

Proposed Tuition and Fee Rates for 2021-22**FINANCE AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE****March 22, 2021****Development of 2021-22 Tuition and Fee Rates**

The university has traditionally developed tuition and fee proposals in February and March of each year, with final rates submitted to the Board of Visitors in late March or April. This process allows the university to incorporate the impact of legislative actions taken during the General Assembly session into the tuition and fee proposals. Finalizing these rates at the Spring Board of Visitors meeting helps students plan for the financial costs of the upcoming academic year and allows the Office of University Scholarships and Financial Aid to deliver timely and effective financial aid award information to current and prospective students.

The 2021 General Assembly session adjourned on March 1st, 2021, passing amendments to the 2020-22 biennial budget for final approval by the Governor. Though the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to strain the nation, the commonwealth has thus far avoided reducing its support for Virginia Tech and has provided some additional resources to help offset some of the pandemic-related costs borne by the university. With an understanding of the major revenue and cost changes resulting from the amended state budget, the university recommends the following tuition and fee adjustments to address the university's estimated 2021-22 resource needs.

Attached Schedules 1–7 provide a summary of all tuition and fee rates proposed for 2021-22, including any increase/decrease from the prior year.

Impact of Student Financial Aid Programs

As reported to the Board in November 2020, the university maintains a robust student financial aid program to ensure access and affordability of the institution's programs. Consistent with this goal, it is important to remember that the proposed charges represent the gross amount assessed to students and may be offset by one of the university's various financial assistance programs. This includes the Funds for the Future program, which shelters returning undergraduate students from tuition and fee increases for families with incomes up to \$100,000, and new investments that expand the overall student financial aid program. The university continues to make strategic investments into student financial aid programs that support low- to middle-income students and support enrollment management strategies.

Tuition

The defined state process envisions utilizing the Six-Year Financial Plans that are developed in accordance with state guidelines and approved by the Board as the framework for the development of tuition and Educational & General (E&G) fees, given certain assumptions about General Fund support provided by the General Assembly. However, development of tuition and fee recommendations for the coming year must consider the actual level of support proposed by the commonwealth and nongeneral fund cost assignments when available. The university has worked to balance these criteria in developing the proposed annual base tuition rates. The

proposed full-time annual 2021-22 rates are shown below. Semester rates equal one-half of annual rates.

	<u>2020-21 Charge</u>	<u>Proposed 2021-22</u>
<u>Undergraduate</u>		
Resident	\$ 11,420	\$ 11,751
Nonresident	29,960	30,829
<u>Graduate</u>		
On-campus Programs		
Resident	13,701	14,098
Nonresident	27,614	28,415
Off-campus Programs		
Resident	15,167	15,607
Nonresident	29,559	30,416

Part-Time Students

Part-time tuition charges for all student categories are derived from the full-time rate and are directly related to the number of credit hours taken. For tuition calculation purposes, the full-time undergraduate semester rate is divided by twelve credit hours and the full-time graduate student semester rate is divided by nine hours. The proposed per-hour charges for 2021-22 are:

	<u>2020-21 Charge</u>	<u>Proposed 2021-22</u>
<u>Undergraduate</u>		
Resident	\$ 475.75	\$ 489.75
Nonresident	1,248.25	1,284.50
<u>Graduate</u>		
On-campus Programs		
Resident	761.25	783.25
Nonresident	1,534.00	1,578.50
Off-campus Programs		
Resident	842.50	867.00
Nonresident	1,642.25	1,689.75

Special Tuition Rates

Summer and Winter Session Rate

The Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2011 outlines several objectives that seek to expand access to and promote degree completion across the commonwealth's higher education system. During non-traditional academic time periods, increasing year-round utilization of facilities and advancing opportunities for degree completion is an important strategy for supporting these objectives. To position the university for continued innovation in non-traditional session enrollment growth, in 2012-13 the university shifted the assessment of undergraduate tuition to a per-credit

hour basis at a ten percent discount of the regular session hourly rates for on-campus students. The university proposes to continue this assessment methodology for the 2021-22 Winter and Summer sessions. This approach provides a financial incentive for students to complete their degree at an accelerated pace and offers improved flexibility for faculty to innovate academic offerings during these non-traditional sessions. The proposed per-hour charges for Winter 2021 and Summer 2022 are:

<u>Undergraduate</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
On-campus	<u>Charge</u>	<u>2021-22</u>
Resident	\$ 428.25	\$ 440.75
Nonresident	1,123.00	1,156.00

Veterinary Medicine

When the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine was formed, the two states agreed to provide equal contributions (per Virginia and Maryland student) to the instructional operating budget. It was also agreed that both Virginia and Maryland students would pay the same resident tuition rate. The tuition agreement has been sustained since the first class was admitted.

Until 1996-97 only residents of Virginia and Maryland were admitted for study in the professional veterinary medicine curriculum. In 1996-97, the enrollment policy was modified to admit nonresident students (i.e. non-Virginia and non-Maryland residents). This change did not affect the enrollment totals for Virginia or Maryland. For 2021-22, the enrollment plan envisions 40 nonresident students in the entering cohort.

Each year the tuition proposal is reviewed with the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine Budget and Program Review Board (established to review the college's budget and comprised of representatives from Virginia Tech and the University of Maryland). The university, in conjunction with the Budget and Program Review Board, proposes the following increases of 2.5% and 2.0% in the resident and nonresident tuition rates for veterinary medicine students for 2021-22. The current and proposed annual tuition rates are displayed below:

	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
	<u>Charge</u>	<u>2021-22</u>
Virginia/Maryland Students	\$ 21,906	\$ 22,462
Nonresident Students	50,435	51,459

Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine

Integrated as the ninth college of Virginia Tech on July 1, 2018, the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine is funded through a combination of medical student tuition and partnership support. The current and proposed annual tuition rates are displayed below:

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
Medical Education	\$ 53,113	\$ 54,653

Program Specific Online Graduate Tuition Rates

For select online graduate programs with significant demand beyond the commonwealth's borders and the capacity for growth, the university has developed a tiered set of tuition rates that apply to all students in each program. These rates ensure coverage of the direct and indirect cost of instruction and satisfy state policy requiring that nonresident students be assessed at least the average cost of education. This rate structure is organized into four tiers; market assessment and review of program costs determine each program's rate tier. Students are also assessed the traditional mandatory E&G fees (Library and Technology). As completely online programs, students are not assessed the Commonwealth Facility and Equipment Fee.

The proposed per-credit hour tiered tuition rates and the approved programs in each tier are summarized below:

<u>Program Specific Online Graduate Tuition</u>	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
<u>Tier 1 Rate</u> Online Master of Business Administration (OMBA) ⁽¹⁾	N/A	\$ 1,075.00
<u>Tier 2 Rate</u> Master of Information Technology (MIT) Master of Agricultural & Applied Economics	\$ 975.00	\$ 1,000.00
<u>Tier 3 Rate</u> Master of Natural Resources (MNR) Master of Agriculture and Life Sciences (OMALS)	900.00	925.00
<u>Tier 4 Rate</u> Graduate Certificate in Local Government Mgt (LGMC) Graduate Certificate in Leadership for an Aging Society (ASCC)	825.00	850.00

(1) Rate effective beginning Summer semester 2021.

Professional Masters and Certificate Pricing

To support the strategic goal of increasing the number of students enrolled in professional graduate degree and certificate programs, specifically at sites outside of the Blacksburg campus, the university proposes continuing the development of market-based pricing strategies in select programs. Programs eligible for these pricing strategies will display market demand that extends beyond the commonwealth and generate net revenue above the direct and indirect cost of instruction (therefore, above the average cost of education). In some cases, a program-specific supplemental fee may also be approved.

The specific programs listed below are approved to utilize a market-based residency-neutral tuition rate that achieves the average cost of education and improves the program's ability to recruit participants from beyond the commonwealth. For 2021-22, the following rates are proposed to be assessed on a per-credit basis for all enrolled credits:

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
Evening MBA (EvMBA)	\$ 1,025.00	\$ 1,050.00
Data Analysis and Applied Statistics (DAAS)	1,025.00	1,050.00
M.S. Business Analytics – HTM	N/A	1,050.00
XMNR (Spring 2022 cohort)	N/A	1,050.00

Special Tuition Rate for Elementary and Secondary School Personnel

The original policy regarding special tuition rates for elementary and secondary school personnel was approved in 1984 and allowed public school teachers to attend graduate classes at Virginia Tech on a reduced tuition schedule for purposes of recertification. Recertification is a statewide requirement that can strengthen the total education system. The original policy underscored the university's commitment to improving the quality of elementary and secondary education through the continued education of elementary and secondary school teachers.

In January 1989 the Board of Visitors approved a revised policy. Teachers, counselors, administrators, and supervisors employed by elementary and secondary school systems in the Commonwealth of Virginia could enroll in graduate classes, both on-campus and at off-campus locations, and pay approximately 60 percent of the authorized tuition rate. The Board of Visitors also expanded the policy in two ways: First, all elementary and secondary school personnel became eligible for the reduced tuition rate. Second, all graduate hours qualify for the plan, not just recertification hours. Further, elementary and secondary school personnel may enroll in an unlimited number of graduate courses for the purpose of recertification or for an advanced degree.

In February 1999 the Board of Visitors approved an expansion of the special tuition rate to include undergraduate-level courses for vocational teachers who do not have a bachelor's degree.

In 2015-16, the Board of Visitors established a 25 percent discount, resulting in a special tuition rate for elementary and secondary school personnel of 75 percent of the corresponding campus tuition rates (excludes professional and executive programs). Continuing the 25 percent discount for 2021-22 is recommended.

The following table shows the proposed special rates for Elementary and Secondary School Personnel per-credit hour for 2021-22 Virginia residents:

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
<u>Undergraduate</u>		
On-campus	\$ 357.00	\$ 367.25
<u>Graduate</u>		
On-campus	571.00	587.50
Extended Campus	632.00	650.25

Special Tuition Rate for Study-Abroad Programs

Providing study-abroad opportunities is an important strategy in strengthening Virginia Tech's international programs. The Board of Visitors previously approved a special tuition rate for students who participate in the various study-abroad programs operated by the university. The special tuition rate reflects instructional services that all students receive, but excludes the cost of on-campus services.

In 2008-09 the study abroad rate was 80 percent of the on-campus tuition rates. The university proposes to continue the special tuition rate for study-abroad programs. Consistent with prior years, the special tuition rate for study abroad would not apply for students studying at the Steger Center for International Scholarship.

The following table shows the proposed special rates for study-abroad programs per-credit hour for 2021-22:

	<u>2020-21 Charge</u>	<u>Proposed 2021-22</u>
<u>Undergraduate</u>		
Resident	\$ 381.00	\$ 391.75
Nonresident	999.00	1,027.50
<u>Graduate</u>		
Resident	609.00	626.50
Nonresident	1,227.00	1,262.75

Special Tuition Rate for Graduate Candidacy Status

To recognize the largely independent nature of doctoral students who have completed two years of course work, passed their preliminary exam, and are engaged in research and dissertation efforts, the university recommends a new lower tuition rate for research and dissertation hours for students in this status. Candidacy Status is conferred upon application to and certification by the Graduate School that a student has completed two years of course work and passed their preliminary exam. A reduced tuition rate for Candidacy Status is intended to incentivize time-to-degree for Ph.D. students, minimize the cost to research programs, and better position the university within the competitive market. As an incentive to graduate, the rate is available for a maximum of two years for full-time students. This rate does not apply to executive graduate programs. The tuition rates for research and dissertation hours will be discounted 10 percent. The special tuition rate per credit hour for Candidacy Status is displayed below:

	<u>2020-21 Charge</u>	<u>Proposed 2021-22</u>
Graduate Resident Blacksburg	N/A	\$ 705.00
Graduate Nonresident Blacksburg	N/A	1,420.75
Graduate Resident Extended Campus	N/A	780.25
Graduate Nonresident Extended Campus	N/A	1,520.75

Educational and General Fees

Technology Service Fee

In accordance with the language in the 1998 Appropriation Act, the university implemented an Educational and General technology service fee effective with the 1998 fall semester for all students. The fee is currently \$76 per academic year. Part-time students pay half the full-time rate. A \$2 increase to the Technology Services Fee is recommended for 2021-22.

Library Fee

Beginning in Fall 2013, the university instituted an annual fee to support a robust scholarly environment to advance academic achievement. The Library Fee supports comprehensive library resources, online access to library resources for enrolled students, and enhancements to student library services. The fee is currently \$99 per year. Part-time students pay half of the full-time rate. A \$3 increase to the Library fee is recommended for 2021-22.

Commonwealth Facility and Equipment Fee

The 2003 General Assembly required the establishment of a capital fee to be assessed to all nonresident students at institutions of higher education for 2003-04 to pay a portion of the debt service on bonds issued under the 21st Century Debt Program issued for construction of new facilities on campus. The 2004 General Assembly increased the nongeneral fund portion of lease payments for the 2004-06 allocation of equipment under the Higher Education Equipment Trust fund and stipulated the source of the nongeneral funds be an increase in fees for nonresident students at public institutions of higher education starting in 2005-06. Part-time students pay half the full-time rate. The Commonwealth Facility and Equipment fee of \$604 is assessed to all nonresident students. No change in the Commonwealth Facility and Equipment fee is proposed for 2021-22.

Immigration Services Fee

To support the administrative costs and maintain the quality of immigration services provided to degree-seeking undergraduate and graduate international students, the university implemented an Immigration Services Fee beginning with students enrolling in Fall 2018. This fee helps support costs uniquely associated with the administration of international student enrollment such as academic and financial verification, immigration regulation, Student and Exchange Visitor Program System (SEVIS) reporting requirements, financial processing fees, and compliance with United States Government regulations. International students on a domestic campus are assessed the fee. For international Graduate students on assistantship, the fee is remitted under Section 4-2.01b.6 of the Virginia Appropriation Act in recognition of their service to the University. The Immigration Services fee of \$275 per semester is assessed to all degree-seeking students on a Type F or Type J visa. No change in the fee is recommended for 2021-22.

Average Cost of Education

The Commonwealth of Virginia has a well-established methodology for computing the per student educational cost for colleges and universities. This process identifies the average educational cost for all undergraduate and graduate students, including part-time and full-time students taking

classes at both on-campus and off-campus locations. The Average Cost of Education does not include professional programs such as veterinary medicine.

Until 2004, the Average Cost of Instruction was utilized as the measure of per student instructional cost. The Average Cost of Instruction identified the instructional cost components within the Educational and General appropriation and computed an average instructional cost. In 2004, a new state policy replaced the Average Cost of *Instruction* with the Average Cost of *Education*. The Average Cost of Education is the instructional funding need generated by the base budget adequacy model. The Average Cost of Education is not comparable to the Average Cost of Instruction due to the differences in methodology.

The Average Cost of Education now serves as the basis for ensuring that nonresident undergraduate and graduate students cover at least 100 percent of the average cost of their education as the General Assembly instructed colleges and universities in the 1991 legislative session. Nonresident tuition and mandatory E&G fee rates for the upcoming academic year are examined against the Average Cost of Education in the prior year to insure they cover 100 percent of the Average Cost of Education. Commonwealth policy continues to allow the university to recover the full cost from nonresidents as a group.

Because the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia does not compute the Average Cost of Education until July, the following table presents Virginia Tech's estimate of the Average Cost of Education and coverage percentages by student category for 2020-21. The Average Cost of Education is estimated to be \$20,803. The proposed Virginia Tech nonresident tuition and mandatory E&G fees are 145 percent of the Average Cost of Education and are in compliance with state tuition policy. Average percentages of the Cost of Education by individual student category are summarized in the following schedule.

	<u>2020-21</u>		<u>2021-22 Estimate</u>	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>% of Average</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>% of Average</u>
<i>Estimated Average Cost of Education</i>	\$ 20,289		\$ 20,803	
<u>Undergraduates*</u>				
Residents	11,595	57%	11,931	57%
Nonresidents	30,135	149%	31,009	149%
<u>Graduates*</u>				
Residents	13,876	68%	14,278	69%
Nonresidents	27,789	137%	28,595	137%
<u>Residency</u>				
Residents		58%		58%
Nonresidents		145%		146%

** Amounts include proposed tuition and E&G fees. The nonresident facility and equipment fee is not comparable to the Average Cost of Education.*

Excess Credit Hour Surcharge

The 2006 General Assembly (§ 23.1-509 Code of Virginia) required the establishment of a surcharge to be assessed to all resident undergraduate students beginning in the semester after 125 percent of credit hours required for baccalaureate degrees have been completed.

This applies to students entering on or subsequent to August 1, 2006. The surcharge amount is the difference between the Average Cost of Education and the in-state undergraduate tuition and mandatory E&G fees. In effect, the surcharge requires the in-state student to pay the Average Cost of Education once they have exceeded 125 percent of degree requirements.

The following table displays the actual 2020-21 surcharge amount and an estimated surcharge amount for 2021-22 based on Virginia Tech's estimate of the Average Cost of Education for 2021-22 and the proposed 2021-22 tuition and mandatory E&G fees included in this package.

	2020-21 Charge	Estimated 2021-22*
Average Cost of Education	\$20,289	\$20,803
In State Undergraduate Tuition and E&G Fees	11,595	11,931
Surcharge-Annual	8,694	8,872
Surcharge Per Credit Hour	\$362.25	\$369.50

*The Average Cost of Education for 2021-22 is an estimated value pending SCHEV's computation in July 2021.

Comprehensive Fee

The Student Activity Fee, the Health Service Fee, the Athletic Fee, the Transportation Services Fee, the Recreational Sports Fee, the Student Services Fee, and the Student Cultural Activities Fee are consolidated into one Comprehensive Fee in order to streamline the process for collecting and accounting for these charges. The \$2,154 per student fee is the lowest Comprehensive Fee charged by any public four-year institution in Virginia in 2020-21. Comprehensive fees at the other five public doctoral institutions range from \$2,451 to \$6,058. Individual descriptions and recommended amounts for 2021-22 are below for each component of the Comprehensive Fee. Part-time students pay one-half of each fee.

Student Activity Fee

The Student Activity Fee covers the maintenance and operation of the student centers, student programs, and supports student activities as determined by the Student Budget Board. Cost pressures for 2021-22 include support for planned state compensation programs, adjustments to fringe benefit rates, increased student organization support, increased hourly wage and state salary compensation, utility costs, student affairs support services, Cultural and Community Center staffing and program support, increased student organization staffing and program support, and operating costs. However, after considering all available resources, no change to the current Student Activities fee of \$330 per academic year is recommended for 2021-22.

Health Service Fee

The Health Service Fee supports normal medical and nursing attention and counseling services provided by Schiffert Student Health Services, Cook Counseling Center, and Virginia Tech Rescue Squad operations. An increase of \$49 in the Health Service Fee is recommended for 2021-22 to cover planned state compensation programs, adjustments to fringe benefit rates, expanded health clinic hours and staffing needs, Cook Counseling Center operating support, increased hourly wage and salary compensation, utility costs, student affairs support services, and operating costs. The total fee is currently \$508 per academic year. For 2021-22, an increase of the Health Service Fee to \$557 per academic year is recommended.

Athletic Fee

A portion of the university's athletic program operations is supported by the Athletic Fee. The student fee revenue covers the costs of athletic administration and sponsoring intercollegiate varsity sports that do not generate revenue. This fee entitles students to free admissions into sporting events, while recognizing that student seating is limited thus not guaranteed. An increase of \$36 in the Athletics Fee is recommended for 2021-22 to cover facility and maintenance costs and inflationary pressures on non-revenue sports and activities. The current fee is \$326 per academic year. For 2021-22, an increase of the Athletic Fee to \$362 per academic year is recommended. § 23.1-1309 of the Code of Virginia limits the percentage share and annual growth of the student fee component as a portion of the overall intercollegiate athletics revenue. The 2021 General Assembly approved temporary relief of this provision due to the revenue impacts of COVID-19; therefore, the university remains in compliance with applicable law.

Transportation Services Fee

Students enrolled at Virginia Tech have unlimited access to bus transportation provided by the Blacksburg Transit System through a contract the university negotiates with the Town of Blacksburg each year. In addition to the convenience for students, the bus system and alternative transportation programs save the university considerable resources by lowering requirements for on-campus parking. An increase of \$2 in the Transportation Services Fee is recommended for 2021-22 to cover the need for increased service levels in high density areas, enhanced transit service routes, transit contract increases, planned state compensation programs, adjustments to fringe benefit rates, increased hourly wage and salary compensation, and operating costs. The current fee is \$192 per academic year. For 2021-22, an increase of the Transportation Services Fee to \$194 per academic year is recommended.

Recreational Sports Fee

The Recreational Sports Fee supports debt retirement, maintenance, operations, intramural and extramural sports club programs, and recreational activities. An increase of \$8 in the Recreational Sports Fee is recommended for 2021-22 to cover planned state compensation programs, adjustments to fringe benefit rates, increased hourly wage and salary compensation, utility costs, student affairs support services, and operating costs. The current fee is \$327 per academic year. For 2021-22, an increase to the Recreational Sports Fee to \$335 per academic year is recommended.

Student Services Fee

The Student Services Fee supports Career Services, non-self-supporting student services components of the Hokie Passport Office including the cost of new student IDs, the Division of Student Affairs, and the campus wireless network. An increase of \$4 in the Student Services Fee is recommended for 2021-22 to cover network infrastructure renewal and student services staffing needs. The current fee is \$298 per academic year. For 2021-22, an increase to the Student Services Fee to \$302 per academic year is recommended.

Student Cultural Activities Fee

The Student Cultural Activities Fee supports the presence and practice of the arts across campus for all students, and provides free or greatly reduced admission to enrolled students. Cost pressures for 2021-22 include support for planned state compensation programs, adjustments to fringe benefit rates, utility costs, and operating costs. However, considering all available resources, a decrease of \$9 to the current Student Cultural Activities fee is recommended, resulting in a Student Cultural Activities fee of \$164 per academic year for 2021-22.

Summary of Comprehensive Fee

	2020-21 Charge Annual Fee	Proposed 2021-22 Annual Fee
Student Activity Fee	\$ 330	\$ 330
Health Service Fee	508	557
Athletic Fee	326	362
Transportation Services Fee	192	194
Recreational Sports Fee	327	335
Student Services Fee	298	302
Student Cultural Activities Fee	173	164
Total	\$2,154	\$2,244

Comprehensive Fee Reduction for On-line Students

In recognition of students living and studying away from the Blacksburg campus, the university recommends a reduction in the comprehensive fee of \$300 per semester for full-time students enrolled in an all virtual schedule (or who have only research hours/ independent study not located on campus). Students must certify that they will reside more than 50 miles from the Blacksburg campus for the entire semester. Part-time and special session enrollment may be eligible for derivative reduction using the same eligibility requirements. Students will maintain access to service provided virtually.

Room and Board Charges

The university's Residential and Dining Programs serve students by providing on-campus housing and dining services. Generally, all entering freshmen must live on campus, and housing is

available on a limited basis for returning students who choose to live on campus. The university establishes optional room and board rates based on a derivation of the Board-approved fee to appropriately reflect costs for Summer Session and summer conferences. All students living on campus must select a meal plan, with the exception of students who elect to reside in the Oak Lane – Phase IV housing development; off-campus students may elect to participate in one of the meal plan programs.

Room Fees

An average 1.9 percent increase to room rates on the Blacksburg campus is proposed to cover planned state compensation programs, adjustments to fringe benefit rates, increased hourly wage and salary compensation, utility costs, student affairs support services, equipment and furniture replacement, increased personnel associated with residential hall operations, and residential facilities. Northern Virginia Gallery proposed rates include local operating alignments. The proposed annual room rates by location and room type are listed below:

	2020-21 Charge	Proposed 2021-22
<u>Room Fees</u>		
Double Occupancy:		
Lower Quad (Pre-1983 Dormitories)	5,254	5,356
Payne Park - Traditional - Double	5,778	5,890
Main Campbell & Newman - Double Occupancy	5,922	6,036
Hillcrest - Double Occupancy	6,366	6,490
O'Shaughnessy - Traditional Double	6,720	6,850
East & West Ambler Johnston - Traditional/Efficiency Double	6,778	6,910
Payne Park - Suite - Double	6,964	7,098
Payne Park - Suite - Double (Large Suite)	7,132	7,270
Upper Quad (Pearson & New Cadet Hall)	7,188	7,328
New Residence Hall West - Double Occupancy	7,294	7,436
Creativity & Innovation District Residence Hall - Double	N/A	7,500
East & West Ambler Johnston - Private Bath Double	7,712	7,862
Single Occupancy:		
Payne Park - Traditional - Single	7,900	8,052
Main Campbell & Newman - Single Occupancy	8,042	8,198
Hillcrest - Single Occupancy	8,654	8,822
Payne Park - Suite - Single	9,606	9,792
New Residence Hall West - Single Occupancy	9,938	10,130
Creativity & Innovation District Residence Hall - Single	N/A	10,200
Other:		
Special Purpose Housing	6,556	6,682
Graduate Life Center at Donaldson Brown - Double	7,294	7,436
Oak Lane IV	7,826	7,978
Graduate Life Center at Donaldson Brown - Single	9,938	10,130
The Gallery (NOVA) - 4-Person Unit	7,150	7,600
The Gallery (NOVA) - 3-Person Unit	7,900	8,200
The Gallery (NOVA) - 2-Person Unit	8,400	8,500

Living Learning Community Fee

The Living Learning Community Fee is an optional charge for students participating in a Living Learning Community in Hoge Hall, East & West Ambler Johnston, Pritchard Hall, Harper Hall,

O'Shaughnessy Hall, Peddrew-Yates Hall, Payne Hall, New Residence Hall East, Hillcrest Hall, and Newman Hall and Special Purpose Housing. These residence halls offer unique living and learning opportunities to the student residents who choose to pay the optional annual program fee of \$100 to support the cost of operating the program. No increase in the Living Learning Community fee is recommended for 2021-22. Living Learning Community programming will be offered in one additional residence hall in 2021-22: Creativity & Innovation District Residence Hall.

Residential Telecommunications Fee

All students living on campus pay the Residential Telecommunications Fee, which supports residential cable television service, wired network connectivity, and high-performance wireless network coverage. Residential students currently pay \$394 annually for telecommunication services. No increase in the Residential Telecommunications Fee is recommended for 2021-22.

Board Fees

Students living on-campus currently have a choice of three types of flexible meal plans. The Flex Plan operates like a debit account with a designated amount for the purchase of food in the dining facilities. Students may deposit cash to their Flex accounts to increase their balance during the year. Consistent with the purchasing power of traditional meal plans, the intent of annual rate changes for the Flex Plans is to hold overall purchasing power constant from year to year.

A 5.6 percent increase is proposed for board fees to cover planned state compensation programs, adjustments to fringe benefit rates, increased food costs, increased hourly wage compensation, utility costs, and facility maintenance and renovation projects. The proposed annual board rates by meal plan program are listed below:

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
Major Flex Plan	\$3,908	\$ 4,126
Mega Flex Plan	4,192	4,426
Premium Flex Plan	4,484	4,736

Campus Fees

Specialized campus fees are designed to cover costs that are unique to a specific campus. These fees are charges established for a specific campus which are beyond regular tuition and fees and are equal for students, both resident and nonresident.

Northern Virginia Center Student Services Fees

The Comprehensive Fee, which supports a number of on-campus services, is not charged to off-campus students. However, students attending courses at the Northern Virginia Center benefit from several of these services including the infrastructure and use of the wireless network, as well as the issuance and use of student identification cards. The current fee is \$148 per academic year. An increase of \$3 to \$151 for the 2021-22 academic year is recommended to cover network infrastructure renewal.

Roanoke Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine Student Services Fees

Students attending courses at the VTCSOM in Roanoke benefit from several of the traditional Comprehensive Fee services including the infrastructure and use of the wireless network and the issuance and use of student identification cards. These students will also have access to health and wellness services, recreational sports, and VTCSOM student government activities.

A \$49 increase is recommended for the Student Health Services component to cover counseling and wellness support. A \$3 increase is recommended to the Student Services Fee to cover network infrastructure renewal. No change is recommended for the Student Government/Activity Fee. An \$8 increase is recommended to the Recreational Sports Fee to support student access to recreational facilities. First, second, and third year medical students, (M1, M2, M3), will be assessed the Recreational Sports Fee. For 2021-22, the following VTCSOM annual student fees are recommended:

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
VTCSOM Student Services Fee	\$148	\$151
VTCSOM Health Services Fee	472	521
VTCSOM Student Government/Activity Fee	185	185
VTCSOM Recreational Sports Fee (FY22 M1, M2, M3)	327	335

Steger Center for International Scholarship Fee Rates

The Steger Center for International Scholarship (the Center) in Riva San Vitale, Switzerland, opened in the Fall of 1993. The Center serves as a resident educational facility for Virginia Tech students from many academic programs. Providing the opportunity for students to study abroad is an important strategy in strengthening the international programs of Virginia Tech, an objective of both the university and the commonwealth.

For purposes of financing the operations of the Center, two separate programs are maintained. First, all instructional costs are accounted for in the Educational and General program of the University Division. Second, the housing, dining, and student activity auxiliary enterprise programs are recorded within the university's Residential and Dining Hall System. The Ferrari Foundation, the university's Swiss subsidiary corporation, manages the day-to-day activities of the Center.

Students attending the Steger Center for International Scholarship are assessed the same tuition as on-campus students, and it is recommended that this tuition policy continue.

For housing and dining services at the Center, the proposed fees are higher than on-campus rates to reflect the higher cost of living at the Center. Students are not required to pay the Blacksburg campus Comprehensive Fee while studying abroad. A student activity fee supports students with community-building social and recreational events and activities. The current Steger Center Room & Board charge is \$7,100 per academic year, and the current Steger Center Student Activity Fee is \$100 per academic year. No increase is proposed in the Steger Center Student Activity Fee is recommended for the 2021-22 academic year. An increase of \$300 to assist with currency exchange valuation is recommended in the Steger Center Room and Board Costs for the 2021-22 academic year.

	<u>2020-21 Charge</u>	<u>Proposed 2021-22</u>
Steger Center Student Activity Fee	\$ 100	\$ 100
Steger Center Room & Board Costs	7,100	7,400

Washington-Alexandria Architecture Center Fee

To support the cost of operations and ensure the quality of the Washington-Alexandria Architecture Center (WAAC), the college recommended that a supplemental fee be assessed to Virginia Tech and WAAC Consortium students in residence at the center on a per-semester basis. This Educational & General fee helps manage the cost of instructional facilities and equipment and support students in their academic efforts in the robust curricular environment of the WAAC. No change in the per-semester fee is recommended for 2021-22, as shown below:

	<u>2020-21 Charge</u>	<u>Proposed 2021-22</u>
Full-time	\$300	\$300
Part-time	150	150

Supplemental Program Fees

Supplemental Program Fees are designed to cover costs that are unique to a specific discipline. To maintain the intent of the commonwealth's funding policies regarding the collection and allocation of tuition revenues, Program Fees are charges established for a specific program which are beyond regular tuition and fees and are equal for students, both resident and nonresident.

Architecture + Design Fee

Architecture, industrial design, interior design, and landscape architecture students in the School of Architecture + Design need access to appropriate studio equipment, academic programming, and technology. Since Fall 2008, the university has recognized this differential cost of instruction for students with majors in the School of Architecture + Design through a supplemental program fee. This fee supports costs that are unique to Architecture + Design students including: the updating of equipment and materials for instructional studios, student projects, quality enhancements, and operational support of instructional studios. No change in the supplemental fee is recommended for students admitted prior to Fall 2018. For students admitted in Fall 2018 and later, continuation of the annual fee of \$1,500 is recommended, as displayed below. The new rate will be assessed to all Architecture + Design students by Fall 2022.

	<u>2020-21 Charge</u>	<u>Proposed 2021-22</u>
<u>Entered Prior to Fall 2018</u>		
Full-time	\$949.00	\$949.00
Part-time	474.50	474.50
<u>Entering Fall 2018 & Later</u>		
Full-time	1,500.00	1,500.00
Part-time	750.00	750.00

Building Construction Fee

To ensure that the Myers Lawson School of Construction has adequate resources to staff, equip, and enhance the provisions of the Building Construction program, an annual program fee is proposed to recognize the differential cost of instruction for students in the Building Construction major. This fee is important for ensuring the necessary resources to support costs unique to Building Construction students and continued program quality including the continuing need for modernization of equipment and instrumentation for instructional space and student projects, staffing needs of the BUILD lab, required upgrades to lab space, and adequate staff support to ensure the effective maintenance of equipment and technology in the daily operation of the lab. No change in the supplemental fee is recommended for students admitted prior to Fall 2018. For students admitted in Fall 2018 and later, continuation of the annual fee of \$1,500 is recommended, as displayed below. The new rate will be assessed to all Building Construction students by Fall 2022.

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
<u>Entered Prior to Fall 2018</u>		
Full-time	\$775.00	\$775.00
Part-time	387.50	387.50
<u>Entering Fall 2018 & Later</u>		
Full-time	1,500.00	1,500.00
Part-time	750.00	750.00

Engineering Fee

To ensure that engineering students continue to receive a state-of-the-art education in a quality learning environment, the university began recognizing the higher cost of instruction in the College of Engineering (COE) through the establishment of a supplemental fee in fall 2007. This fee supports costs that are unique to College of Engineering students including: the continuing need for modernization of instrumentation and materials for instructional laboratories and student projects, instructional space costs, effective maintenance of instrumentation and technology, quality enhancements, and operation of the instructional laboratories. No change in the supplemental fee is recommended for students admitted prior to Fall 2018. For students admitted in Fall 2018 and later, continuation of the annual fee of \$2,000 is recommended, as displayed below. The new rate will be assessed to all College of Engineering students by Fall 2022.

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
<u>Entered Prior to Fall 2018</u>		
<u>Undergraduate</u>		
Full-time	\$775.00	\$775.00
Part-time	387.50	387.50
<u>Graduate</u>		
Full-time	1,049.00	1,049.00
Part-time	524.50	524.50

Entering Fall 2018 & LaterUndergraduate and Graduate

Full-time	2,000.00	2,000.00
Part-time	1,000.00	1,000.00

Pamplin College of Business Fee

Delivering a high-quality business education requires the resources to address costs unique to the Pamplin College of Business. To ensure continued excellence in the Pamplin College of Business, a per-credit hour fee was established in 2013-14 to provide dedicated resources to be utilized exclusively for the Pamplin College of Business. The fee was increased to \$75 per credit hour beginning in Fall 2018, and the university recommends a continued phasing-in of the \$75 per credit hour fee to 4000 level courses in 2021-22.

<u>Course Level</u>	<u>2020-21 Charge</u>	<u>Proposed 2021-22</u>
1000, 2000, and 3000 Level Courses	\$75.00/hour	\$75.00/hour
4000 Level Courses	\$25.00/hour	\$75.00/hour

Agriculture Fee

To ensure that the College of Agriculture has adequate resources to deliver cutting-edge, high-quality instruction and maintain critical laboratory facilities and equipment, an annual program fee was established for students in the College of Agriculture. For students admitted in Fall 2018 and later, continuation of the annual fee of \$750 is recommended, as displayed below. The new rate will be assessed to all College of Agriculture students by Fall 2022.

<u>Entering Fall 2018 & Later</u>	<u>2020-21 Charge</u>	<u>Proposed 2021-22</u>
<u>Undergraduate and Graduate</u>		
Full-time	\$750.00	\$750.00
Part-time	375.00	375.00

Course Specific Charges

The university may establish course specific charges for study abroad costs, field trips, course materials, laboratory cost, or other extraordinary costs tied to individual courses. The university avoids establishing course charges for materials and laboratory charges in programs with specialized program fees.

Graduate Degree Program Fees

Specialized graduate degree programs provide a valuable service by meeting targeted educational and professional development needs. Because both the academic units and the university have added costs associated with providing high demand specialized graduate degree programs, specialized graduate program fees address these incremental college and university costs required to deliver high quality programs. To maintain the intent of the commonwealth's funding policies regarding the collection and allocation of tuition revenues, Specialized Graduate

Program Fees are charges established for a specific graduate program, potentially at a specific location, beyond regular tuition and fees and are equal for students, both resident and nonresident.

Veterinary Medicine Facility Fee

Capital improvements have enhanced the College of Veterinary Medicine instructional space. Increased and enhanced facilities were necessary for the recruitment and retention of high-quality faculty and students. All Veterinary Medicine students are assessed a facility fee. Proceeds from the facility fee will be used exclusively for College of Veterinary Medicine instructional space improvements. No change in the fee is recommended for 2021-22, as displayed below.

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
Veterinary Medicine Facility Fee	\$1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00

Master of Public Health (MPH) Fee

The MPH fee provides resources for program-specific course development, faculty and leadership support, and instructional needs. No increase in the fee is recommended for 2021-22, as displayed below.

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
Full-time	\$525.00	\$525.00
Part-time	262.50	262.50

Master of Business Administration Fee

The Master of Business Administration (MBA) program fee, aligns pricing of the Virginia Tech MBA program and provides funding for the college's academic program and enhanced career placement services for students. This fee applies to students in the EvMBA and OMBA programs, yet is not assessed to Executive MBA or Professional MBA students (which have separate rate structures). No increase is recommended for 2021-22, as presented below:

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
MBA (On/Off-Campus)	\$175.00/hour	\$175.00/hour

Master of Science in Business Administration (MSBA) Fee

To ensure the Pamplin College of Business MSBA programs in Business Analytics (BA) and Hospitality & Tourism Management (HTM) are positioned to deliver high-quality instruction and provide experiential learning opportunities and career services to students, the university recognizes the differential cost of the MSBA-BA and MSBA-HTM programs through the assessment of a supplemental E&G program fee. This fee is assessed on a per-credit hour basis

for each credit hour taken by the student. No increase is recommended for 2021-22, as presented below:

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
Business Analytics (BA),	\$175.00/hour	\$175.00/hour
Hospitality & Tourism Management (HTM)	175.00/hour	175.00/hour

Professional & Executive Model Graduate Degree Program Fees

While similar to specialized graduate program fees, the industry standard for this type of professional education program is to be quoted in terms of a total cost for the entire program period. Programs generally span from 12 to 24 months. A new multi-year total cost is developed for each incoming cohort. The annual program fees are established as the difference between applicable tuition and fees and the total cost during the cohort period. The program fee for a cohort's second year is established when tuition and fee rates are established for that year; this can be impacted by various factors including cost assignments by the General Assembly, but are designed to honor the previously quoted total cost of the entire program period. Each Executive Model program and its total cost proposal are summarized below.

Professional Master of Business Administration (PMBA) Supplemental Fee

The PMBA program is intended for experienced working professionals to complete an MBA on a part-time basis in an accelerated format. The program is designed on the cohort model with face-to-face weekend classes (in Richmond, Roanoke, and Hampton Roads) while leveraging online technology for supplemental instructional delivery to provide flexibility for busy working professionals to complete the program over a two-year period. The Fall 2020 entering cohort is the last cohort of PMBA students; the Online MBA (OMBA) will enroll new students in its place beginning in summer 2021. The total program cost proposed for resident and Nonresident students in the PMBA program is displayed below:

Fall 2020 Cohort	Two-Year Program Cost	2020-21 Charge	Proposed 2021-22
PMBA Total Cost - Resident	\$ 45,050.00	\$ 22,525.00	\$ 22,525.00
(less) Off-Campus Tuition & Fees (*)		(15,342.00)	(15,787.00)
PMBA Fee - 2020 Resident		\$ 7,183.00	\$ 6,738.00
PMBA Total Cost –Nonresident	\$ 65,707.00	\$ 32,854.00	\$ 32,853.00
(less) Off-campus Tuition & Fees (*)		(30,338.00)	(31,200.00)
PMBA Fee – 2020 Nonresident		2,516.00	1,653.00

(*) Ext Graduate tuition rate

Executive Graduate Tuition and Fees

For new cohorts beginning in 2016-17 in the Ph.D. in Executive Business Research and Executive Master of Natural Resources, the university established an Executive Graduate tuition & fee structure comprised of Executive Graduate Tuition, the Technology Fee, the Library Fee, a Facility & Equipment Fee, and a program-specific supplemental fee. The Spring 2021 cohort of XMNR will be last XMNR cohort using this rate (new XMNR cohorts will use the Professional Graduate Tuition Rate). Executive Graduate Tuition is assessed on a per-credit basis for all credits enrolled. BXBR will continue to use the Executive Graduate tuition & fee structure. Continuing this structure for 2021-22 is recommended. Full-Time semester rates are one-half of the full-time annual rates.

	2021-22
Executive Graduate Tuition (per-credit)	\$1,689.75
Technology Fee (annual)	78
Library Fee (annual)	102
Facility & Equipment Fee (annual)	604
Program-Specific Supplemental Fee	Various

Executive Master of Natural Resources (XMNR) Supplemental Fee

In 2010-11, the College of Natural Resources expanded the existing Master of Natural Resources program delivered in the National Capital Region by adding an executive format cohort. The program is an accelerated graduate degree for working professionals with significant management experience. Program adjustments for the Spring 2022 starting cohort reduce the program cost by \$5,000 to a total cost of \$41,500. Cohorts starting before 2022 utilize the Executive Graduate tuition rate and a cohort-specific program fee to achieve a total cost for the program. Beginning in Spring 2022, cohorts will utilize the Professional Masters tuition rate to achieve the total program cost. Tuition is assessed on all credits taken. Each cohort's pricing is summarized below.

Spring 2021 Starting Cohort	Total Program Cost	Spring 2021	Summer 2021	Proposed Fall 2021
XMNR Total Cost	\$ 46,500.00	\$ 15,669.75	\$ 10,048.25	\$ 20,782.00
(less) Executive Graduate Tuition & Fees		(15,169.75)	(10,048.25)	(15,674.75)
XMNR Fee – 2021 Cohort		500.00	0.00	5,107.25

Spring 2022 Starting Cohort	Total Program Cost	Proposed Spring 2022	Summer 2022	Fall 2022
XMNR Total Cost	\$ 41,500.00	\$ 15,139.75	\$ 8,143.75	\$ 18,216.50
(less) Professional Graduate Tuition & Fees		(12,992.00)	(6,496.00)	TBD
XMNR Fee – 2022 Cohort		2,147.75	1,647.75	TBD

PhD in Executive Business Research (BXBR) Supplemental Fee

The Pamplin College of Business launched a new Ph.D. in Business with a concentration in Executive Business Research that started in Fall 2016. The three-year program is administered

through the College's Falls Church facility in the National Capital Region and provides business professionals with rigorous training in analytical and research techniques, exposure to the scholarly literature in business, and dissertation research experience that is translational in nature. The degree is marketed as a total cost program, spreading the advertised total cost over three academic years. Each new cohort will be established with Executive Graduate tuition & fees and a per-credit hour BXBR program to achieve the proposed total cost summarized below. This program fee will be assessed on a per credit hour basis in order to provide flexibility in a student's plan of study. Students taking more than the scheduled three years will continue to pay the Executive Tuition and fee rates and the BXBR supplemental fee established for their cohort.

	2021-22			
Fall 2016 Cohort				
BXBR Program Fee -				
Per Credit	\$365.00			
Fall 2017 Cohort				
BXBR Program Fee –				
Per Credit	\$323.50			
Fall 2018 Cohort				
BXBR Program Fee –				
Per Credit	\$323.50			
	Total			
	Program			
	Cost			
Fall 2019 Cohort		2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
BXBR Total Program				
Cost	\$135,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00
(less) Executive				
Graduate T&F		(33,606.75)	(33,857.00)	(34,589.75)
BXBR Program Fee Estimated Total		11,393.25	11,143.00	10,410.25
BXBR Program Fee -				
Per Credit		573.50	567.75	520.50
	Total			
	Program			
	Cost			
Fall 2020 Cohort		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
BXBR Total Program				
Cost	\$135,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00
(less) Executive				
Graduate T&F		(33,634.50)	(34,814.00)	(TBD)
BXBR Program Fee Estimated Total		11,365.50	10,186.00	TBD
BXBR Program Fee -				
Per Credit		573.50	509.25	TBD
	Total			
	Program			
	Cost			
Fall 2021 Cohort		2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
BXBR Total Program				
Cost	\$135,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00
(less) Executive				
Graduate T&F		(34,589.75)	(TBD)	(TBD)
BXBR Program Fee Estimated Total		10,410.25	TBD	TBD
BXBR Program Fee -				
Per Credit		520.50	TBD	TBD

Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA)

The EMBA program is tailored for business leaders to complete an MBA in an accelerated format. The program is designed on the cohort model with face-to-face classes every other weekend (in Arlington) to provide flexibility for busy working professionals to complete the program over a 18-month period. The program's total cost is the same for resident and nonresident students. Tuition for this program does not utilize the aforementioned tuition and fee rates, but rather assesses the total program cost in six installments to accommodate corporate sponsorship of employee tuition. For 2021-22, a total cost of \$95,000 is recommended.

	2020-21 <u>Charge</u>	Proposed <u>2021-22</u>
Executive MBA (EMBA)	\$95,000	\$95,000

Graduate Tuition Pricing Basis

As the university continues to develop and offer targeted educational opportunities to meet student and market demand, the university may elect to utilize per-credit hour tuition pricing in lieu of the traditional full/part-time pricing approach in situations where such pricing better aligns with the program delivery model. A leading example is accelerated master degrees where credit hours delivered significantly exceeds the level planned through traditional full-time programs.

Parking Fee

The General Assembly directed institutions of higher education to organize parking services as an auxiliary enterprise operation in 1989. The expenditure of General Fund dollars for the maintenance or improvement of parking lots and facilities was prohibited. Accordingly, Virginia Tech established the Parking Services Auxiliary Enterprise at the beginning of fiscal year 1989-90 and instituted a fee for faculty, staff, and students who parked in campus lots.

An average increase of 4.2 percent in the parking rate is recommended for the 2021-22 academic year. This increase is needed to cover planned state compensation programs, adjustments to fringe benefit rates, utility costs, and operating costs. The university also proposes to continue to provide a parking rate discount to encourage car-pooling and remote lot parking in an effort to reduce the amount of vehicular traffic on campus. Annual student parking fees at other Virginia doctoral institutions for 2020-21 range from \$272 to \$826 for students, dependent upon the type and proximity of parking facilities.

<u>Parking Permit Type</u>	<u>2020-21 Charge</u>	<u>Proposed 2021-22</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Faculty/Staff	\$360	\$375	\$15	4.2%
Commuter/Graduate Student	315	330	15	4.8%
Commuter/Graduate Premium	415	430	15	3.6%
Residential Student	450	470	20	4.4%

History of Tuition Legislation in Virginia

The period of 1989 to the present has been one of significant change in the level of state support, tuition policies, and rates. The substantial growth in tuition continues to be a source of increasing concern to institutions of higher education, students, parents, and state officials.

During the period of 1989 to 1996, tuition increased dramatically across the commonwealth due to the decline in General Fund support for higher education. At Virginia Tech, undergraduate tuition increased by 49 percent for resident students and 91 percent for nonresident students in the six-year period 1989-90 to 1995-96, a direct result of six rounds of reductions in state General Fund support.

In 1994 the Appropriation Act included language which established tuition rate growth caps of 3 percent for resident students and 7.5 percent for nonresident students for each year of the biennium. For 1996-97 through 1998-99, the Appropriation Act included language to freeze tuition for Virginia undergraduates at the 1995-96 level. The 1999 General Assembly approved a 20 percent reduction in tuition and mandatory Educational and General fees for Virginia undergraduate students and offset the reduction in revenue by providing new General Fund support. The 2000 Appropriation Act included language to continue tuition and mandatory Educational and General fees at 1999-00 levels for Virginia undergraduate students during the 2000-02 biennium.

To address state revenue shortfalls, language in the 2002 Appropriation Act provided authority to increase tuition and mandatory Educational and General fees for Virginia undergraduate students by 9 percent. The 2003 General Assembly allowed for the annualization of the Spring 2003 tuition increases and limited increases in tuition and mandatory Educational and General fees for Fall 2003 for Virginia undergraduate students to 5 percent plus nongeneral fund cost assignments. The authority granted by the 2004 General Assembly continues, and establishes that “The Board of Visitors . . . of institutions of higher education may set tuition and fee charges at levels they deem to be appropriate for all resident student groups based on, but not limited to, competitive market rates, provided that the total revenue generated by the collection of tuition and fees from all students is within the nongeneral fund appropriation for educational and general programs provided in the act.”

Effective July 1, 2006, the university entered into a management agreement with the Commonwealth of Virginia. A critical element of this agreement is the reaffirmation of the Board of Visitors’ authority to establish tuition and fee rates. This rate setting authority, coupled with the sum sufficient revenue authority to establish nongeneral fund appropriations as provided in the management agreement, provides a much more stable environment for planning and establishment of future tuition and fee rates.

For 2007-08, the 2007 General Assembly established a Tuition Incentive for allocation to institutions contingent upon limiting the increase of tuition and E&G fees for in-state undergraduate students to 6 percent plus in-state undergraduate financial aid. The 2008 General Assembly continued the incentive fund concept to encourage institutions to limit the in-state undergraduate tuition and E&G fee increases to 3 percent for E&G operations and 1 percent for student financial aid in 2008-09.

Language included in the 2009 budget, and continued in 2010, reiterated the intent of the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) to “mitigate the need to raise tuition

on in-state students at public colleges and universities.” As a result of this Act, the University division received over \$11 million in funding in 2009-10. This funding came along with an understanding, expressed verbally by state budget-writers, that higher education institutions would use ARRA funding to mitigate the need to increase tuition to Virginia residents beyond 5 percent.

The Governor’s Commission on Higher Education, Reform, Innovation, and Investment introduced the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2011 at the start of the 2011 General Assembly. In this legislation, institutional tuition and fee-setting authority is retained by the Board of Visitors. However, total tuition and fee revenue is limited to the aggregate cost of education for all enrolled students, minus state General Fund support. The model does allow for exclusion of Virginia resident tuition and fee revenue directed towards financial aid, an institution’s nongeneral fund share of the state mandated salary and fringe increases, improving faculty salary competitiveness, and unavoidable cost increases to ensure flexibility and inclusion of specific institutional characteristics, missions, and goals. The university is in compliance with this test; thus, the Board of Visitors retains the authority to set tuition and fee levels.

For 2019-20, the 2019 General Assembly approved a pool of funds to support “In-State Undergraduate Affordability”. Allocations of this pool are to be granted to public institutions in Virginia that maintain tuition and mandatory Educational & General (E&G) fees for in-state undergraduate students to the same levels as in 2018-19. Accepting the funding and holding in-state undergraduate tuition and E&G fees level was optional. Virginia Tech and all four-year public universities in the commonwealth accepted the funding and held in-state undergraduate tuition level for the 2019-20 academic year.

Mitigation of Tuition Dependency

Tuition increases are one component of the university’s overall resource and budget development strategy. To mitigate dependency on tuition the university continuously explores opportunities to maintain and grow enrollment in strategic market-informed disciplines and locations, invests in quality enhancements to ensure the value of a Virginia Tech degree, and seeks to diversify revenue by leveraging non-tuition sources including philanthropy and entrepreneurial activities. Tuition provides a significant portion of the university’s E&G revenue, and the price elasticity of demand is an ever-present consideration in the development process.

Summary of Tuition and Fee Rates

A summary of the recommended tuition rates is shown on Schedules 1 and 2, and a summary of fees is attached on Schedules 3 and 4. Finally, the total of all mandatory costs for students to attend Virginia Tech is detailed on Schedule 5 for undergraduate students, Schedule 6 for graduate students, and Schedule 7 for professional degree students.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the proposed tuition and fee rates be approved, effective Fall Semester 2021.

March 22, 2021

Schedule 1

**VIRGINIA TECH
2021-22 TUITION RECOMMENDATIONS
SUMMARY OF ANNUAL CHARGES**

RECOMMENDATION

	2020-21 Charge	Proposed 2021-22	Rate Increase	
			\$	%
Undergraduate Students				
Resident	\$11,420	\$11,751	\$331	2.9%
Nonresident	29,960	30,829	869	2.9%
Graduate Students				
On-Campus Programs				
Resident	13,701	14,098	397	2.9%
Nonresident	27,614	28,415	801	2.9%
Off-Campus Programs				
Resident	15,167	15,607	440	2.9%
Nonresident	29,559	30,416	857	2.9%
Veterinary Medicine				
Virginia/Maryland	21,906	22,462	556	2.5%
Nonresident	50,435	51,459	1,024	2.0%
VTC School of Medicine	53,113	54,653	1,540	2.9%

VIRGINIA TECH
2021-22 SPECIAL TUITION RATES
SUMMARY OF HOURLY RATES

	2020-21 Charge	Proposed 2021-22	Increase	
			\$	%
<u>Regular Part-Time Students (a)</u>				
<u>Undergraduate Students</u>				
Resident	\$475.75	\$489.75	\$ 14.00	2.9%
Nonresident	1,248.25	1,284.50	36.25	2.9%
<u>Graduate Students</u>				
<u>On-Campus Programs</u>				
Resident	761.25	783.25	22.00	2.9%
Nonresident	1,534.00	1,578.50	44.50	2.9%
<u>Off-Campus Programs</u>				
Resident	842.50	867.00	24.50	2.9%
Nonresident	1,642.25	1,689.75	47.50	2.9%
<u>Summer and Winter Sessions</u>				
<u>On-Campus Programs</u>				
Undergraduate Resident	428.25	440.75	12.50	2.9%
Undergraduate Nonresident	1,123.00	1,156.00	33.00	2.9%
<u>Online Graduate</u>				
<u>Tier 1</u>	-	1,075.00	N/A	N/A
Online Master of Business Administration (OMBA) (b)				
<u>Tier 2</u>	975.00	1,000.00	25.00	2.6%
Master of Information Technology (MIT)				
Master of Agricultural and Applied Economics				
<u>Tier 3</u>	900.00	925.00	25.00	2.8%
Master of Natural Resources (MNR)				
Master of Agriculture and Life Sciences (OMALS)				
<u>Tier 4</u>	825.00	850.00	25.00	3.0%
Graduate Certificate in Local Government Mgt (LGMC)				
Graduate Certificate in Leadership for an Aging Society (ASCC)				
<u>Professional/ Executive Graduate</u>				
Professional Graduate Tuition Rate (EvMBA, DAAS, MSBA-HTM, XMNF)	1,025.00	1,050.00	25.00	2.4%
Executive Graduate Tuition Rate (BXBR)	1,642.25	1,689.75	47.50	2.9%
<u>School Personnel</u>				
Undergraduate Resident	357.00	367.25	10.25	2.9%
<u>Graduate Resident</u>				
Blacksburg Campus	571.00	587.50	16.50	2.9%
Extended Campus	632.00	650.25	18.25	2.9%
<u>Study Abroad Programs (c)</u>				
Undergraduate Resident	381.00	391.75	10.75	2.8%
Undergraduate Nonresident	999.00	1,027.50	28.50	2.9%
Graduate Resident	609.00	626.50	17.50	2.9%
Graduate Nonresident	1,227.00	1,262.75	35.75	2.9%
<u>Graduate Candidacy Status (d)</u>				
Graduate Resident Blacksburg	-	705.00	N/A	N/A
Graduate Nonresident Blacksburg	-	1,420.75	N/A	N/A
Graduate Resident Extended Campus	-	780.25	N/A	N/A
Graduate Nonresident Extended Campus	-	1,520.75	N/A	N/A

(a) Part-time tuition charges for all student categories are derived from the full-time rate and are directly related to the number of credit hours taken. For tuition calculation purposes, the full-time undergraduate semester rate is divided by 12 credit hours and the full-time graduate student semester rate is divided by 9 hours.

(b) Rate effective beginning Summer semester 2021.

(c) Tuition rates for study abroad do not include students studying at the Steger Center for International Scholarship.

(d) Graduate Candidacy Status is a reduced tuition rate for doctoral students taking research and dissertation hours after completing two years of courses.

Amended: March 22, 2021

**VIRGINIA TECH
2021-22 FEE RECOMMENDATIONS
SUMMARY OF ANNUAL CHARGES**

Schedule 3

Attachment W

	2020-21 Charge	Proposed 2021-22	Increase	
			\$	%
<u>Educational and General Fee</u>				
Technology Service Fee	\$76	\$78	\$2	2.6%
Library Fee	99	102	3	3.0%
Commonwealth Facility & Equipment Fee (Nonresident Students)	604	604	0	0.0%
Immigration Services Fee (International Students)	550	550	0	0.0%
<u>Comprehensive Fee</u>				
Student Activity Fee	330	330	0	0.0%
Health Service Fee	508	557	49	9.6%
Athletic Fee	326	362	36	11.0%
Transportation Services Fee	192	194	2	1.0%
Recreational Sports Fee	327	335	8	2.4%
Student Services Fee	298	302	4	1.3%
Student Cultural Activities Fee	173	164	(9)	(5.2%)
Total Comprehensive Fee	2,154	2,244	90	4.2%
<u>Campus Fees</u>				
Northern Virginia Center Student Services	148	151	3	2.0%
Roanoke VTCSOM Student Services Fee	148	151	3	2.0%
Roanoke VTCSOM Health Services Fee	472	521	49	10.4%
Roanoke VTCSOM Student Govt/Student Activity Fee	185	185	0	0.0%
Roanoke VTCSOM Recreational Sports Fee (M1, M2, and M3)	327	335	8	2.4%
Steger Center Student Activity Fee	100	100	0	0.0%
Steger Center (Room & Board)	7,100	7,400	300	4.2%
Washington-Alexandria Architecture Center Fee	300	300	0	0.0%
<u>Room Fees</u>				
Double Occupancy:				
Lower Quad (Pre-1983 Dormitories)	5,254	5,356	102	1.9%
Payne Park - Traditional - Double	5,778	5,890	112	1.9%
Main Campbell & Newman - Double Occupancy	5,922	6,036	114	1.9%
Hillcrest - Double Occupancy	6,366	6,490	124	1.9%
O'Shaughnessy - Traditional Double	6,720	6,850	130	1.9%
East & West Ambler Johnston - Traditional/Efficiency Double	6,778	6,910	132	1.9%
Payne Park - Suite - Double	6,964	7,098	134	1.9%
Payne Park - Suite - Double (Large Suite)	7,132	7,270	138	1.9%
Upper Quad (Pearson & New Cadet Hall)	7,188	7,328	140	1.9%
New Residence Hall West - Double Occupancy	7,294	7,436	142	1.9%
Creativity & Innovation District Residence Hall - Double	N/A	7,500	N/A	N/A
East & West Ambler Johnston - Private Bath Double	7,712	7,862	150	1.9%
Single Occupancy:				
Payne Park - Traditional - Single	7,900	8,052	152	1.9%
Main Campbell & Newman - Single Occupancy	8,042	8,198	156	1.9%
Hillcrest - Single Occupancy	8,654	8,822	168	1.9%
Payne Park - Suite - Single	9,606	9,792	186	1.9%
New Residence Hall West - Single Occupancy	9,938	10,130	192	1.9%
Creativity & Innovation District Residence Hall - Single	N/A	10,200	N/A	N/A
Other:				
Special Purpose Housing	6,556	6,682	126	1.9%
Graduate Life Center at Donaldson Brown - Double	7,294	7,436	142	1.9%
Oak Lane IV	7,826	7,978	152	1.9%
Graduate Life Center at Donaldson Brown - Single	9,938	10,130	192	1.9%
The Gallery (NOVA) - 4-Person Unit	7,150	7,600	450	6.3%
The Gallery (NOVA) - 3-Person Unit	7,900	8,200	300	3.8%
The Gallery (NOVA) - 2-Person Unit	8,400	8,500	100	1.2%
Living Learning Community Fee	100	100	0	0.0%
Residential Telecommunications Fee	394	394	0	0.0%
<u>Board Fees</u>				
Major Flex Plan	3,908	4,126	218	5.6%
Mega Flex Plan	4,192	4,426	234	5.6%
Premium Flex Plan	4,484	4,736	252	5.6%
<u>Parking Fees</u>				
Faculty/Staff	360	375	15	4.2%
Commuter/Graduate Student	315	330	15	4.8%
Commuter/Graduate Premium	415	430	15	3.6%
Residential Student	450	470	20	4.4%

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**VIRGINIA TECH
2021-22 SUPPLEMENTAL PROGRAM FEES**

All charges are academic year unless otherwise noted.

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			Charge	2021-22	\$	%
<u>Program Fees</u>						
<u>Architecture + Design Supplemental Fee</u>						
Undergraduate & Graduate Enrolled Prior To Fall 2018	Full-time	\$ 949.00	\$ 949.00	0	0.0%	
	Part-time	474.50	474.50	0	0.0%	
Undergraduate & Graduate Entering Fall 2018 & Later	Full-time	1,500.00	1,500.00	0	0.0%	
	Part-time	750.00	750.00	0	0.0%	
<u>Building Construction Supplemental Fee</u>						
Undergraduate Enrolled Prior To Fall 2018	Full-time	775.00	775.00	0	0.0%	
	Part-time	387.50	387.50	0	0.0%	
Undergraduate Entering Fall 2018 & Later	Full-time	1,500.00	1,500.00	0	0.0%	
	Part-time	750.00	750.00	0	0.0%	
<u>Engineering Supplemental Fee</u>						
Undergraduate Enrolled Prior To Fall 2018	Full-time	775.00	775.00	0	0.0%	
	Part-time	387.50	387.50	0	0.0%	
Graduate Enrolled Prior To Fall 2018	Full-time	1,049.00	1,049.00	0	0.0%	
	Part-time	524.50	524.50	0	0.0%	
Undergraduate & Graduate Entering Fall 2018 & Later	Full-time	2,000.00	2,000.00	0	0.0%	
	Part-time	1,000.00	1,000.00	0	0.0%	
<u>Pamplin College of Business Supplemental Fee</u>						
Undergraduate 1000-3000 Level Courses	Per Credit Hour	75.00	75.00	0	0.0%	
Undergraduate 4000 Level Courses	Per Credit Hour	25.00	75.00	50	200.0%	
<u>Agriculture & Life Sciences Supplemental Fee</u>						
Undergraduate and Graduate Entering Fall 2018 and Late	Full-time	750.00	750.00	0	0.0%	
	Part-time	375.00	375.00	0	0.0%	
<u>Specialized Graduate Degree Programs</u>						
Veterinary Medicine Facility Fee		1,200.00	1,200.00	0	0.0%	
Master of Public Health	Full-time	525.00	525.00	0	0.0%	
	Part-time	262.50	262.50	0	0.0%	
Master of Business Administration (EvMBA, OMBA)	Per Credit Hour	175.00	175.00	0	0.0%	
Master of Science in Business Administration (MSBA)	Per Credit Hour	175.00	175.00	0	0.0%	
Concentrations in Business Analytics (BA) and Hospitality & Tourism Management (HTM)						
<u>Executive Model Graduate Degree Programs</u>						
Professional Master of Business Administration (PMBA)						
Fall 2020 Cohort						
Resident	Full-time	7,183.00	6,738.00	(a)		
	Per Credit Hour	300.00	280.75			
Nonresident	Full-time	2,516.00	1,653.50	(a)		
	Per Credit Hour	105.00	69.00			
Executive Master of Natural Resources (XMNR)						
Spring 2021 Cohort		500.00	5,107.25	(a)		
Spring 2022 Cohort			3,795.50	(a) (b)		
Executive PHD in Business Concentration in Business Research (ExPHD)						
Fall 2016 Cohort	Per Credit Hour	365.00	365.00	(a)		
Fall 2017 Cohort	Per Credit Hour	323.50	323.50	(a)		
Fall 2018 Cohort	Per Credit Hour	323.50	323.50	(a)		
Fall 2019 Cohort	Per Credit Hour	567.75	520.50	(a)		
Fall 2020 Cohort	Per Credit Hour	573.50	509.25	(a)		
Fall 2021 Cohort	Per Credit Hour		520.50	(a)		
Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA)		95,000	95,000	0	0.0%	

(a) Executive Model Graduate Degree Program fees are designed to allocate a total cost over multiple years of the program, and utilize a fee to balance the difference between the quoted price and traditional tuition and fees. Changes from year to year do not necessarily reflect a change in total program cost.

(b) Proposing Spring 2022 XMNR Cohort total price lowering \$5,000 to \$41,500 and using Professional Graduate tuition rate instead of Executive Graduate tuition rate.

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VIRGINIA TECH
TOTAL COST TO STUDENTS
Comparison of 2020-21 and 2021-22 Annual Charges

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

	2020-21 Charge	Proposed 2021-22	Increase	
			\$	%
<u>Resident</u>				
Tuition	\$11,420	\$11,751	\$331	2.9%
Educational and General Fee	175	180	5	2.9%
Subtotal Tuition and E & G Fee	11,595	11,931	336	2.9%
Comprehensive Fee	2,154	2,244	90	4.2%
Total All Residents	13,749	14,175	426	3.1%
Room (Lower Quad Dorms & Telecommunications Fee) ^(a)	5,648	5,750	102	1.8%
Board (Major Flex Plan) ^(a)	3,908	4,126	218	5.6%
Subtotal Room and Board	9,556	9,876	320	3.3%
Total Cost for Residents Living on Campus	23,305	24,051	746	3.2%
<u>Nonresident</u>				
Tuition	29,960	30,829	869	2.9%
Educational and General Fee	779	784	5	0.6%
Subtotal Tuition and E & G Fee	30,739	31,613	874	2.8%
Comprehensive Fee	2,154	2,244	90	4.2%
Total All Nonresidents	32,893	33,857	964	2.9%
Room (Lower Quad Dorms & Telecommunications Fee) ^(a)	5,648	5,750	102	1.8%
Board (Major Flex Plan) ^(a)	3,908	4,126	218	5.6%
Subtotal Room and Board	9,556	9,876	320	3.3%
Total Cost for Nonresidents Living on Campus	42,449	43,733	1,284	3.0%

(a) The majority of freshmen are housed in Lower Quad dorms and choose the Major Flex Plan.

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TOTAL COST TO STUDENTS
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	<u>2020-21</u> <u>Charge</u>	<u>Proposed</u> <u>2021-22</u>	<u>Increase</u>	
			<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
<u>GRADUATE STUDENTS</u>				
On-Campus Programs				
<u>Resident</u>				
Tuition	\$13,701	\$14,098	\$397	2.9%
Educational and General Fee	175	180	5	2.9%
Subtotal Tuition and E & G Fee	<u>13,876</u>	<u>14,278</u>	<u>402</u>	<u>2.9%</u>
Comprehensive Fee	2,154	2,244	90	4.2%
Total Cost for Residents	<u>16,030</u>	<u>16,522</u>	<u>492</u>	<u>3.1%</u>
<u>Nonresident</u>				
Tuition	27,614	28,415	801	2.9%
Educational and General Fee	779	784	5	0.6%
Subtotal Tuition and E & G Fee	<u>28,393</u>	<u>29,199</u>	<u>806</u>	<u>2.8%</u>
Comprehensive Fee	2,154	2,244	90	4.2%
Total Cost for Nonresidents	<u>30,547</u>	<u>31,443</u>	<u>896</u>	<u>2.9%</u>
Off-Campus Programs				
<u>Resident</u>				
Tuition	15,167	15,607	440	2.9%
Educational and General Fee	175	180	5	2.9%
Subtotal Tuition and E & G Fee	<u>15,342</u>	<u>15,787</u>	<u>445</u>	<u>2.9%</u>
Northern Virginia Center Student Services Fee	148	151	3	2.0%
Total Cost for Residents	<u>15,490</u>	<u>15,938</u>	<u>448</u>	<u>2.9%</u>
<u>Nonresident</u>				
Tuition	29,559	30,416	857	2.9%
Educational and General Fee	779	784	5	0.6%
Subtotal Tuition and E & G Fee	<u>30,338</u>	<u>31,200</u>	<u>862</u>	<u>2.8%</u>
Northern Virginia Center Student Services Fee	148	151	3	2.0%
Total Cost for Nonresidents	<u>30,486</u>	<u>31,351</u>	<u>865</u>	<u>2.8%</u>

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Comparison of 2020-21 and 2021-22 Annual Charges**

	2020-21 Charge	Proposed 2021-22	Increase	
			\$	%
<u>VETERINARY MEDICINE</u>				
Virginia/Maryland Students				
Tuition	21,906	22,462	556	2.5%
Educational and General Fee	175	180	5	2.9%
Comprehensive Fee	2,154	2,244	90	4.2%
Vet Med Facility Fee	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%
Total Cost for Virginia/Maryland Students	<u>25,435</u>	<u>26,086</u>	<u>651</u>	<u>2.6%</u>
Nonresident Students				
Tuition	50,435	51,459	1,024	2.0%
Educational and General Fee	779	784	5	0.6%
Comprehensive Fee	2,154	2,244	90	4.2%
Vet Med Facility Fee	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%
Total Cost for Nonresident Students	<u>54,568</u>	<u>55,687</u>	<u>1,119</u>	<u>2.1%</u>
<u>VIRGINIA TECH CARILION SCHOOL OF MEDICINE</u>				
Tuition	53,113	54,653	1,540	2.9%
Educational and General Fee	175	180	5	2.9%
VTCSOM Student Services Fees (a)	1,132	1,192	60	5.3%
Total Cost for VTCSOM Students	<u>54,420</u>	<u>56,025</u>	<u>1,605</u>	<u>2.9%</u>

(a) VTCSOM Student Services, Health Services, Student Government/Activities, and Recreational Sports fees (M1, M2, & M3 only).