2.5 or higher cumulative GPA and completion of an Associate's Degree; these are renewable until graduation requirements are met at VWC, as long as a 2.5 cumulative GPA is maintained while enrolled full-time.
 - *Phi Theta Kappa* Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 per year will be added to a Transfer or Associate's Scholarship for students with a 3.5 or higher GPA and good standing membership in

PTK; these are renewable along with the other scholarship award until graduation requirements are met at VWC, as long as a 2.5 cumulative GPA is maintained while enrolled full-time.

6. GAA students who are domiciliary residents of the state of Virginia will be eligible to submit an application for the Virginia Tuition Assistance Grant. It is guaranteed for students beginning the academic term in September if they have applied for the grant prior to the July 31 deadline. This grant is in addition to scholarships designated for transfer students.

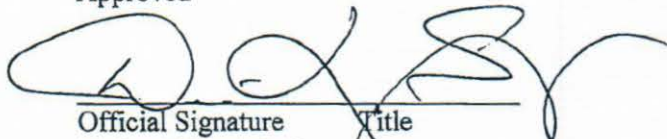
SECTION 4: Responsibilities

1. Richard Bland College will notify students of transfer opportunities to VWC under this GAA by posting the agreement on their website.
2. VWC will provide an online transfer guide (<http://www.vwc.edu/admissions/transfer-students/>) for use by Richard Bland counselors, faculty and students. This guide will be reviewed and updated on a regular basis by VWC.
3. VWC will advise Richard Bland College students who intend to apply for transfer to VWC.

SECTION 5: Review of the Agreement

1. VWC and Richard Bland College will review the GAA every three years to make adjustments as deemed appropriate to maintain its integrity and for the improvement of the transfer process.
2. Any changes, additions, or deletions to this agreement shall be made only after consultation with an agreement among officials at both institutions. Changes will not adversely affect students already enrolled under the provisions of the existing GAA.
3. This Statement of 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.
4. The above provisions are mutually agreed to and shall go into effect when signed by the appropriate institutional representatives. They shall remain in force until superseded by official action by either institution.


Approved



Official Signature _____ Title _____
Richard Bland College
Of the College of William and Mary

4-30-2013

Date



Official Signature _____ Title _____
Virginia Wesleyan College

5-15-13

Date