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Sponsored Session

3004 - **Transfer Virginia Portal: Your Credits, Your Degree, Your Move**
Partnerships and Collaboration, Leadership and Strategic Planning

Transfer Virginia is a collaborative partnership that embraces the growing need for seamless transfer among the Commonwealth’s institutions. It engages key stakeholders to improve communication, better align academic expectations, develop program maps from community college to university degree completion, streamline transfer agreements, improve guaranteed admission agreements, and develop an online transfer portal that closes the information equity gap for all students. Come learn how Transfer Virginia is creating more efficient, equitable, and relevant opportunities for Virginia’s students through the state Transfer Virginia Portal.

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The Transfer Story is Complicated

Who transfers in Virginia?

- 55% Women
- 45% Students of Color
- 27% 25 years or older
- 41% Family income below $50,000

54% of transfer students earn an Associate of Arts & Science prior to transfer.

13,000+ students transfer each year.

Where do Virginia transfers go?

Virginia Commonwealth University: 2,066
Virginia Tech: 731
University of Richmond: 66
Randolph-Macon College: 22
Virginia Military Institute: 11
Mary Baldwin College: 90
Hampton-Sydney College: 3
Virginia Union University: 11
Virginia State University: 164
Radford University: 715
College of William and Mary: 111
Liberty University: 921
Longwood University: 581
Roanoke College: 42
Sweet Briar College: 10
Hollins University: 19
Jefferson College of Health Sciences: 117
Averett University Non-Traditional: 61
Ferrum College: 29
Christopher Newport University: 120
Bluefield College: 57
Averett University: 61
Old Dominion University: 2,323

2010-2017 2-Year Transfers
Source: http://research.college.edu/appsrr/info/ICFeedbackDefault.aspx
After transferring, students take 3.5 years to complete if full-time – 4.25 years for part-time.

Not all transfer students are 2-yr to 4-yr. Students swirl causing setbacks to degree completion.

Transfer students enroll in 134 college credits – Native students 127... In addition to credits earned for AP, IB, CLEP.

To serve all students, universities must map one degree 24 different ways to align with 2-year colleges.
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Transfer Guides
1 Statewide Transfer Agreement and Guide Template

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Transition to GPAAs!
Statewide TRANSFER GUIDES - student-facing legal document.
Maps completion of both Associates and Bachelor’s degrees.
Leveraging Collaboration to Scale Opportunities

**VCCS DUAL ENROLLMENT TRANSFER GUIDE**
Provides clarity and transparency of Dual Enrollment opportunities to both providers and students.

**REVERSE TRANSFER TOOLKIT**
Working to increase the number of students earning a credential who have “some college no degree.”

**NETWORKING SYSTEM 2000+ STRONG**
60 Institutions of Higher Education + the Virginia Department of Education
Public and Private Transfer Partners
VCCS Transfer Peer Group
K-12 School Counselor Partners
Call to Action Series

**Legislatively Ignited Opportunities**
Legislation directing Virginia’s institutions to “solve transfer” and funding the statewide portal.

**Reverse Policy Engineering**
Created supportive policies founded on reformed practices.
BUILDING A PORTAL TO MEET VIRGINIA’S NEEDS

➢ Home to the comprehensive work completed through Transfer Virginia.
➢ Increase equitable access to higher education through a statewide portal.
➢ Increase awareness of Virginia’s higher education opportunities.
➢ Increase quality time spent serving students and reduce time spent searching webpages for information.
➢ Provide student-friendly language in a way that connects ideas for students.
➢ Reduce messaging in fine print by building transparent and consistent access to transfer information.
Thank you!

Transfer Virginia Portal:  [www.transfervirginia.org](http://www.transfervirginia.org)

Transfer Virginia Public Documents:  [https://tinyurl.com/TransferVA/](https://tinyurl.com/TransferVA/)

Education & Career Compass:  [www.eccompass.com](http://www.eccompass.com)

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