

**GUARANTEED ADMISSION AGREEMENT
LONGWOOD UNIVERSITY
AND
VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM**

Longwood University welcomes and values transfer students from the Virginia Community College System (VCCS) who are appropriately prepared to pursue a Baccalaureate Degree. Provisions of this Agreement apply to VCCS graduates who have earned the Associate in Arts and/or Science Degree.

- This agreement includes students earning General Studies degrees that have been approved by the State Committee on Transfer
 - This agreement is not applicable for students who earned the Associate of Arts and/or Science Degree through dual enrollment (see # 9 below).
 - This agreement is not applicable if the student has a record of academic disciplinary action, has poor academic performance in courses taken subsequent to the award of the associate degree or has a record of criminal activity.
1. Longwood will guarantee acceptance of all VCCS graduates with an Associate of Arts and/or Science Degree who have earned a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on a four point scale at the time of application and graduation. This cumulative GPA includes the GPA as calculated by the VCCS as well as the cumulative GPA of all other colleges attended. The GPA of 2.5 may not include more than five classes retaken with only the higher grade being calculated in the GPA. Applications must be received by March 1 (for fall term) and November 1 (for spring term). Students with a GPA below 2.5, those who apply after the stated deadlines, or those whose GPA becomes 2.5 after the deadline may be considered for admission but without the guaranteed acceptance.
 2. Longwood University agrees that VCCS graduates who are accepted will be granted junior status; all of their credits earned toward their Associate of Arts and/or Science Degree will transfer (including D grades unless there are restrictions for students that started at Longwood as a freshman); and all of their lower-division general education goals (requirements) will be met. Transfer credits are not always applicable to a specific degree. Students will be required to complete unfilled upper-division general education goals (requirements), additional degree requirements, and major requirements. If a BA degree is being pursued, the equivalent of a 202 foreign language course must be taken if not already completed at the community college.
 3. Acceptance to Longwood does not automatically mean acceptance to a particular program. The student must meet specific GPA and pre-requisites for particular programs (i.e. education, business, etc.). This agreement is not applicable for students seeking admission to the Nursing Program; admission to the Nursing Program is competitive.
 4. Students will be considered on the same basis as all students for admission to competitive programs, registration, financial aid, scholarships, student housing, parking, and any other opportunities open to students with junior standing. Students who do not meet required deadlines including paying the required admissions deposit by May 1 indicating their intent to enroll may not be eligible for the above-mentioned opportunities.
 5. Longwood cannot guarantee students will be able to complete all requirements for graduation within two years of full-time study. Likelihood increases if students take normal course loads, have met the specific prerequisites at their VCCS institution for their majors, make satisfactory progress, and are not enrolled in tightly structured programs (i.e. education, physical education, art etc.).

6. Students may select the Catalog issued for the academic year they enter Longwood or the Catalog issued for their class (juniors).
7. Credits earned through examination (AP, IB, CLEP, or DANTES) that were awarded credit by a VCCS institution will be treated on an equal basis as other credits earned at a VCCS institution.
8. Official transcripts from each college attended and/or official documents regarding the above mentioned examinations must be provided.
9. VCCS students who complete the associate degree through dual enrollment are not guaranteed admission under the terms of this Guaranteed Admission Agreement. However, such students may apply to Longwood as freshmen. When these student applications are reviewed, high school performance, test scores (SAT/ACT) and other criteria used in the freshman review process will be considered. Students who are admitted will receive all the benefits of this Guaranteed Admission Agreement, including having their credits evaluated and applied in the same manner as those students entering under this Guaranteed Admissions Agreement (see #2), except:
 - They must attend the Longwood freshman-"orientation
 - They must enroll in the Longwood Seminar course (General Education Goal 1).
 - They must live in on-campus housing unless qualified for a release. On-campus housing is guaranteed for these students.
10. Longwood will consider GAA students for financial aid if they apply for aid (complete and submit the FAFSA) and admission by their recommended deadline of March 1 (for the fall) and November 1 (for the spring).
11. Longwood will continue to provide the on-line the *Transfer Guide* (<http://www.whylongwood.com/16705.htm>) listing all VCCS courses recommended for each major. VCCS faculty and advising staff will encourage prospective Longwood transfer students to meet the specified prerequisites and major requirements when those courses are available through the VCCS institution. The Longwood *Transfer Guide* and VCCS academic advisors will provide the necessary information to VCCS students who plan to transfer to Longwood.
12. Longwood and the VCCS will indicate the relationship through appropriate literature and web sites.
13. Longwood will provide tracking data on performance of transfer students at Longwood, including credits presented and accepted in transfer, Longwood courses attempted and completed, cumulative GPA, major, graduation date from Longwood, and comparisons with native students. The specific data elements of the report will be determined by Institutional Research staffs from the VCCS and Longwood and provided by July 1 of each year.
14. This agreement will remain in effect for two years after either party notifies the other in writing of their desire to have it terminated.
15. This agreement will be reviewed at least every five years.

Marge Connelly, Interim President
Longwood University
Date: 4-10-13

Glenn DuBois, Chancellor
Virginia Community College System
Date: 4-8-13