YOUR PATH BEGINS HERE
At Virginia Tech, we are committed to creating a culture that thrives in a world without boundaries. Attracting the best students from around the world allows us to build a community of engaged global citizens who are prepared to be leaders and problem-solvers.

That is why we are pleased to launch AdvantageVT. This pathway program is designed for international students like you who qualify for admission with the exception of the required English proficiency. Through AdvantageVT, you will be conditionally admitted as an undergraduate student and can start college credit courses while taking advanced university preparation courses.

When you arrive at Virginia Tech, you will find a supportive community dedicated to helping you claim your role in the world.

**JUAN ESPINOZA**
Assistant Vice Provost for Enrollment Management and Interim Director of Undergraduate Admissions

Your journey to a Virginia Tech degree begins with the AdvantageVT pathway program. This innovative program allows you to earn valuable university credits at one of the world’s leading research universities while you improve your academic English skills.

Virginia Tech’s tradition of academic excellence, hands-on approach to education, and commitment to providing unrivaled opportunities make it a great place to study, but it is the dedication of our students, faculty, and staff that make it truly exceptional.

As an AdvantageVT student, you will have full access to all of the resources on campus. Our state-of-the-art facilities and vast research opportunities ensure you have the tools for the best possible education.

We look forward to welcoming you to campus!

**DR. DONALD BACK**
Director, Virginia Tech Language and Culture Institute
WHO IS A TYPICAL VIRGINIA TECH STUDENT? YOU ARE. JUST LIKE YOU, OUR STUDENTS ARE UNIQUE, DRIVEN TO LEARN AND TO APPLY WHAT THEY LEARN TO HELP SOLVE REAL-WORLD PROBLEMS TO IMPROVE LIVES. AT VIRGINIA TECH, YOU WILL MASTER THE SUBJECTS YOU ARE MOST PASSIONATE ABOUT, COLLABORATE CLOSELY WITH OTHERS, USE TECHNOLOGY TO EXPAND YOUR IMPACT, AND—ABOVE ALL—HARNESS YOUR SKILLS IN SERVICE TO OTHERS.

RESEARCH FOR GOOD

VIRGINIA TECH continues to build its reputation as one of the top research universities in the world. We manage a research portfolio of more than $531 million, ranking us among the top 50 universities in the U.S., according to the National Science Foundation.

Our world-class faculty, staff, and students are leading the world’s research and innovation in areas such as cybersecurity, robotics, computer visualization, additive manufacturing, autonomous vehicles, biotechnology, nanomaterials, renewable energy, computer technology—and many others.

No matter what big problem you want to solve, we have experts ready to help you put your abilities and talents to good use.
Virginia Tech is one of the world’s leading universities, working across disciplines with international partners to find solutions to global challenges.

Located in beautiful Blacksburg, Virginia, our university is a unique place where we provide you with the best of both worlds – a large research university with more than 34,400 students and a safe, small, college-town atmosphere.

Distance to Virginia Tech
- Atlanta (640 km.)
- Boston (1,100 km.)
- Charlotte, N.C. (270 km.)
- Los Angeles (3,800 km.)
- New York (780 km.)
- Philadelphia (660 km.)
- Raleigh, N.C. (320 km.)
- Miami (1,400 km.)
- Washington, D.C. (420 km.)
If you meet all Virginia Tech undergraduate admission requirements except the minimum language test scores, you may be eligible for the AdvantageVT pathway program. AdvantageVT combines for-credit university coursework with innovative training in academic skills and university culture. It is designed to jump-start your journey toward a bachelor’s degree at Virginia Tech.

**WHAT IS ADVANTAGE VT?**

**Program features**

- **Two levels**, based on your English proficiency:
  - **LEVEL 1** (two semesters) is for students with advanced proficiency
  - **LEVEL 2** (three semesters) is for students with high intermediate proficiency.


- **Three entry dates** per year – in the spring, fall, and summer.

- **No SAT or exit TOEFL** required.

- **Rolling admission**, with most decisions in 3-5 business days.

- **Support** throughout the program, through seminars in academic, leadership, and social skills. Additional workshops focused on study skills, time management, test preparation, and other subjects will help prepare students for the demands of undergraduate study in the U.S.

- **Upon completing** the program, students are guaranteed entry to Virginia Tech with advanced standing in their first year.

AdvantageVT students are not required to take the SAT or exit TOEFL!
The AdvantageVT pathway program combines intensive English language study, academic skills training, and university coursework. It is designed to jump-start your journey toward a bachelor’s degree at Virginia Tech.

**ADVANTAGE VT PATHWAY PROGRAM**

**BACHELOR’S DEGREE**

**GUARANTEED ENTRY TO VIRGINIA TECH WITH ADVANCED STANDING IN YOUR FIRST YEAR**

**LEVEL 1**
This two-semester program offers a balance of for-credit courses and English for Academic Purposes classes.

For students with **advanced** English proficiency.

- TOEFL iBT 74
- IELTS 6.0 (with no subsection less than 6.0)
- PTE 50

**LEVEL 2**
Our three-semester program is designed for students who want a complete university preparation experience, with a special focus on intensive English language skills.

For students with **high-intermediate** English proficiency.

- TOEFL iBT 60
- IELTS 5.5 (with no subsection less than 5.5)
- PTE 44
Dedicated faculty members to help with all aspects of your transition to Virginia Tech.

Continuous support throughout the program, including help with visa issues, advice on academic problems, or adjusting to life in the U.S.

Access to all university technology resources, libraries, health centers, and sports and recreation facilities.

What you can expect from AdvantageVT
What does it mean to be an AdvantageVT student?
It means you’ll be welcomed into our community and fully supported in your academic pursuits from the day you arrive on campus. Answers to frequently asked questions by students looking to apply to the program are listed below.

Do I study academic courses?
Yes. You take specialized academic courses that fulfill the university’s general education requirements and fully prepare you to enter your degree program while enrolled in AdvantageVT.

Do I get academic credit that counts toward my degree?
Yes. Depending on your chosen pathway and courses, you can earn 15-18 transferable credits that count toward completion of your degree program.

Will I get extra academic support and learn study skills?
Yes. The AdvantageVT program provides all students with additional tutoring support to help you succeed academically.

After the AdvantageVT program, do I continue into the first year of my undergraduate program?
Yes. Upon successful completion of the program, you will have advanced standing in the freshman year of your degree program.

Do I get extra personal help to adjust to living in America?
Yes. The AdvantageVT program staff will support you to ensure you adapt to being an active member of the student community and to living in the United States.

Do I get a university-issued I-20?
Yes. Virginia Tech issues the initial I-20 for English language and will transfer your I-20 to the undergraduate program after successful completion of AdvantageVT requirements.

Am I taught by university faculty?
Yes. The AdvantageVT program is taught entirely by expert Virginia Tech faculty, all of whom hold advanced degrees.

Will it take long to receive an admissions decision?
No. Advantage VT applications are reviewed on a “rolling basis” as they are received.
**ACADEMICS**

In order to help AdvantageVT participants become self-sufficient, responsible university students, we have developed a curriculum that prepares them for the academic rigors of a top-ranked American university while also helping them improve their English language skills. AdvantageVT also provides the skills students will need to succeed in both their academic and social lives.

All AdvantageVT students are required to take English for Academic Purposes classes, as well as participate in a University Success Seminar.

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Among AdvantageVT’s strengths are the accessibility of its faculty members and their willingness to help students. All AdvantageVT students are eligible for tutoring support. Faculty will assist students in assessing their academic needs and developing skills to meet these needs.

University Success Seminars: What You Will Learn

All AdvantageVT students will take part in seminars designed to help them succeed at Virginia Tech. These seminars, designed specifically for AdvantageVT students, will help students build and practice essential study skills, including reading and note taking from university textbooks and lectures, academic discussion strategies, test preparation, and time management.

- Develop methods for effective note taking
- Set goals and manage time
- Understand the university’s acceptable use policy
- Explore Virginia Tech’s colleges and degree programs, as well as the university class structures
- Cultivate emotional intelligence
- Understand email etiquette and classroom communication
- Utilize the libraries and web resources at Virginia Tech
- Follow the undergraduate honor code
- Explore student organizations and clubs
- Discover the university’s athletic and health resources
- Learn personal habits of health and wellness
- Understand Virginia Tech’s Principles of Community
- Explore the history of Virginia Tech
- Find out how to manage your money
- Learn to conduct a research project

Tutoring (Levels 1 and 2)

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THREE UNIQUE PATHWAYS

AdvantageVT students can choose from pathways to degrees in three of Virginia Tech’s renowned colleges: Business, Engineering, and Science. Each pathway includes courses that will prepare you for your chosen degree. Whichever path you choose, you will find continuous support throughout the program to help ensure your success.

**BUSINESS**

Students who progress to a business major develop key business and life skills through hands-on projects and activities in their courses, internships/externships, and our numerous student organizations. Virginia Tech’s Pamplin College of Business has a dedicated team of professionals who focus solely on the career success of its students. Over 90 percent of students actively seeking full-time employment graduate with a full-time job.

**ENGINEERING**

Students in the College of Engineering jump right in to doing innovative projects and research through a wide variety of labs and creative workspaces. The Ware Lab, for example, is a facility dedicated solely to undergraduate student design projects, providing a unique learning environment for engineering students from various majors. Ware Lab student teams compete all over the world against other university teams.

**SCIENCE**

College of Science students discover, understand, and apply fundamental scientific principles to pursue questions beyond the boundaries of traditional disciplines and established knowledge to promote healthy people, strong communities, and a sustainable planet. Through hands-on learning in classrooms and labs, and our undergraduate research programs, students work alongside renowned faculty and staff to solve complex issues locally, regionally, and globally.

Whatever major you choose at Virginia Tech, you’ll develop the know-how and collaborative skills to apply in the real world. Note that not all majors in every college may be available to pathway students. The Office of Undergraduate Admissions reserves the right to place students into majors based on available space. All students admitted to the College of Engineering at Virginia Tech are classified as “general engineering” for their first year of studies.
Virginia Tech’s Pamplin College of Business offers programs in accounting and information systems, business information technology, finance, hospitality and tourism management, management, and marketing. Pamplin emphasizes technology and analysis that improve business, entrepreneurship that leads to innovation and innovative companies, international opportunities for learning and research, and an inclusive, collaborative community.  

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**Semester 2**

| EAP 500: English for Academic Purposes | 10 |
| Freshman English Course | 3 | 3 |
| Introductory Business Courses | 6 | 6 |

**TOTAL** 40 16

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

In order to advance in AdvantageVT from semester to semester, all students must achieve a minimum of 70% proficiency in their EAP courses. All students must achieve a 2.5 or better grade-point average in their credit-bearing courses.

**LEVEL 2** 3-semester pathway

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| Select Math Course | 4 | 4 |

**Semester 3**

| EAP 500: English for Academic Purposes | 10 |
| Freshman English Course | 3 | 3 |
| Introductory Business Courses | 6 | 6 |

**TOTAL** 64 16

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

In order to advance in AdvantageVT from semester to semester, all students must achieve a minimum of 70% proficiency in their EAP courses. All students must achieve a 2.5 or better grade-point average in their credit-bearing courses.
MAJORS

The AdvantageVT Business Pathway allows you to progress into one of six different majors:

- Hospitality and Tourism Management
- Marketing
- Management
- Accounting and Information Systems
- Business Information Technology
- Finance, Insurance and Business Law
- Hospitality and Tourism Management
- Management
- Marketing

SPOTLIGHT

Marketing

At Pamplin College of Business, you will be taught by leading researchers as well as experienced professionals. Our undergraduate program in marketing management is designed to offer a broad business education with an emphasis on professional training for development of marketing strategies and managing marketing operations.

Management

This major prepares students to be effective managers capable of adding value in a range of organizations and business contexts in the global economy employing an entrepreneurial approach to business. We emphasize the development of versatile skills that are essential to achieve organizational goals: analytical problem-solving, communication skills, cross-functional thinking, leadership, ethical decision-making, and teamwork.

Hospitality and Tourism Management

Recently ranked No. 3 in the U.S. and No. 6 in the world*, our program focuses on the “business of hospitality and tourism.” Our students gain skills in finance, accounting, marketing, revenue management, business information technology, and social media. All students are required to engage in field study/internship activities, and we enjoy one of the highest placement rates on campus. Recruiters often brag to us about the way our graduates are ready to roll up their sleeves and get to work, confident and unafraid of challenges.

*QS World University Rankings
Virginia Tech’s College of Engineering, the largest engineering school in Virginia, is consistently ranked among the best in the country. It is known for its “Hands On, Minds On” environment where students can learn and conduct research both inside and outside the classroom. eng.vt.edu

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All students must achieve a 3.0 or better grade-point average in their credit-bearing courses.
MAJORS

The AdvantageVT Engineering Pathway allows you to progress into one of 14 different majors:

- Aerospace Engineering
- Biological Systems Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Construction Engineering and Management
- Electrical Engineering
- Engineering Science and Mechanics
- Industrial and Systems Engineering
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mining Engineering
- Ocean Engineering

SPOTLIGHT

Aerospace Engineering

The Kevin T. Crofton Department of Aerospace and Ocean Engineering offers a unique blend of two disciplines that takes advantage of commonality in the analysis and design of aerospace and ocean systems. All our programs are vehicle-oriented, with an emphasis on aircraft and spacecraft in the aerospace program.
In Virginia Tech's College of Science, students immerse themselves in hands-on learning and undergraduate research to help solve complex issues locally, regionally, and globally alongside our world-class faculty and research staff. The college is dedicated to excellence, discovery, diversity of ideas and people, and service.

**PATHWAY IN SCIENCE**

In order to advance in AdvantageVT from semester to semester, all students must achieve a minimum of 70% proficiency in their EAP courses.

All students must achieve a 2.5 or better grade-point average in their credit-bearing courses.

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**LEVEL 1 2-semester pathway**

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**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

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All students must achieve a 2.5 or better grade-point average in their credit-bearing courses.
MAJORS
The AdvantageVT Science Pathway allows you to progress into one of 18 different majors:

- Biochemistry
- Biological Sciences
- Chemistry
- Clinical Neuroscience
- Cognitive and Behavioral Neuroscience
- Computational and Systems Neuroscience
- Computational Modeling and Data Analytics
- Economics
- Experimental Neuroscience
- Geosciences
- Mathematics
- Microbiology
- Nanoscience
- Neuroscience
- Physics
- Psychology
- Statistics
- Systems Biology

SPOTLIGHT
Neuroscience
In the School of Neuroscience, we are working to understand the mind, brain, and behavior in health and disease at a cellular, genetic, molecular, and systems levels through interdisciplinary studies and hands-on research.
CAMPUS LIFE

At Virginia Tech, your education extends beyond our classrooms. You will find countless opportunities to explore new interests, expand your knowledge, meet new people, and become involved in the university community. We are sure you will find something that suits your interests!

Get involved
Whether you’re looking for musical groups or robot wars, there’s a club for you. In fact, more than 700 student clubs and organizations are active on campus. And, hey, it only takes three people to start your own.

Hokie Passport
As part of the Virginia Tech community, you have access to world-class facilities, resources, and activities throughout your time in AdvantageVT. During orientation, you will receive your official university identification card, called a Hokie Passport. This is used to ride the bus, borrow library materials, and access the university’s fitness facilities.

Intercollegiate sports
Virginia Tech students practically live in maroon and orange. You can hear their thunderous cheers during basketball games at Cassell Coliseum or soccer games at Thompson Field. As members of the elite Division I Atlantic Coast Conference, the Hokies provide fans a chance to attend some of the most competitive games in the nation.

Food for thought
Virginia Tech has award-winning dining centers, including all-you-care-to-eat facilities, a la carte food courts, a gourmet coffee and ice cream shop, and grab-and-go food shops. Blacksburg, meanwhile, offers more than 200 shops and restaurants featuring a range of cuisines. Many grocery stores in the area carry imported food items.

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OUR GRADUATES GET JOBS

88%

Within six months of graduation, 88% percent of our graduates are employed or pursuing graduate degrees. Our Career and Professional Development team at the Smith Career Center assists you from your first year and even beyond.

HAPPIEST STUDENTS

#3

The Princeton Review ranks Virginia Tech No. 3 in the nation for students who love their colleges.

FITTEST COLLEGE

#1

Based on our food and recreational and fitness offerings, Active Times ranked Virginia Tech the fittest college in the nation.

AMONG WORLD’S TOP UNIVERSITIES

According to Times Higher Education and QS World Rankings, Virginia Tech is one of the world’s top universities.

vt.edu/about/rankings
AN AMERICAN FOOTBALL GAME AT LANE STADIUM

STUDYING AT NEWMAN LIBRARY

GOBBLERFEST ON THE DRILLFIELD
BEAUTIFUL BLACKSBURG

The town of Blacksburg is nestled on a plateau between the picturesque Blue Ridge and Allegheny mountains in southwestern Virginia. Home to about 43,000 residents, the town is considered small by most any standard – but don’t let its size or location fool you.

Because of its award-winning services, reasonable cost of living, safety, moderate climate, and abundant leisure activities, Blacksburg is consistently ranked among the country’s best places to live.

Vibrant and engaging, Blacksburg’s downtown offers many unique stores, art galleries, and restaurants. The area’s wide red-brick sidewalks, Victorian street lamps, and park benches encourage foot traffic and make meeting folks easy.

DISCOVER VIRGINIA

Virginia is in the mid-Atlantic region of the United States. To the west, we have beautiful mountains, and to the east is the famed Chesapeake Bay. From hiking the Appalachian Trail to riding the waves at Virginia Beach, Virginia has plenty to offer.

Blacksburg is less than an hour from one of Virginia’s most vibrant cities, Roanoke. The city has earned the nickname “Star City of the South” by being the recreational, cultural, and business hub of Virginia’s Blue Ridge Mountains. The nickname is also attributed to the iconic Roanoke Star, which sits atop Mill Mountain and overlooks the entire region.

Weather

Blacksburg Climate (°C)

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 Summers in Blacksburg are warm and humid, and winters are generally cool to cold with occasional snow. Monthly mean temperatures range from 30.9° F (-0.6° C) in January to 71.1° F (21.7° C) in July.
HOUSING

Students are expected to find their own housing accommodations. The LCI has student aides to help you locate housing and furniture upon arrival at Virginia Tech.

On-Campus Housing

AdvantageVT students may have the option to live in a residence hall (dormitory) on campus. A number of convenient and affordable housing and dining options are available. Learn more at housing.vt.edu.

Homestay

Homestay, or accommodation with a U.S. host, is available. Placement may be arranged in advance to be available upon arrival. Accommodation consists of a private furnished room (single occupancy) in a home. Information is available at www.blacksburghomestay.com.

Apartments

Most Virginia Tech students live off campus. Students who bring their families are required to live off campus. Many apartments are within walking distance of campus or are on town bus routes. Almost all apartments come unfurnished. Find more information at www.techoffcampus.com.
TUITION AND FEES

Estimated Price Per Semester

Estimated costs for each semester of the 2019-20 AdvantageVT academic year are listed here to give you a benchmark for planning your attendance. These costs are estimates for planning purposes only and are subject to change.

Tuition: $19,000
Living expenses: $6,700
Comprehensive fees*: $1,438
Health insurance: $1,260

TOTAL: $28,398

Departmental Supplemental Fees

Engineering part-time (1-6 credit hours, per semester): $500
Engineering full-time (7 or more credit hours, per semester): $1,000
Business 1000 Level Courses (per credit hour): $75
Business 2000-4000 Level Courses (per credit hour): $25

Immigration Services Fee
Assessed each semester: $275

Note that the number of credit hours for which you are enrolled may affect the total price.

* Allows access to expanded services, including intramural sports, bus service, library services, athletic ticket pools, and more.

Important: In addition to the tuition and fees described above, various course and lab fees may be assessed depending on the course(s) in which you are enrolled. These fees are used to support extraordinary course-specific costs (e.g., laboratory materials or equipment, course materials retained by you, etc.). Refunds of fees are subject to the university’s published policies and procedures.

ADMISSIONS CALENDAR

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ROLLING ADMISSION
Most application decisions are made within 3-5 business days of when we receive your completed application.
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Academic requirements
Most students who are selected for admission will have completed more than the following minimum requirements and have at least a B+ (88%) grade-point average.

To qualify for AdvantageVT, you must have graduated from an accredited secondary school or high school with these courses on your transcripts:
- 3 units of math (includes algebra I, geometry, and algebra II)
- 2 units of laboratory science (chosen from biology, chemistry, or physics)
- additional academic units (foreign language is highly recommended)

Some majors have other requirements, such as an additional year of advanced math or lab science.

English language requirements
Your score on the TOEFL iBT (or a similar test) determines the AdvantageVT level at which you start.

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No SAT, no exit TOEFL
Virginia Tech does not require the SAT for international applicants. AdvantageVT students do not have to take a TOEFL test after completing the program.
APPLY TODAY

It’s easy to apply. Just go to lci.vt.edu/apply

WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU

To complete your application, pay the program application fee and submit the supporting materials listed below. You can upload scans of all your required documents as part of your online application.

☐ Nonrefundable $235 application fee.

☐ Completed paper version of the Virginia Tech international application.

☐ Educational Documents: All documents in a language other than English must be accompanied by certified English translations. Notarized translations alone will not be accepted. Translations supplement, but do not replace original documents. Remember to send both.

   ■ Diplomas/Certificates: Students who have completed secondary school or high school must submit copies of their diplomas or school leaving certificates. Report of scores on school leaving examinations must also be submitted.

   ■ Transcript/Statement of Marks: This contains the record of courses studied, marks (grades) awarded, length of class periods, and grading scale with minimum passing mark. These must be submitted for upper secondary or high school years and must be complete for applicants who have graduated from school. For those applicants who are still enrolled in school, the transcript, or statement of marks, must show the most current term of grades to date. The transcript must be an original copy, certified by the sending institution.

☐ TOEFL/IELTS/PTE: To have your TOEFL score automatically sent to the Virginia Tech Language and Culture Institute, please specify **CEEB code C096** on the test form.

☐ Copy of the identity page of your **passport**.

☐ Copy of bank statement and letter of financial support or letter of sponsorship.
OTHER PATHS TO VIRGINIA TECH

We have a program to fit every level of English language proficiency, regardless of whether you’ve taken the TOEFL or IELTS.

>> If you meet the minimum requirements for English proficiency you may want to consider applying directly to the undergraduate program:

**Direct Undergraduate Admission**

- admissions.vt.edu

The deadline to submit your online application for Regular Decision is January 15. To have your IELTS/TOEFL/PTE score automatically sent to Virginia Tech, please specify Virginia Tech’s CEEB code (5859) on the test form. We recommend the English language proficiency tests be taken by January 15 and scores must be received before February 1.

**English Language Requirements**

International students whose native language is not English must document proficiency in the English language by submitting either an TOEFL, IELTS, or PTE score.

**TOEFL:** At least 80, with no subscore less than 16

**IELTS:** At least 6.5, with no subscore below 6.5

**PTE:** At least 53

**Other Requirements**

As for the SAT, please note that for international students we are a test-optional university. In addition, we have an optional interview available through InitialView.

>> If you have lower English skills but wish to enter Virginia Tech:

**Conditional Admission**

- lci.vt.edu/cap

Virginia Tech offers conditional admission to prospective undergraduate students who meet all university admission requirements except language test score requirements.

Applicants are conditionally admitted based upon an evaluation of their high school records.

Once you are in the program, you will work toward meeting admission requirements while studying at the Language and Culture Institute. When conditional requirements are met, you will be transferred into the undergraduate program.

**Eligibility**

- The most competitive applicants present a high school equivalent grade-point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale (88%) for engineering majors and at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (75%) for other majors.

- Transfer students from U.S. or foreign universities are ineligible.

- You must be 17 years old or older at the time you begin intensive English studies.
If you have lower English skills but wish to enter Virginia Tech:

There is no better way for you to improve your English language skills and experience American culture than through the Virginia Tech Language and Culture Institute (LCI). Whether you want to prepare for university study in the U.S. or to simply enhance your language skills for work or pleasure, the LCI will help you reach your goals.

Intensive English Program

- Full-time, noncredit academic program
- Six start dates, in the fall, spring, and summer
- 10 levels of instruction, from beginning to advanced.
- Advanced computer-assisted learning center
- All faculty have master’s degrees or doctorates and certificates of advanced study
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