Virginia Commonwealth University is a public research university located in Richmond, the state capital of Virginia. VCU was founded in 1838 as the medical department of Hampden-Sydney College, becoming the Medical College of Virginia in 1854. In 1968, the General Assembly merged MCV with the Richmond Professional Institute, founded in 1917, to create Virginia Commonwealth University.

Today, more than 30,000 students pursue 196 degree and certificate programs through VCU’s 15 schools and one college. The VCU Health System supports the university’s health care education, research and patient care mission.

With more than $200 million a year in sponsored research funding, VCU is designated as a research university with high research activity by the Carnegie Foundation. Seventeen centers and institutes of excellence — involving faculty from multiple disciplines in public policy, biotechnology and health care discoveries — support the university’s research mission. Twenty-one graduate and first-professional programs are ranked by U.S. News and World Report as among the best in the country.

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Degree Programs
Number at VCU
Unique in Virginia
Baccalaureate 60 17
Master’s 67 33
Doctorate 28 12
First Professional 3 1
Certificate 38 n/a

Largest Programs
Undergraduate
Psychology 1,287
Biology 1,173
Mass Communications 1,077
Nursing 836
English 654
History 557
Forensic Science 429

Graduate
Number of Majors
Social Work 495
Nursing 256
Physical Therapy 252
Business Administration 194
Mass Communications – Advertising 167
Education 154

Degrees Conferred, 2005-06
Baccalaureate 3,129
Master’s 1,437
Doctorate 197
First Professional 388
Certificate 178
Total 5,329

Tuition and Fees
Resident Non-resident
Undergraduate $5,819 $17,616
Graduate 8,341 17,582
Medicine 25,633 39,237
Dentistry (First Year) 21,920 38,548
Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) 18,922 26,005
Room and Board 7,263 7,263

Board of Visitors
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### Enrollments Fall 2006

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### Demographics of Full-time Staff

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### Instructional Faculty

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### Physical Capacity

- The 88.2-acre Monroe Park Campus is located in Richmond’s Fan District, and the 52.4-acre MCV Campus is adjacent to the State Capitol. The university also owns another 431 acres, located in Hanover and Charles City counties.
- VCU occupies 174 buildings. Of the university’s owned buildings, 40 were built prior to 1900, and 53 are designated as historic or lie within a historic district.
- Estimated capital replacement cost: $1.64 billion.
- Residence hall capacity: 4,705 students.

### Assignable Space by Program

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### Impact on Richmond Region

- Salaries, wages and benefits in 2005-06: $402.8 million
- Operating/personnel expenses in 2005-06: $287.9 million
- Direct student loans certified in 2006-07: $138 million
- Value of all research awards in 2005-06: $211.1 million
- Value of major capital projects completed since 1981, currently under way or approved (including construction at the Virginia BioTechnology Research Park): $1.165 billion
- Value of planned major capital projects as part of VCU’s 2020 Master Plan: $912 million
- Annual total spending by students and employees in the City of Richmond: $307 million
- Annual total spending by students and employees in the Richmond Metropolitan statistical area: $276 million
- Annual charitable contributions of students and employees: $48 million
- Employee and student volunteer services: equivalent to 2,700 full-time workers.
- VCU (including affiliates) is the largest employer in the City of Richmond and in the Richmond Metropolitan statistical area.

Sources: An Economic Analysis of Virginia Commonwealth University, Fall 2006, and university student, personnel and financial databases.