

2022-23 Application for Participation in the **Two-Year College Transfer Grant Program**

- IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS -

Established in 2007, the Two-Year College Transfer Grant Program (CTG) provides an incentive for students to first complete an associate degree at a Virginia public two-year college before transferring to a participating Virginia fouryear college or university as a means to reduce the overall cost towards completing a bachelor's degree.

In addition to paying lower tuition charges for their freshman and sophomore years while attending a two-year college, qualifying students may also receive a CTG award once they transfer to the participating four-year institution.

To be eligible, the student must (subject to Code of Virginia §§23.1-623-727 and 8VAC 40-150):

- Be a first-time entering freshman (at any institution) no earlier than fall 2007.
- Be an undergraduate in-state student (Virginia domicile).
- Meet selective service requirements. ٠
- Have received an associate degree at a Virginia two-year public institution.
- Have a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 on a scale of 4.0 for the associate degree.
- Enroll into a Virginia four-year public college or university or a Virginia four-year private nonprofit college or university by the fall or spring immediately following completion of an associate degree (see list of participating institutions at the bottom of the next page).
- Enroll full-time into a degree program that is not for religious training or theological education.
- Have applied for financial aid by completing the federal Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by the four-year institution's published deadline.
- Have financial need, defined as a federally calculated Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of 12,000 or less.

Awards:

Important:

- Any CTG award may be **reduced** subject to funding availability and the anticipated number of eligible students.
- A CTG award might be **unavailable** if a student's eligibility is confirmed after funds have been exhausted.
- Any CTG award may be reduced if there is an over award (total financial assistance cannot be greater than the student's Cost of Attendance). Note that the CTG awards can affect eligibility for other need-based aid.

Base Award and STEM-N Bonus Award:

- Maximum annual base award is \$1,000 (\$500 for the fall term and \$500 for the spring term).
- Maximum STEM-N bonus award of \$1,000 (\$500 for the fall term and \$500 for the spring term) to students enrolled into a degree program within science, teaching, engineering, mathematics, or nursing (see programs at the bottom of this page).
- Each is limited to a maximum of three years combined for the initial and renewal awards.

Incentive Award:

- An additional \$1,000 (\$500 for the fall term and \$500 for the spring term) to students enrolled into selected institutions: Norfolk State University, Old Dominion University, Radford University, the University of Virginia - College at Wise, Virginia Commonwealth University, and Virginia State University.
- Must advance to the next class level: limited to one year of award at Junior level and one year at Senior level for a total of one year of support per class level and a maximum total of two years of support.

Renewal Criteria:

- Enroll full-time into a participating institution.
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale at the four-year institution.
- Continued demonstration of financial need (EFC of 12,000 or less and filing FAFSA by institution deadline).
- Must maintain satisfactory academic progress.
- Failure to maintain the GPA and financial need requirements results in loss of future eligibility for the program.

Process:

- Apply for financial aid by completing the FAFSA (www.fafsa.ed.gov) by the four-year institution's published deadline.
- Complete the attached application and submit to the financial aid office of your participating Virginia four-year institution. Submit a final academic transcript to the four-year institution as soon as the associate degree is posted.
- Note: An email that the student may have received from the two-year college or VCCS system office is not a confirmation of eligibility nor does it indicate that the student has met all of the two-year college eligibility criteria. The email serves only to inform potentially eligible students about the program.
- The four-year institution will verify eligibility utilizing the student's final academic transcript and institutional data as of the institution's census date for fall and spring financial aid. In some instances, final eligibility will not be established until after the four-year institution's semester is in session. Funding for awards will be made directly to the four-year institution and applied to the student's account.

Programs eligible for the additional \$1,000 STEM-N bonus award:

- All programs falling under the CIP codes listed below are eligible; these codes are from the 2010 CIP (Classification of Instructional Program) as published by the National Center for Educational Statistics: http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/Default.aspx?v=55.
 - 01. Agriculture, Agriculture Operations, & Related Sciences 19.05
 - 03. Natural resources & conservation
 - Architecture & related services 04. Computer & information science & support services 11.

 - Special Education & Teaching
 Special Education, Specific Levels & Methods
 Teacher Education, Specific Subject Areas.
 - 13.14 Teach English or French as a Second/Foreign Lng
 - Engineering
 - 14. Engineering & Technologies/Technicians 15.
- Biological & Biomedical Sciences 26.
- 27. Mathematics & statistics 29. Military technologies
- Biological & Physical Sciences 30.01
- 30.06 Systems Science & Theory
- 30.08 Mathematics & Computer Science
- 30.10
- Biopsychology Science, Technology & Society 30.15
- 30.16 Accounting & Computer Science

Foods, Nutrition, & Related Services

- 30.18 Natural Sciences 30.24 Neuroscience
- 30.25 Cognitive Science 30.27 Human Biology
- 30.32 Marine Sciences
- 30.30 Computational Science
- 40. Physical Sciences
- 41. Science Technologies/Technicians
- 51. Health Professions & Related Programs
- 52.12 Management Info Systems & Services
- In addition, any student officially accepted into an approved Teacher Preparation Program is eligible for the CTG bonus award.



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(Please type or print in black ink)

IMPORTANT: Application Submission Information

- Forward the completed application to the financial aid office of your Virginia four-year college or university. If applying to multiple institutions, submit a separate application to each.
- Include with this application, or forward as soon as it is available, a copy of your final academic transcript showing completion of your associate degree and final grade point average.

SECTION A: Student Information

Name:	Date of Birth:	_/	/
Last Four Digits of Social Security Number: xxx-xx	E-mail:		
Permanent Address:			
Street	City	State	Zip Code
4-Year College/University	4-Year Clg. Studer	nt I.D	
Do you plan to enroll into a degree program eligible for the STEM-N bonus award? : See See Step Step Step Step Step Step S			
SECTION B: Associate Degree Information			
Virginia Two-Year College Attended:			
Semester of <u>Initial Enrollment</u> at the Two-Year College: (check first semester of enrollment and indicate year, do not include dual enrollment while in high school)			
Semester <u>Completed</u> Associate Degree: (check semester degree was completed and indicate year of completion)			GPA Point Average)

SECTION C: Certification and Signature(s)

I certify that all of the information I provided in this application is true and accurate. I understand that if I provide fraudulent information, I may be subject to repayment of the Grant and/or dismissal from my institution. I agree to furnish the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia and the college or university with additional supporting documentation related to my application, if I am requested to do so.

_/____/___ Date Signature of Applicant _/____/__ Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian or Spouse Date (required only if student is under the age of 18) _____

Eligible Virginia Public Two-Year Colleges

Richard Bland College

Virginia's 23 public community colleges

Participating Virginia Four-Year Colleges and Universities

Christopher Newport George Mason University James Madison University Longwood University Norfolk State University Old Dominion University Radford University University of Mary Washington

University of Virginia University of Virginia College at Wise Virginia Commonwealth University Virginia Military Institute Virginia State University Virginia Tech William and Mary

Averett University Bluefield College Bridgewater College Christendom College Eastern Mennonite University Emory & Henry College Ferrum College George Washington University (Va. Campus only)

Hampden Sydney College Hampton University Hollins University Liberty University Mary Baldwin University Marymount University Randolph College Randolph Macon College Reaent University

Roanoke College Shenandoah University Southern Virginia University Sweet Briar College University of Lynchburg University of Richmond Virginia Union University Virginia Wesleyan University Washington & Lee University