

Virginia Community College System

Application Deadlines

Summer Semester: Feb. 1

Fall Semester: March 1

Spring Semester: Oct. 1

Resources

Academic Major and Minor Requirements:

jmu.edu/academics

Admissions Transfer Information:

jmu.edu/admissions/transfer

Financial Aid:

jmu.edu/financialaid

Free Application for Federal Student Aid:

fafsa.ed.gov

Off Campus Life:

info.jmu.edu/ocl

Residence Life:

jmu.edu/orl

Transfer Advising:

jmu.edu/transfer

How Credits Transfer:

transferology.com/school/jmu

Transfer VA

transfervirginia.org

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Admissions Process

The transfer admission process at JMU is competitive. We recommend potential transfer applicants to have completed or be in the process of completing at least 24 credit hours post-high school graduation. Associate degree-completers and those with two years of completed college credits are given priority in the admission process. JMU is seeking applicants who have completed at least one college-level course in the four core academic areas of 1) language (English, foreign language or speech/communications); 2) mathematics (beyond Algebra 2); 3) laboratory science; and 4) social science, with grades of As and Bs.

Application Materials

- Online application with accompanying, nonrefundable application fee
- Official high school transcripts or GED certificate
- Official college transcripts for all schools attended (including Dual Enrollment transcripts in high school)
- Personal statement is optional

Evaluation of Credit

The Office of the Registrar will evaluate transfer course work after applicants have been admitted to JMU. Admitted students will receive evaluation materials prior to their deposit deadline. Courses will be evaluated on a course-by-course basis and awarded credit for parallel college course work in which students earn a grade of "C" or better. Grades of "C-" or below do not transfer. There is no limit to the number of transfer credits that can be awarded.

A transfer credit equivalency guide is available to students via Transferology at transferology.com/school/jmu. This link allows students to receive an unofficial preliminary report of their transfer credits. Guides for both general education requirements at jmu.edu/gened/_files/GeneralEducationPlanner.pdf and major requirements at jmu.edu/academics are available to students. VCCS-JMU major guides can be found at jmu.edu/transfer/VCCStransfer/majorguides.shtml.

Major and Graduation Requirements

Students must declare an academic major upon entering the university. The length of time to graduate with a bachelor's degree will depend upon each student's major, degree requirements and transfer credit evaluation. Graduation with a bachelor's degree from JMU requires a minimum of 120 college credits, 50 percent of which must be from a four-year institution and 25 percent from JMU. It is possible that students will graduate with more than 120 college credit hours.

Financial Aid

The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships offers assistance through scholarships, grants, student employment and loans. Students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or the Renewal FAFSA Application by the March 1 priority filling date. The application may be completed online at fafsa.ed.gov. JMU's Title IV Federal School Code is 003721. Visit JMU Financial Aid at jmu.edu/financialaid

Housing

Although JMU is unable to guarantee housing for transfer students, a limited amount of space may be available. Applicants may indicate their interest for on-campus housing on their JMU Admissions Application. However, students who are admitted and pay their intent-to-enroll deposit must also apply for housing at jmu.edu/orl. Once students have applied for housing at their site, the Office of Residence Life will contact them regarding availability.

Harrisonburg offers wonderful housing options as well, and JMU has an office dedicated to helping students find a great home off campus. For more information, contact the Off-Campus Life Office at 540-568-6071 or go to info.jmu.edu/ocl





Virginia Community Colleges and Richard Bland College	Degrees Approved to Meet General Education Requirements		
	Associate in Arts	Associate in Sciences	Associate in Arts and Sciences
Blue Ridge		■	■
Brightpoint	■	■	
CAMP			■
Central Virginia		■	■
Danville			■
Eastern Shore			■
Germanna			■
Laurel Ridge		■	■
Mountain Gateway			■
Mountain Empire			■
New River			■
Northern Virginia*	■	■	
Patrick & Henry			■
Piedmont Virginia	■	■	
Rappahannock			■
Reynolds	■	■	
Richard Bland College	■	■	
Southside Virginia			■
Southwest Virginia			■
Tidewater	■	■	
Virginia Highlands			■
Virginia Peninsula	■	■	
Virginia Western	■	■	
Wytheville			■

*Students majoring in General Studies at this community college are not eligible for the GAA and General Studies will not meet JMU's general education requirements.

Guaranteed Admissions Agreements (GAA)

JMU has guaranteed admissions agreements with all Virginia Community Colleges and Richard Bland College. Please refer to the table on the left to determine which degrees have been approved.

Guaranteed admission to JMU does not guarantee admission to a specific major. Many majors have additional admission requirements and/or application processes. Specific eligibility requirements for the GAA are listed on the Letter of Intent. Students can download this form and meet with their academic counselor. Students must submit the signed letter of intent and application for admission by the semester in which they will graduate with the associate degree.

For the most current GAA information and Letter of Intent forms, visit: jmu.edu/admissions/apply/transfer-GAA.shtml

Grant and Scholarship Opportunities

JMU has a limited number of scholarships available to incoming transfer students. Some scholarship opportunities at JMU available to incoming transfer students include:

Centennial Scholars

- For students with high financial need
- Additional application required
- Virginia residents only

Madison Award for Academic Excellence

- Merit-based award
- No additional application required

Virginia Two-Year College Transfer Grant

- For students transferring to a four-year institution from a Virginia community college
- Must have an Associate's degree and GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Must meet certain financial aid criteria (EFC below \$12,000)

For complete eligibility requirements, please visit: jmu.edu/admissions/apply/transfer-financial-aid.shtml

Transfer Advising Coordinator Contact Information For more on transitioning into your major at JMU, contact one of the following:

For Northern Virginia Community College (all campuses):
Jennifer Jackson
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For Blue Ridge, Lord Fairfax and Piedmont:
Kate McDaniel
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For general questions (all VCCS campuses):
Jolie Lewis:
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To schedule an appointment with one of these advisors, visit: jmu.edu/transfer/visits.shtml
If your Virginia community college is not listed above, feel free to contact either of the transfer advising coordinators.