

# Policy on Transfer of Virginia Community College Students (Amendment to Presidential Policy No. 68)

## Policy Memorandum No. 173

Recommended by the Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies: April 22, 1996

Approved by University Council: October 7, 1996

Approved by the President: October 7, 1996

Effective: Immediately

The University Council, on recommendation of the Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies, unanimously approved a resolution concerning the university's policy on the admission of transfer students.

Following is the text of the resolution as adopted by University Council.

**WHEREAS**, the *Perry Committee* recommended that the university "standardize clear and consistent policy concerning a student's ability to transfer to Virginia Tech" (page 17, number 7), and

**WHEREAS**, the State Council of Higher Education policy states that each senior institution should have a policy on the transfer of Virginia Community College Students approved by appropriate institutional parties and review regularly the admission of transfer students, and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force on Transfer was charged by the University Provost to "define the university's policy on the admission of transfer students and submit the proposal for governance and Board of Visitor approval," and

**WHEREAS**, [Presidential Policy No. 68](#) "Entrance Requirements" does not specifically address the transfer of the Virginia Community College student but does stipulate that entrance requirements be reviewed periodically,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, effective with applicants Fall 1996**, that the current undergraduate admissions policy as stated in Presidential Policy No. 68 be amended as follows and published along with other admissions guidelines in the undergraduate catalog,

- Virginia Community College and Richard Bland College graduates with associate degrees based upon a baccalaureate oriented sequence of courses and who are offered admission to Virginia Tech will be granted junior level status upon admission, recognizing that it may take such students longer than two years to complete the baccalaureate because of prerequisites in the major, other requirements or circumstances.
- The University catalog and other informational and advising materials from departments and colleges will include information about specific additional requirements for specific majors.
- Virginia Community College System (VCCS) and Richard Bland College (RBC) students who are offered admission and who have been certified as having completed the *Virginia Community College Transfer Module* and have a grade of "C" or better in each course of the *Module* will have fulfilled requirements toward the University Core Curriculum.

- Virginia Tech shall work cooperatively with VCCS/RBC to maintain and make available the Virginia Tech-VCCS Transfer Guide, which includes course equivalency information and other program requirements.

Admission preference shall be given to transfer students who have completed an A.A., A.S., or A.A.S. at the Virginia Community College System or Richard Bland College.

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