Virginia Tech provides excellent educational opportunities and a well-rounded collegiate experience that helps prepare students for life.
Beginning in 1872 with 132 students and two programs of study, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, popularly known as Virginia Tech, has evolved into a comprehensive university of national and international prominence. With about 25,800 full-time students in Blacksburg and more than 2,000 other students statewide, the university produces world-class scholarship in a challenging academic environment. University tradition is firmly rooted in our motto, Ut Prosim (That I May Serve), and our historic land-grant mission is brought to life through learning, discovery, and engagement.

Learning
Virginia Tech’s challenging academic standards attract high-achieving students. Our eight colleges (Agriculture & Life Sciences, Architecture & Urban Studies, Engineering, Liberal Arts & Human Sciences, Natural Resources, Pamplin Business, Science, and Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine) and Graduate School offer more degree programs than any other university in the state with 60 undergraduate and 140 graduate offerings. Virginia Tech is one of the nation’s leaders in developing and using instructional technologies. Some 85 percent of our departments offer e-learning courses, which have attracted more than 60,000 enrollments since 1998.

Discovery
The university’s groundbreaking research transforms lives and communities. With annual research expenditures of about $290 million, Virginia Tech is ranked 55th among research universities in the United States. The university, which has more than 100 research centers, also consistently ranks among the top institutions in industry-supported research and near the top 10 in the number of patents issued each year.

The university’s nationally and internationally recognized faculty and motivated students are involved in more than 3,500 research projects in fields ranging from biotechnology to materials, from the environment and energy
to food and health, and from transportation to computing information.

**Engagement**

As part of our outreach mission and in adherence to our motto, we serve and engage the citizens of the commonwealth, the nation, and the world. Virginia Tech is involved in a multitude of economic and community development projects. These efforts focus on education and the dissemination of knowledge to the global society in which we live.

Professionals, organizations, and communities tap Virginia Tech’s vast resources, expertise, and research results through hundreds of continuing and professional education programs and five campus centers. Virginia Tech has a long history of providing innovative distance-learning techniques, such as satellite videoconferencing, multimedia, interactive

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video, interactive computer conferencing, and Web-based courses, to meet the various needs of working adults and other nontraditional students.

The Inn at Virginia Tech & Skelton Conference Center on campus and The Hotel Roanoke & Conference Center in Roanoke, both owned by Virginia Tech, support the university’s outreach mission by working with faculty to plan and host conferences and continuing education and professional programs.

Virginia Tech manages more than $30 million in funded economic development projects in 27 countries and encourages faculty members to develop global course content and study abroad opportunities for students. In 2005-06, about 1,870 students from 117 foreign countries studied at Tech, while more than 800 Virginia Tech students studied abroad.

Virginia Cooperative Extension, operated jointly in the commonwealth by Virginia Tech and Virginia State University, has been helping people improve their economic, cultural, and social well-being for more than 90 years. With 107 city/county offices, tens of thousands of volunteers, and programs across the state, Extension reaches and teaches millions of Virginians annually.

Interesting Facts

- The university’s annual budget is about $821 million.
- Virginia Tech has about 185,000 alumni from every state and about 100 countries.
- All campus facilities, including residence halls, have high-speed connections to voice, data and video communications.
- Virginia Tech is one of three public universities in the country that offers the combined advantages of a military-style leadership development program — here it is through the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets — and a traditional academic and social life.
- U.S. News & World Report ranked Virginia Tech’s undergraduate program 33rd-best among national public universities. Of all universities — public or private — it ranked Tech the 46th-best value in the country.
- Kiplinger Magazine ranked Virginia Tech the 20th-best value in public higher education in the nation.
- The National Science Foundation ranked Tech 11th in the nation in agricultural research expenditures.
- The university’s undergraduate engineering program is 14th among the nation’s engineering schools and eighth among public universities, according to U.S. News & World Report. Eight individual programs ranked in the top 25.
- The Corporate Research Center was cited for best practice of technology transfer in a national study.
- U.S. News & World Report ranked the university’s career and technical education graduate program in the School of Education third nationally and its Department of Geosciences’ graduate program in sedimentology/stratigraphy ninth in the country.
- The Pamplin College of Business undergraduate program was ranked 40th in the nation in the latest U.S. News and World Report rankings. The M.B.A. program was rated 63rd in the world by Financial Times.
- Virginia Tech consistently ranks among the top 15 schools in the nation in number of patents received.
- In its 2006 report, DesignIntelligence, the only national college ranking survey focused exclusively on design, ranked Virginia Tech’s undergraduate architecture program seventh nationally and fourth in the East. It also ranked the university’s undergraduate landscape architecture program eighth in the nation and second in the East. In addition it ranked the graduate landscape architecture program 14th in the nation and the graduate interior design program ninth.
One of America’s best college towns, Blacksburg is a perfect setting for Virginia Tech.

Located in Southwest Virginia on a plateau between the Blue Ridge and Alleghany Mountains, Blacksburg combines the laid-back lifestyle of a small town with the amenities one would expect to find in a major center of higher education. Together, the town and university have worked hard to create a progressive community that ranks among the nation’s elite living environments.

Virginia Tech and the Town of Blacksburg gained national and international attention by creating the world’s first “electronic village.” Businesses and industries have been drawn by the potential of the quaint town.

Established in 1798 by John and William Black, the town is surrounded by scenic mountain views that accentuate the area. Since its founding, Blacksburg has grown to become the largest town in Virginia.

The nearly 42,000 residents (including students) enjoy close proximity to a variety of recreation areas such as the Blue Ridge Parkway, Appalachian Trail, Claytor Lake and the New River. The region features a moderate climate and four distinct seasons.

Blacksburg’s location (adjacent to major interstate highways) provides convenient access to most points in the southern and eastern parts of the country.


Downtown Blacksburg features a Farmer’s Market (above) as well as parades for special occasions.

The Cascades waterfall (left) and hiking trail is located nearby in Giles County.

The town is surrounded by stunning mountain scenery.
Steger's leadership and vision, research activity continues to steadily increase, and the focus of the research enterprise continues to widen. Shortly after Steger took office, the university launched the Virginia Bioinformatics Institute, which in six years has already secured more than $54 million in external research funding. Virginia Tech has also partnered with a number of other universities to further leverage its research strengths and resources, including Johns Hopkins University, Wake Forest University, University of Virginia, University of Maryland, and Georgetown University.

Concurrent with the expanding research agenda, Virginia Tech remains grounded in its land grant roots. Under Steger’s leadership, the university has expanded its outreach efforts like never before. For example, Virginia Tech has partnered in a number of initiatives in Southside Virginia, including the renowned Institute for Advanced Learning and Research (IALR), which are advancing both educational and economic development opportunities. Through the IALR’s research centers, top-notch Virginia Tech faculty are conducting research in the fields of polymers, unmanned systems, high value horticulture and forestry, and motorsports engineering.

Virginia Tech is helping to provide educational opportunities for working professionals. With Steger’s guidance, Virginia Tech has tripled its on-line course offerings. Today, through distance education, the university offers more than 30 graduate degree and certificate programs, which can be accessed across the globe.

Virginia Tech remains one of the most competitive institutions in the state. The university received an all-time high of 19,001 applications for the class entering in the fall of 2006. Students offered admission for the Fall 2006 semester raised the academic bar again, with an average SAT of 1232 and an average high school GPA of 3.80. The 2006 application pool also was more diverse by gender and race. Offers of admission to members of under-represented groups increased by about seven percent. The university also established the Virginia Tech Principles of Community, which affirm the university’s commitment to civility and respect for all people.

With Steger’s leadership, the university has reaffirmed its core mission of undergraduate education. The university is dedicated to fostering a research intensive environment that offers students an opportunity to learn the scientific process while enhancing their critical-thinking skills.

Recognizing that students, upon graduation, will be entering a global economy, Virginia Tech initiated a comprehensive International Strategic Plan and has doubled the number of students participating in international education opportunities.

In his previous role as Vice President for Development and University Relations, Steger built a critical base of private support when he led the Campaign for Virginia Tech, which raised more than $337 million. Today, private support from Virginia Tech’s alumni and friends continues to play an essential role in this university community. Last year, the university raised more than $67 million, a 23.5 percent increase over the previous year. Last summer the university opened the new Inn at Virginia Tech and Skelton Conference Center, which provides an on-campus home to the university’s more than 180,000 living alumni and state-of-the-art conference facilities. The Inn and Conference Center was constructed with private funding.

Steger’s ties to Virginia Tech span five different decades as a student, professor, dean, vice president and now president. While on the faculty, he twice won teaching excellence awards. When he became dean of the College of Architecture and Urban Studies in 1981, he was, at age 33, the youngest architecture dean in the nation. His most recent publications include book chapters on the topics of the business of education and the university presidency.

Steger is immediate past-Chairman of the Virginia Council of Presidents and is currently chair of the Virginia Space Grant Consortium. He is a member of the National Council on Competitiveness and the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges. For his significant contributions to the mission of The National Conference for Community and Justice, he received the NCCJ Humanitarian Award in 2002. The New Century Technology Council awarded him its 2004 Compass Award for visionary thinking and leadership in the field of information technology.

Steger also serves on the boards of several organizations including the Carilion Biomedical Institute, the Council of Higher Education’s General and Professional Advisory Committee, the Virginia Business Higher Education Council, the World Institute for Disaster Risk Management, and the Roanoke Economic Development Partnership. In addition, he has been appointed by four Governors of Virginia to serve on various boards, study commissions and work groups including, the Steering Committee of the Governor’s Higher Education Summit, Virginia Institute for Defense and Homeland Security, Secure Virginia Initiative, the Board of the Virginia Advanced Shipbuilding and Carrier Integration Center, and the Board of Directors of the Innovative Technology Authority.

He is a Fellow in the American Institute of Architects, and holds the William C. Noland Award for distinguished service and accomplishments from the Virginia Society of the AIA. The First Virginia Chapter of the National Society of Fundraising Executives recognized him as the Outstanding Fundraising Executive in 1999.

Steger received his Bachelor of Architecture degree, Master of Architecture degree and Ph.D. in Environmental Science and Engineering from Virginia Tech.
Director of Athletics

Weaver graduated from Penn State in 1967 with a bachelor’s in psychology and rehabilitation education. He received a master’s in college counselor education, also from Penn State, in 1968. Weaver started a coaching career as an assistant at Penn State for six seasons.

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Weaver and his wife Traci have four sons — Josh, Paul, Cole and Craig.

James C. Weaver, whose innovative ideas and work as a reformer have made him one of college athletics’ most popular administrators, is the director of athletics at Virginia Tech.

Weaver, 61, was appointed on Sept. 24, 1997 and has been a tireless leader on behalf of Tech athletics. In his years on the job at Tech, Weaver has taken steps to place increased emphasis on projects benefiting student-athletes.

A top personal priority for Weaver is the continuing improvement of Tech’s facilities.

A major addition to the west side of Lane Stadium opened this summer. In addition to luxury suites and other game day amenities, the structure houses a ticket office, athletic fund offices, an Athletics Hall of Fame and a new student academic services area.

Weaver presided over Tech’s move into the Atlantic Coast Conference in 2004-05, when Virginia Tech and Miami were officially introduced as the 10th and 11th members of the ACC, effective July 1, 2004.

Weaver renegotiated Tech’s multimedia rights contract with ISP Sports, creating a new business relationship and enhanced revenue for the athletics department. In the Fall of 2000, Weaver arranged a joint venture with ISP to commit $2 million to purchase new scoreboards, upgrade sound systems, install an L.E.D. video display screen at Lane Stadium (which was enlarged for the 2005 season) and place two wall-mount L.E.D. video screens in Cassell Coliseum.

Weaver came to Tech from Western Michigan University where he was director of athletics from January, 1996 until he came to Blacksburg. Prior to that, he was AD for three and a half years at UNLV, where he reconstructed a troubled athletic department.

Weaver brings a “Penn State mentality” to the position. He says that various schools’ interest in him as a reformer through the years can be traced to Penn State and its reputation for how it conducts business in intercollegiate athletics.

It was with the Nittany Lions’ football team that Weaver first made a name for himself in athletics. He was a center and linebacker on Penn State teams coached by the legendary Rip Engle and Joe Paterno.

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BASKETBALL, MEN’S
Head Coach ...................................... Seth Greenberg
Assistant Coaches .................................... To be named

BASKETBALL, WOMEN’S
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Assistant Coaches .................................... Shelle Greenman, Bobbie Ketley, Stacey Cantley
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SOCCER, WOMEN’S
Head Coach ...................................... Kelly Eagle
Assistant Coaches .................................... To be named

SPORTSMAN’S HONEYSUCKLE
Head Coach ...................................... Jay Hardwick
Assistant Coach ..................................... Brian Sharp

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Head Coach ...................................... To be named
Assistant Coaches .................................... To be named

SOCCER, MEN’S
Head Coach ...................................... To be named
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SOCCER, WOMEN’S
Head Coach ...................................... Kelly Eagle
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