Educational Session

**2800 - Introducing a Statewide Student-Centered Transfer Portal**
Credits and Degree Pathways, Partnerships and Collaboration

The Transfer Portal offers a repository of statewide academic and transfer related data and content in a user-friendly design. High school counselors and college advisors can introduce students to myriad transfer options and assist students by guiding them through transfer questions and discovery in the portal. With a light advising touch, the portal encourages, enables, and empowers students to research and make their own transfer decisions using a site with over 60 colleges presenting information in a single standardized format.

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Introducing a Statewide Student-Centered Transfer Portal

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Students can earn a certificate or associate degree through one of the state's two-year institutions or regional education centers, which can lead to a bachelor's degree at one of the many Virginia four-year public or private institutions. The Commonwealth's schools offer career pathways, highly ranked undergraduate programs, competitive tuition and financial aid programs. The campuses are beautiful, and range from metropolitan-based settings to classic college environments nestled in the mountains or along the shoreline and everywhere in between. Use the links below to start exploring.
Transfer Virginia: Background

2018 Transfer Legislation
- New transfer policies
- Statewide transfer portal
- Common course learning outcomes

Collaboration among SCHEV, VCCS, Richard Bland College, fourteen public four-year institutions, many private four-year institutions, and the Aspen Institute College Excellence Program
Transfer Virginia Goals

- **Gateway barriers:** Increase the number of students successfully completing math and English in the first year of community college enrollment.

- **Mobility and timeliness:** Improve time to transfer without reducing the number of students who complete an associate degree before transfer.

- **Degree attainment:** Increase the two- and three-year baccalaureate completion rate for transfer students.

- **Credit efficiency:** Reduce the average number of degree credits earned by transfer students to be comparable to those earned by native students in the same program.
YOU DON’T HAVE A STATEWIDE PORTAL.
HOW IS THIS SESSION RELEVANT TO YOU?

• “Light touch” advising
• Transfer Guide guidance
• Faculty and advising partnerships
• Opening up possibilities for students
• Portal tool could be used at single institution or consortium, not just state level
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COMPARE COLLEGES WITH INFORMATION IN THE SAME PLACE FOR EACH INSTITUTION
CREATE A PORTFOLIO AND CHECK MY CREDITS
SEARCH FOR PROGRAMS – SEE HOW MY CREDITS APPLY

Accounting - Bachelor of Business Administration
William & Mary

The Undergraduate Business Program offers an individualized approach to business education. Each student is challenged to design an Individual Program of Study (IPS) that uniquely addresses their particular goals and interests including post-graduate plans.

See How My Credits Apply
Applicable Admissions Agreements
Program Overview & Guidance
What If I Have An Associate Degree Or Credit For Prior Learning?
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**VCU BS Biomedical Engineering Transfer Guide**

Major-specific transfer guides provide students with specific course recommendations and requirements at the community college and four-year school, as well as helpful information about the major, school, and career opportunities. Following the transfer guide, ensure that course prerequisites and requirements are met prior to transfer, saving students time and money.

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**VCU BS Accounting Transfer Guide**

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Roanoke BBA Business Administration Transfer Guide

**Virginia Commonwealth University Bachelor of Science in Accounting (offered in-person and online)**

**TRANSFER GUIDE**

Catalog Years: 2022-2024

**Associate Transfer Degree Plan in Business**

**COURSES REQUIREMENTS**
OTHER FEATURES

Transfer Steps – helps a user explore options and make transfer decisions

Transfer Tools – quick links to find where a major can transfer, where to find an equivalent course (take a course nearby while student is home for the summer), discover my future – career exploration

College Connect – after researching colleges and programs, user can send a message to a college to connect with an advisor

Resource Center – repository of documents including statewide standardized 2-year college courses and common curricula, and 4-year transfer guides as well as helpful student worksheets, videos, and transfer planning sheets
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