This Is Tech
The main Virginia Tech campus is located in Blacksburg, Va., about 38 miles southwest of Roanoke, Va.

If You're Coming by Car...

To reach the campus from Interstate 81:
- Take Exit 118 (Christiansburg) onto U.S. Rt. 460 West.
- Remain on 460 West to Virginia Tech.
- Take the Virginia Tech exit (314 East) off U.S. 460.
- A large campus map is located just after the Rt. 314 East campus entrance, and a Visitor Information Center is on the right a quarter of a mile farther down the road.

Parking

Visitor parking permits are available at the Information/Visitors Center on Southgate Drive (Rt. 314) just off the 460 Bypass. Visitor parking passes are not needed on Saturdays and Sundays. Permits are also available through some university departments. These permits allow visitors to park in areas designated for faculty, staff, or students.

Some metered spaces and a few visitor’s spaces are available near Burruss Hall. Visitor permits do not permit free parking at metered spaces. Visitors may also park in the Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center parking lot.

If You’re Coming by Air ...

Roanoke Regional Airport in Roanoke, Va., is served by major domestic airlines. Several companies provide transportation between the airport and campus. Private planes may land at the Virginia Tech Airport near campus.

Blacksburg Limousine Service .................... (540) 951-3973
Roanoke Airport Limousine Service Inc. ..... 1-800-288-1958
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web http://www.pasn.vt.edu/ap

More information and maps are available on the Virginia Tech web page at: http://www.unirel.vt.edu/directions/VTDirections.html
Since its founding in 1872, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, commonly known as Virginia Tech, has grown to become the state's largest university and its top research institution.

Located in Blacksburg on a plateau 2,100 feet above sea level near the Blue Ridge Mountains, Virginia Tech has evolved into a comprehensive university of national and international prominence.

Virginia Tech was established as an all-male military school dedicated to the original land-grant mission of teaching agriculture and engineering. Today it is a coeducational, top-50 research institution with accomplished programs in music, business, architecture, and the humanities, as well as its traditional strengths in the sciences and technology. It is a world-recognized leader in the field of information/communications technology and biotechnology.

The university is organized into eight colleges: College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, College of Architecture and Urban Studies, College of Arts and Sciences, Pamplin College of Business, College of Engineering, College of Human Resources and Education, College of Natural Resources, and Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. Together, these eight colleges offer about 220 bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degree programs.

The university’s 2,600-acre main campus has more than 100 campus buildings, hundreds of research laboratories, the Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center and an airport. Next to campus is the 120-acre Corporate Research Center. Within five miles of campus is a 1,700-acre research farm.

While participation in the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets is no longer mandatory, the corps remains a proud tradition of the university with some 650 cadets. Virginia Tech and Texas A&M are the only two schools in the nation with a military component inside a larger civilian population.

Many of Virginia Tech's traditions and strengths are rooted in the university's motto, Ut Prosim: "That I May..."
Tech at a Glance

- Eight colleges and graduate school
- 70+ bachelor’s degree programs
- Nearly 150 master’s and doctoral degree programs
- 25,000+ students, making it the largest in the commonwealth
- 16:1 student-faculty ratio
- Main campus includes 100 buildings, 2,600 acres and airport
- Computing and communications complex for worldwide information access
- Among the Top 50 research institutions in United States
- Has adjacent corporate research center

Virginia Tech

Serve,* and its land-grant missions of instruction, research, and solving the problems of society through public service and outreach activities. Virginia Tech is a creator of new information and has a mandate of disseminating that practical knowledge through the classroom and to society as a whole. It is a university that puts knowledge to work.

Instruction

Eight colleges offer more degree programs than any other university in the state, with 71 undergraduate and 147 graduate programs. In addition, Virginia Tech is one of the nation’s leaders in integrating instructional technology into the curriculum through its nationally recognized Faculty Development Institute. The university’s effort to restructure the teaching of core mathematics courses has been hailed as an innovative way to break the credit-for-contact model of classroom instruction.

Research

With annual research expenditures of about $170 million, Virginia Tech consistently ranks among the top 50 research universities in the United States. With more than 100 research centers, the university also consistently ranks among the top institutions in industry-supported research and in the top 10 in the number of patents issued each year.

Fun Facts

- The next time you think you have a large lawn to mow, compare it to Virginia Tech’s 2,000 acres of maintained grounds, and your job will seem smaller.
- Ten miles of electric cable keep the lights on and the computers humming.
- With 8,681 students housed in 36 residence halls, Tech has the 14th largest housing program in the country.
- Creating a true global village, voice, video and high-speed Ethernet service is delivered to each room.
- Virginia Tech has the 11th largest dining program in the country, serving 17,000 students, faculty and staff 3.6 million meals per year.
- In the dining centers last year, 284,380 hamburgers were served. Also, at one dining hall shop, 6,709 pounds of coffee beans were roasted. And each week, the campus bakery makes about 3,780 donuts.
- It takes $34 million and 1,540 employees to house and feed Virginia Tech students. Compared to other area universities and colleges, housing and dining are competitively priced and rank among the lowest in the state.

Public Service

As part of its public service mission, Virginia Tech is involved in a multitude of outreach projects. For example, it spawns economic development, helps global marketing efforts, investigates better uses for strip-mined land, helps clean the Chesapeake Bay and other state waterways, directs reforestation in Senegal—and the list goes on.

Outreach efforts also focus on education and the distance learning techniques — satellite videoconferencing, multimedia, interactive video, interactive computer conferencing, web-based courses, etc. — to meet the various needs of working adults and other nontraditional students. Professionals, organizations and communities also tap Virginia Tech’s vast resources, expertise and research results through the Division of Continuing Education, which offers hundreds of programs annually.

The Cooperative Extension Service, 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 80 years now. With 107 city/county offices and more than 61,000 volunteers and 160 programs, Extension reaches and teaches one million Virginians annually.
Virginia Tech is the state’s largest university and consistently ranks as one of the top 50 research institutions in the country. It is a university that puts knowledge to work in a variety of ways by:

- attracting talented faculty members and students who follow a focused, practical agenda in their pursuit of knowledge;
- producing ideas and innovations through an aggressive interdisciplinary approach;
- creating partnerships and alliances with public agencies, the private sector, and other educational institutions to meet the challenges of the 21st century;
- leading the world in communications, information and instructional technology.

Here’s how:

The wireless internet
In early 1998, Virginia Tech became the first university in the nation to participate in a Federal Communications Commission spectrum auction and was awarded four LMDS licenses covering 16,507 square miles of Virginia, and portions of North Carolina and Tennessee. The region has an estimated population of 1.6 million.

Known as the Local Multipoint Distribution Service, LMDS offers the promise of broad-bandwidth Internet access through the wireless spectrum. Working with other license holders and LMDS service providers, Virginia Tech has established a consortium to research the equipment and technology necessary to fully exploit LMDS applications in both rural and urban communities. Virginia Tech intends to develop this technology for the benefit of rural and mountainous regions of the country.

Net.Work.Virginia
In 1996, Virginia Tech, Bell Atlantic, and Sprint announced the deployment of what was the most sophisticated high-speed computing network in the United States. Net.Work.Virginia is the architectural prototype for the Internet II initiative. More than 200 state or local government agencies have signed up on the network.

Fiber and Electro-Optics Research Center
The FEORC is home to the nation’s largest educational fiber-optics group. The center is supported by more than 30 research sponsors and has received significant grants, including a $9.6-million grant in 1998 from the Naval Research Laboratory. Projects involve fiber devices, materials, and sensors, with an emphasis on high-speed data transmission.

Transgenic animals
Virginia Tech was one of the first universities in the world to develop a transgenic animal and the first to create a transgenic pig. This effort made Tech one of the first to produce a human pharmaceutical protein in the milk of pigs. Virginia Tech biotechnology leadership has made it a mecca for the world’s foremost biotechnology companies.

Transportation
Virginia Tech and the Commonwealth of Virginia are building the nation’s first “Smart Road” from the ground up. The 6-mile highway is being developed as a test bed for new transportation technology and, in time, as a special corridor route for public transportation in southwestern Virginia. In addition to implanted sensing devices in the highway, the road will be able to generate snow, sleet, rain and fog on demand.

The Virginia Tech Transportation Institute is the largest research center at Virginia Tech. The institute is a federally designated ITS Research Center of Excellence, a participant in the Mid-Atlantic University Transportation Centers Program, and manager of the “Smart Road.”
Burruss Hall
The cornerstone for Virginia Tech’s main administration building (named for the university’s eighth president, Julian Ashby Burruss [1919-45]) was laid at the 1935 commencement. The building, which includes a 3,000-seat auditorium, has been expanded twice over the years.

Drillfield
Throughout its history, the Drillfield has been used for a variety of purposes, including horticulture gardens and playing fields. It was known by various names until 1926, when it officially became the Drillfield. Strouble’s Creek, which once ran open through the southern portion of the field, was covered in 1934.

Duck Pond
The Duck Pond provides a peaceful respite for students and visitors — as well as for dozens of ducks and geese. The pond was created in 1937. A smaller pond, just north of the Duck Pond, is known as the Ice Pond — so called because it was the source of ice for cadets until a refrigeration plant opened in 1898-99.

Memorial Chapel
This 350-seat chapel was completed in 1960. The upper level contains eight pylons sculpted from Indian limestone. They represent Brotherhood, Honor, Leadership, Sacrifice, Service, Loyalty, Duty and Ut Prosim, which is the university’s motto: “That I May Serve.”

Smithfield Plantation House
Col. William B. Preston established the Smithfield estate — named for his wife, Susanna Smith — in 1772 after an earlier settlement known as Draper’s Meadow was wiped out in an Indian massacre. The oldest part of the existing house was built in 1790. Smithfield is a state historic landmark and is open for tours April through November. Call (540) 951-2060 for more details.

Squires Student Center
Squires is the focus of campus student activity as well as the hub of much of the performing and visual arts at the university. It contains theaters, the Perspective Art Gallery, the Black Cultural Center, pool tables, bowling lanes, restaurants, and the administrative offices for most of the student organizations. The original Squires was built in 1937 and it has undergone major renovations since, but the facade of the original building is visible in the second-floor lobby area.

Student Population at a Glance
The most popular majors for incoming freshmen in the fall of 1999 were: Engineering, University Studies, Computer Science, Biology, Business, Architecture, Communication Studies, Animal & Poultry Sciences, Psychology, and Management Science & Information Technology.
Fifty-one countries and 45 states (plus Washington D.C., and the Virgin Islands) were represented in the Tech student population. Fifty-eight percent of the student population is male and 42 percent female.
On January 7, 2000, Dr. Charles W. Steger became the 15th President of Virginia Tech, replacing long-time president, Dr. Paul E. Torgersen, who retired at the beginning of the year. Steger possesses both breadth and depth of experience in all three missions of the university: teaching, research and outreach. In addition, he has extensive international experience combined with a long history of engagement with both state and federal governments.

Steger’s record of unique accomplishment reveals a visionary thinker with concrete achievements. He is directly responsible for the creation of the Center for European Studies and Architecture in Switzerland and the Washington-Alexandria Center for Architecture just outside the nation’s capital.

He heightened the visibility of Virginia Tech in the state capital by establishing Virginia Tech’s Public Service Office in downtown Richmond. Because of his activities throughout the state, he is well known by state, city and county officials.

Steger’s ties to Virginia Tech span four decades. He has been a student, teaching faculty, academic department head, college dean, vice president and now president. While a faculty member, he won two teaching excellence awards. When he became dean of the College of Architecture and Urban Studies (CAUS) in 1981, he was the youngest dean of any college of architecture in America. During his 12-year tenure as dean, degree programs in public administration and urban affairs were consolidated from across the university into the CAUS.

For his contributions to the profession in the field of architectural education and research, he was inducted into the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) in 1990, and received the Distinguished Achievement Award of the Virginia Society of AIA in 1996.

In the area of research, Steger was the principal investigator on over $1.0 million in grants that principally focused on the area of strategic planning. Under his leadership as dean, the college’s research program grew three-fold to become one of the largest research programs of any school of architecture in the country.

In support of the extension and outreach mission of the university, Steger’s principal contributions occurred in the role of acting vice president for public service, a position he held concurrently during the last three years that he was dean of the College of Architecture and Urban Studies. This office was responsible for all continuing education activities and facilities, as well as economic development initiatives of the university. During that period, continuing education was restructured and experienced a financial turnaround, generating profits rather than losses.

Steger has played an active role in shaping the future of the university. In 1986 he chaired the President’s ad hoc Committee on Mission and Purpose of the university, which wrote the Statement of Mission and Purpose that is still used by the university today. He chaired the Committee on Strategic Planning, which developed the institution’s process for strategic planning, and was a member of the committee which developed the first core curriculum for Virginia Tech in 1981. He also served on the Executive Committee of the Virginia Tech Athletic Fund during the period when it was converted to a university department. In 1989, he chaired the University Committee on the Impact of Digital Technologies on the Teaching-Learning Environment.

Steger’s contributions to the evolution of a diverse community have come in several forms. Steger was instrumental in making possible the national design competition to recognize the women who served in the United States military. He joined the noted White House correspondent, Helen Thomas, at the National Press Club to announce the winners of the competition. The monument is located at the entry to Arlington National Cemetery. Steger was also one of the founding directors of the International Archive of Women Architects.

In an effort to assist the broader minority community, Steger was instrumental in obtaining a $900,000 grant from the Kellogg Foundation to conduct training programs to assist African-American community organizations. On the local level he facilitated the $250,000 gift of the Christiansburg Institute to the newly formed Christiansburg Institute Alumni Association.

In Steger’s former position as vice president for development and university relations, the university completed a $337.4 million campaign, thereby exceeding the $250 million goal by 35 percent to become by far the most successful fundraising effort in the university’s history. Over 71,000 donors and 500 volunteers participated in this six-year nationwide effort led by Steger.

Steger has been appointed by two governors of Virginia to serve on various study commissions and work groups. The most recent was the Governor’s Commission on Population Growth and Development, where he served on the executive committee of the Commission. He also was a member of the Board of Trustees of Hollins University. In addition, he currently serves as president of the Endowment Foundation for the Western Virginia Foundation for the Arts and Sciences (known as Center in the Square) in Roanoke. Steger also is a director on the Boswil Foundation in Zürich, Switzerland.

Last November, Steger received the Outstanding Fund Raising Executive Award given by the First Virginia Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives at its 1999 National Philanthropy Day Awards Dinner.

Most recently, he has been asked by the Swiss Ambassador to the United States and The World Bank to serve on a committee to establish a foundation in the United States to conduct research on mitigating global natural disasters.

Steger, 52, and his wife, Janet, have two sons, David and Christopher.
Throughout the years, the town of Blacksburg and Virginia Tech have worked hand in hand to create a better community. Established as a farming community in 1798 by John and William Black, the town has thrived to rank among the nation’s elite living environments.

In addition to being home to the Tech campus, Blacksburg was ranked among the top 20 retirement locations in the United States by Rand McNally. Local businesses and industries are drawn to the potential this quaint town has to offer. More than 800 businesses are currently located in Blacksburg, with approximately 10 new business licenses issued each month. Blacksburg is gradually becoming more developed, making room for more businesses to flourish, however, the level of development is carefully controlled. There is particular attention paid to the unique balance that preserves the atmosphere of a small town.

Blacksburg is located on a plateau between the Blue Ridge Mountains and the Alleghany Mountains, 2,100 feet above sea level. It is easily accessible in Southwestern Virginia on U.S. 460 near Interstate 81, only 40 miles southwest of Roanoke. Residents enjoy the close proximity to a variety of recreation areas such as the Blue Ridge Parkway, Claytor Lake and the New River.

The town is surrounded by scenic mountain views that accentuate the area. Blacksburg is blessed with a moderate climate. The average temperature is 51 degrees Fahrenheit, with monthly averages of 50.6 F in the spring, 69 F in the summer, 52.7 F in the fall and 31.9 F in the winter.

Tech and Blacksburg have combined to form the “Electronic Village,” boasting...
a highly computerized and technological community. Tech ranks first among public universities in the United States as an educational user of installed personal computers with more than 12,000 PCs and 3,000 terminals on campus. In fact, the campus has more PCs than telephones.

Tech also works closely with the community through several different organizations. University students run committees of the local YMCA and aid in facilitating community interests with the Open University Program.

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**Homecoming in Blacksburg**

Blacksburg’s charm as a college town is unmistakable, and at no time is this more evident than during Virginia Tech’s annual Homecoming festivities. Tens of thousands of alumni and fans enjoy a weekend of reuniting with old friends and making new ones. Game day begins with a parade down Main Street in the morning (pictured).

The highlight of the day, of course, is the football game at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field. The atmosphere is charged by both university bands, the cheerleaders, and the HokieBird keeping the crowd of over 50,000 Tech fans excited.

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The town of Blacksburg is located in the southwestern part of Virginia, about 40 miles west of the city of Roanoke. This location offers pleasant summers and mild winters. The surrounding countryside provides opportunities for hiking on the Appalachian Trail, sailing on nearby Claytor Lake, or canoeing on a number of whitewater rivers in the area.

Blacksburg has a population of about 36,000 (including students), and offers the many advantages of small-town life. Its location (adjacent to three major interstate highways) provides convenient access to most points in the southern and eastern parts of the country.

More information on Blacksburg can be found on the web site of the Blacksburg Electronic Village, [www.bev.net](http://www.bev.net) or the town’s web site, [www.blacksburg.va.us](http://www.blacksburg.va.us)
Jim Weaver
Director of Athletics

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, 55, was appointed on September 24, 1997 and has been a tireless leader in behalf of Tech athletics. In his three years on the job at Tech, Weaver has taken steps to place increased emphasis on projects benefiting student-athletes. He created a comprehensive awards program for letterwinners and has initiated and funded an annual awards banquet.

Weaver’s biggest accomplishment thus far has been getting Tech admitted into an all-sports conference. Tech enters competition in the BIG EAST Conference for most sports during the 2000-2001 season.

A top personal priority for Weaver is the area of facilities, where he has major plans for the expansion of Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

Already complete is the expansion of the North end zone for the 2000 season that will total over 5,000 permanent seats. South end zone bleachers will be replaced by permanent double-deck stands with seating for approximately 12,000 fans.

Weaver will oversee the construction of new athletic fields, and video boards for both Lane Stadium and Cassell Coliseum in 2000-2001.

Weaver was the key figure in reaching a four-year agreement with UVa in bringing the basketball games back to campuses for the first time since 1976. He also realigned the senior administrative staff to further promote the development of a broad-based athletics department. A dormant Monogram Club was revitalized under his direction, providing Hokie letterwinners of all eras a renewed link to Tech Athletics. He also toughened the Hokies’ non-conference football schedules, a move that gained real favor from Tech fans.

Weaver renegotiated Tech’s multimedia rights contract with ISP, creating a new business relationship and enhanced revenue for the athletics department.

Much to the delight of Hokie fans, Weaver was responsible in re-signing head football coach Frank Beamer to additional contract terms that will ensure his tenure at Tech for the duration of his collegiate coaching career.

Jim 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.

“Jim Weaver was the unanimous choice of our search committee,” retired Tech President Paul Torgersen said at a Blacksburg news conference when the new AD was introduced. “The committee was searching for someone with extensive Division I experience, a commitment to compliance, a commitment to gender equity, a commitment to all 21 varsity sports and a vision for conference alignment.”

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.

A native of Harrisburg, Pa., Weaver was recruited to Penn State by Engle. He played three seasons under Engle and one under Paterno, who is still the coach of the Nittany Lions.

“I learned a lot from Joe Paterno,” Weaver says. “One thing he said certainly has stuck with me. ‘You either get better or you get worse. You never stay the same.’”

Weaver graduated from Penn State in 1967 with a bachelor’s in psychology and rehabilitation education. He received a master’s degree in college counselor education, also from Penn State, in 1968.

Weaver started a coaching career as an assistant at Penn State for six seasons. During that time, the Lions played in five bowl games — the Cotton, Gator, Sugar and Orange (twice).

He later was the offensive coordinator at Iowa State and head coach for one season at Villanova in 1974. He also spent five years as an assistant professor at Clarion State and three years as director of franchise sales at Athletic Attic.

Prior to landing the athletic director’s job at UNLV, Weaver spent nine years at the University of Florida which was sanctioned by the NCAA in 1983. He was a strong force at Florida in the field of compliance and concluded his time there as associate athletic director.

Weaver was hired at UNLV after a series of NCAA infractions were made public. He implemented a compliance and monitoring program, produced a departmental policy manual and initiated a Life Skills program. He also oversaw the construction of an $8.5 million athletic complex and a $1.4 million baseball stadium at UNLV.

He drew rave reviews at UNLV for his fund-raising expertise. He generated nearly $15 million in his time there.

While at Western Michigan, Weaver announced creation of a $7 million football center, stabilized fluctuating revenues and installed a CHAMPS Life Skills program.

Weaver and his wife Traci have three sons — Josh, Paul and Cole.
Athletics Administrators

Sharon McCloskey
Senior Associate Athletics Director and Senior Woman Administrator

Responsibilities:
Department administrator for football and men’s and women’s basketball. Oversees strength and conditioning, sports medicine and equipment room.

Joined VT Staff: 1984

Record at Virginia Tech:
Senior associate athletics director (since 1995) and senior woman administrator (since 1988); interim athletics director (1997); assistant athletics director (1992-95); first woman in college athletics to hold position of recruiting coordinator in Division I (1988-92); Virginia Tech football office receptionist and recruiting secretary (1984-88)

Education: Virginia Tech, 1979

Of Note: McCloskey may also be one of the few women in college athletics who has been an advance person for away football games. It is her responsibility to arrange for hotel rooms, meals, meeting rooms, police escorts and air and ground transportation for the team.

As Tech’s liaison for NCAA certification, a process the NCAA uses to ensure integrity in collegiate athletics, McCloskey coordinates periodic department self-study and review teams.

David Chambers
Associate Athletics Director for External Affairs

Responsibilities: Directly supervises marketing and promotions, sports information, the ticket office, hokiesports.com and hokiesports.com — the newspaper. Chambers is the department’s liaison with ISP Sports, the exclusive multi-media and advertising rights holder for Virginia Tech athletics.

Joined VT Staff: 1998

Prior to Virginia Tech:
Senior associate (1995-98) and associate (1993-95) director of athletics at UNLV; acting associate director for external affairs at UNLV (1994-95); director of NCAA compliance at UNLV (1992-93); NCAA legislative assistant (1990-92); administrative assistant, University of Iowa Department of Athletics (1985-86).

Education: Wake Forest, 1989 (juris doctor); University of Iowa, 1985 (master’s); University of Iowa, 1983 (undergraduate).

Of Note: Chambers was a member of the Iowa football team, and played on three postseason bowl squads:Rose, Peach and Gator. A former quarterback, he moved to defense and lettered at strong safety in 1982 and as a starter in 1983. Chambers received his master’s degree in educational measurement and statistics. He was named to the Big 10 All-Academic squad in 1983 and received the prestigious Forest Evashevski Scholarship Achievement Award, as well as the R.E. Romney Memorial Scholarship and the Ben Trickey Memorial Scholarship.

Chambers became licensed to practice law in North Carolina in February, 1990.

Tom Gabbard
Associate Athletics Director for Internal Affairs

Responsibilities: Tom Gabbard is in charge of new construction and maintenance, supervises Tech’s facilities managers and game operations and oversees the sports of golf, men’s and women’s tennis and men’s and women’s track and cross country.

Joined VT Staff: 1998

Prior to Virginia Tech:
Assistant athletics director for administration at UNLV (1996-1998); director of administration at UNLV (1992-96);

Education: University of Florida, 1968

Of Note: Gabbard has directed NCAA regionals and conference championships at both Virginia Tech and UNLV. Gabbard and Jim Weaver were instrumental in several major facilities projects at UNLV, including the construction of the Lied Athletic Complex, Wilson Baseball Stadium, Fertitta Tennis Complex and the Redd Basketball Offices.

Gabbard came into athletics due to his extensive experience with
building construction. He had a 20-year career with a large real estate firm in Florida before joining Weaver’s staff at UNLV. As a company vice president, Gabbard was involved in finding sites and overseeing construction, primarily for commercial land development.

While in Florida, Gabbard devoted part of his time to car racing. After starting out as a pit crew member, he later raced at Daytona and Sebring.

Gabbard is a Vietnam veteran (1970-71) who achieved the rank of first lieutenant in the U.S. Army’s artillery branch.

Currently, Gabbard enjoys playing tennis in his spare time.

Family: Wife Nancy; children Eric and Cindy (Haggerty); two grandchildren.

Jon Jaudon
Associate Athletics Director for Administration

Responsibilities: Jon Jaudon is responsible for the areas of sport administration, compliance and student life, while also serving as the department’s liaison to the provost’s office for athletic academic advising. He oversees the sports of baseball, lacrosse, men’s and women’s soccer, softball, men’s and women’s swimming and diving, volleyball and wrestling.

Joined VT Staff: 1999
Prior to Virginia Tech:
Assistant athletics director, University of Texas at Austin (1997-1999); academic counselor at UT Austin (1991-1997); academic counselor at University of Florida (1985-1991)

Education: University of Florida, 1985 (master’s); University of Florida, 1983 (undergraduate)

Of Note: At Texas, Jaudon oversaw the academic programs for all of men’s athletics. During his tenure at Texas, he personally counseled athletes in football, basketball and baseball.

Texas enjoyed unprecedented academic success during Jaudon’s years of service. In 1996, Jaudon earned the James W. Vick Texas Excellence Award for academic advising.

A native of Bradenton, Fla., Jaudon worked as an academic counselor at the University of Florida before going to Texas.

Jaudon also coached baseball at Sante Fe Community College (1983-85).

Family: Wife Marcia, daughter Megan and son Jared.

Randy Butt
Director of Financial Services

Responsibilities: Randy Butt manages budgets for the various offices and oversees all athletics department financial transactions and the daily operation of the business office.

Joined VT Staff: 1986

Pam Linkous
Human Resources Coordinator

Responsibilities: Pam Linkous is charged with developing programs that attract and retain quality employees for athletics. She handles all work related to personnel for athletics.

Joined VT Staff: 1995

Peg Morse
Director of Internet and Computer Services

Responsibilities: Peg Morse directs the development and content of the official Virginia Tech Athletics website, hokiesports.com. She also manages the department’s information systems. Morse serves as sponsor for the HighTechs and the HokieBird.

Joined VT Staff: 1985

Dave Smith
Sports Information Director

Responsibilities: Dave Smith directs the operations of the Sports Information Office, which handles all duties pertaining to the news media for Virginia Tech’s 21 varsity sports.

Joined VT Staff: 1975
Assistant Directors

Tim East
Assistant Athletics Director for Marketing & Promotions

Responsibilities: Tim East oversees all marketing and promotional aspects for Tech’s 21 varsity sports. His main responsibility is to coordinate the development and implementation of marketing and promotional strategies designed to increase ticket sales, game attendance and to increase awareness of the athletics department.

Joined VT Staff: 1994;
Assistant athletics director (since 1996); director of marketing and promotions (1995); director of promotions (1994).

Prior to Virginia Tech:
Marketing manager for VP International, publisher of Golf Illustrated magazine (1991-94); associate athletic development and marketing director at Long Beach State (1988-91); assistant director of marketing and promotions at the University of Miami (1986-88).

Education:
St. Thomas University, 1987 (master’s); Florida State, 1985 (undergraduate).

Of Note: Football season ticket sales have increased every year since East has been directing the annual ticket campaign. In fact, new all-time sales records have been established in each of the past six seasons. Currently, East enjoys traveling and playing golf in his spare time.

Mike Gentry
Assistant Athletics Director for Athletic Performance

Responsibilities: Mike Gentry is the administrator who oversees the strength and conditioning training of athletes in all 21 varsity sports at Virginia Tech. He is directly involved in the training of the football and women’s basketball teams and manages programs for nutrition.

Joined VT Staff: 1987

Prior to Virginia Tech:
Head strength coach at East Carolina (1982-87); assistant strength coach at North Carolina (1980-82)

Education:
Virginia Tech, 1999 (doctorate); North Carolina, 1981 (master’s); Western Carolina University, 1979 (undergraduate).

Sandy Smith
Director of Ticketing Services

Responsibilities: Sandy Smith is in charge of the entire Tech athletics ticket operation, including the sale and distribution of tickets to Tech football and basketball games and other athletics events.

Joined VT Staff: 1991

Cara Walters
Facilities and Game Operations Coordinator

Responsibilities: Cara Walters manages all game operations for the athletics department and assists with the department’s facilities operations.

Joined VT Staff: 1987

Tim Parker
Assistant Athletics Director for Compliance

Responsibilities: Tim Parker’s primary function is to ensure that the department is in full compliance with the rules and regulations of the NCAA and BIG EAST Conference.

Joined VT Staff: 1997

Prior to Virginia Tech:
Associate executive director of the Patriot League (1995-97); assistant commissioner of the Mid-American Conference (1992-95); assistant director of communications and compliance in the Metro Conference (1988-92)

Education:
Richmond, 1989 (master’s); Lynchburg College, 1984 (undergraduate)

Family: Wife Michele; children Trevor and Megan.

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Associate Director of Athletics/Senior Woman Administrator Sharon McCloskey ................................................................. 231-3977
Associate Director of Athletics for External Affairs David Chambers ................................................................. 231-2371
Associate Director of Athletics for Internal Affairs Tom Gabbard ................................................................. 231-6265
Associate Director of Athletics for Administration Jon Jaudon ................................................................. 231-5497
Assistant Director of Athletics for Compliance Tim Etes ................................................................. 231-5497
Assistant Director of Athletics for Football Operations John Ballein ................................................................. 231-9991
Assistant Director of Athletics for Marketing and Promotions Tim East ................................................................. 231-6600
Assistant Director of Athletics for Athletic Performance Mike Gentry ................................................................. 231-2984

BUSINESS OFFICE
Director of Financial Affairs .................. Randy Butt ................................................................. 231-7530
Human Resources Manager ................. Pam Linkous ................................................................. 231-3142
Accountant ......................................................... Michelle Collins ................................................................. 231-6553
Fiscal Technician Senior .................. Michelle Collins ................................................................. 231-6590
Fiscal Assistant ........................................ Jean Vaughan ................................................................. 231-6728

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT
Administrative Staff Assistant .................. To be named ................................................................. 231-3977
Secretary, Internal Affairs .................. Margaret Brown ................................................................. 231-6265
Olympic Sports .................................................... Marianne Baffi ................................................................. 231-3671
Sports Medicine .................................................... Joyce Wynn ................................................................. 231-5037
Athletic Community Resource Officer ...... Captain Jody Falls ................................................................. 231-9964
Office Services Specialist, Administration .................. Jeanette Costain ................................................................. 231-5497

BASEBALL
Head Coach .............................................. Chuck Hartman ................................................................. 231-3671
Assistant Coaches ......................... Jay Phillips, Jon Hartness ................................................................. 231-6725

BASKETBALL, MEN’S
Head Coach .............................................. Rick Stans ................................................................. 231-4998
Assistant Coaches ......................... Mark Cline, Steve Lytton, Randy Pearl ................................................................. 231-2515
Executive Secretary ...................... Sharon Spradlin ................................................................. 231-9991

BASKETBALL, WOMEN’S
Head Coach .............................................. Bonnie Henrickson ................................................................. 231-6410
Assistant Coaches ......................... Joe Mathews, Tisha Hill, Karen Clayton ................................................................. 231-2515
Administrative Assistant .................. Katie O’Connor ................................................................. 231-2515
Executive Secretary ...................... To be named ................................................................. 231-2515

FOOTBALL OFFICE
Head Coach .............................................. Mike Share ................................................................. 231-4132
Executive Secretary ...................... Diana Clark ................................................................. 231-4132
Assistant Coaches ......................... To be named ................................................................. 231-8388

FOOTBALL
Head Coach .............................................. Mike Share ................................................................. 231-4132
Assistant Coach ......................... Brooke Martin ................................................................. 231-8388
Assistant Coach ......................... Krystyna Porcella ................................................................. 231-4132

FOOTBALL, WOMEN’S
Head Coach .............................................. Jim Thompson ................................................................. 231-6423
Assistant Coach ......................... Lisa Pastrana ................................................................. 231-9970
Assistant Coach ......................... Sam Okefoods ................................................................. 231-9971
Assistant Coach ......................... Ruth Holden ................................................................. 231-9971

SWIMMING & DIVING, MEN AND WOMEN
Head Coach .............................................. Ned Skinner ................................................................. 231-3086
Assistant Coach ......................... Greg Trifenebach ................................................................. 231-3301
Assistant Coach ......................... Lisa Pastrana ................................................................. 231-9970

TRIATHLON, MEN’S
Head Coach .............................................. Jerry Cheyney ................................................................. 231-4589
Assistant Coach ......................... To be named ................................................................. 231-4589
Assistant Coach ......................... To be named ................................................................. 231-4589

TRIATHLON, WOMEN’S
Head Coach .............................................. Sam Okefoods ................................................................. 231-9971
Assistant Coach ......................... Lisa Hart ................................................................. 231-9971
Assistant Coach ......................... To be named ................................................................. 231-9971
Assistant Coach ......................... To be named ................................................................. 231-9971

VOLLEYBALL
Head Coach .............................................. Greg Smith ................................................................. 231-5037
Assistant Coach ......................... Rani Whitson ................................................................. 231-3951
Graduate Assistant Coach .................. Blythe Gardner ................................................................. 231-3951
Dr. Larry Killough
Faculty Chairman of Athletics

Dr. Larry N. Killough, a professor in the Virginia Tech accounting department for 30 years, has been the university’s faculty chairman of athletics since September, 1991. Since taking over the faculty chairman’s duties, Killough has worked closely with the members of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the BIG EAST Conference, the old Metro Conference and the Atlantic 10 Conference in matters relating to Tech athletics.

Killough received his B.S. in accounting from the University of Tennessee, an MBA from Temple University and his Ph.D. from the University of Missouri.

He came to Tech in 1971 as an assistant professor of accounting and has risen to his present position as KPMG Peat Marwick Professor of Accounting.

Prior to coming to Tech, he worked in accounting departments at Temple and Missouri. He also was a senior accountant for Arthur Young and Company, an internal auditor for Fairmont Foods Company; and an internal consultant on information systems for R.C.A. Communications, Inc.

Killough has won many awards, including the College of Business Outstanding Teaching Award for Doctoral Teaching. He was voted Educator of the Year in 1978 by the Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Killough has co-authored eight books on accounting and has published numerous journals and research papers.
What’s a Hokie?

That’s the most often-asked question in Virginia Tech athletics. The answer leads all the way back to 1896 when Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College changed its name to Virginia Polytechnic Institute. With the change came the necessity for writing a new cheer and a contest for such a purpose was held by the student body. Senior O.M. Stull won first prize for his “Hokie” yell which still is used today. Later, when asked if “Hokie” had any special meaning, Stull explained the word was solely the product of his imagination and was used only as an attention-getter for his yell. It soon became a nickname for all Tech teams and for those people loyal to Tech athletics. The official school colors — Chicago maroon and burnt orange — also were introduced in 1896. They were chosen because they made a “unique combination” not worn elsewhere at the time.

The Music Makers

Virginia Tech is one of the few schools in the country to have two marching bands. The 330-member Marching Virginians are known for their exciting performances, but also visible on Tech’s campus is the pageantry and tradition of the regimental band of Tech’s Corps of Cadets – The Highty-Tighties. Both perform at every home football game and occasionally at games on the road.
A Program on the Rise

Virginia Tech's 11-0 regular-season showing and appearance in the last season's national championship game are the latest highlights for one of the fastest rising programs on the college football scene. The Hokies are one of just eight teams that have gone to bowl games each of the past seven years. During that seven-year span, Tech has won more games than any other school in the BIG EAST Conference, while enjoying unprecedented team and individual success.
1999 Sweep!

BIG EAST Champion
Virginia Tech

Coach of the Year
Frank Beamer

Offensive Player of the Year
Michael Vick

Defensive Player of the Year
Corey Moore

Special Teams Player of the Year
Shayne Graham

Rookie of the Year
Michael Vick

Virginia Tech won the prestigious Lambert Trophy symbolizing Eastern football supremacy after going 11-1 and finishing the '99 season ranked No. 2 in the nation.