"There are a variety of classes scheduled that work with both full-time students as well as full-time employees."
– Kristen Tucker, LFCC student

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Let Lord Fairfax Community College (LFCC) help you pursue an exciting career in education!

You can earn your associate of arts and sciences degree in education from LFCC and then transfer into a college or university to complete your studies.

The associate of arts and sciences degree offered by LFCC provides you with freshman- and sophomore-level course work toward the completion of your bachelor’s degree. You essentially take the same courses that would be required by a college or university in the areas of:

- English
- Health/physical education
- Humanities
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social science

LFCC offers a student development course, SDV 101, specifically for education majors. If you are thinking about a career in education, this class is a wonderful place to start and is a graduation requirement.

What are the benefits of attending LFCC?

- **High-quality, personalized instruction**
  - You will enjoy small class sizes, challenging course work and one-on-one attention from highly-qualified, innovative instructors!

- **Excellent support services**
  - The counselors and advisors at LFCC are devoted to your success and will guide you through the educational process, including transfer, step by step!

- **Affordable higher education**
  - At LFCC, your average cost of full-time in-state tuition, including mandatory fees, is $1,978 (2007-08 academic year figures). The average cost at public four-year colleges and universities in Virginia is $7,083, and private institutions are even more expensive!

- **Financial aid – which reduces your cost even more!**
  - The College and LFCC Educational Foundation Inc. awarded $2.5 million in financial aid, including government aid and private scholarships, to 1,295 students between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2007.
  - For students who transfer, there is an opportunity to receive funds through the Virginia transfer grant!

Am I a fit for the LFCC program?

If you do not have a bachelor’s degree, and you are interested in a career in education, then you are an ideal candidate!

Is a career in education a good career choice?

Yes!

- There is a consistent need for teachers in the workforce. Teaching is a “recession-proof” field; regardless of the status of the economy, teachers are always needed.

How would I transfer into a college or university program?

LFCC will provide you with the assistance you need to transfer. The College has more than 20 transfer agreements with four-year colleges and universities. With many of these agreements, if you fulfill the necessary requirements, you are even guaranteed admission!

It is very important to work closely with your advisor when planning your education at LFCC. Institutions have different transfer requirements, and your advisor will be able to assist you with these requirements.

Money for transferring – The Virginia Transfer Grant

In-state students who attend LFCC or another Virginia community college can receive a grant for up to $2,000 annually for three years (or 70 credit hours) upon transferring to a four-year institution.

To qualify, you must complete your transfer associate degree with a 3.0 grade point average and meet financial aid eligibility requirements.

The grant provides $1,000 for all eligible students, with an extra $1,000 available for students who pursue undergraduate work in teaching! You must maintain a 3.0 grade point average and continue to demonstrate financial need to receive the award for each of the three years.

Read more about transfer agreements and the transfer grant and find useful links at http://www.lfcc.edu/Transfer/index.htm.

“"This is my second time at LFCC. The first time was 10 years ago when I was beginning my education. Now that I am at the beginning of my career in education, LFCC continues to fulfill my educational needs.”

–Robin Hoelen, LFCC student; teacher, Fauquier County Public Schools