Division of Student Affairs Department Listing

The Division of Student Affairs encompasses 15 vital departments dedicated to providing a rich co-curricular experience and essential student services. Almost every aspect of life outside the classroom is represented through the departments below.

Campus Alcohol Abuse Prevention Center
To stay on the cutting edge of research-based college alcohol abuse prevention efforts we have institutionalized current prevention efforts as the Campus Alcohol Abuse Prevention Center. This center provides leadership in the development and evaluation of alcohol abuse prevention programs on the Virginia Tech campus and in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Career Services
Career Services provides an important service to students, whether they are seeking employment or graduate school following graduation. Career Services offers counseling for career and academic major decision making; maintains the career resource center which contains books and directories about occupational information; offers an externship program that provides one to five day shadowing experiences in various occupational fields; offers a cooperative education and internship program that provides paid, full-time, major-related work experiences; sponsors CONNECTIONS job fair for coops, internships and summer jobs; provides workshops on interviewing, resume writing, and graduate school topics; and manages an online resume referral system.

Cook Counseling Center
The Thomas E. Cook Counseling Center provides individual and group counseling for enrolled undergraduate and graduate students at Virginia Tech. In addition the Cook Counseling Center also offers crisis intervention and trauma debriefing; psychiatric treatment and consultation; mental health referral services; consultation with students, parents, faculty, and staff; mental health outreach programs; peer assistance groups; 24-7 after hours emergency on call counseling; and online screening and self-help services.

Corps of Cadets
Since 1872 the Corps of Cadets has produced outstanding leaders for the Commonwealth and the nation. The Corps offers leader development and an academic minor in leadership studies. In addition, the Corps prepares graduates for commissioned service in U.S. Armed Forces. The Corps performs dozens of campus and community service projects; provides student mentors to local schools for citizenship and reading; supports the Women’s Center in set-up for key events during National Women’s Month; hosts the annual Corps homecoming; offers the military marching unit and ceremonial color guards for ceremonial events, such as graduation; and publishes the Corps Review magazine three times yearly.

Cranwell International Center
The Cranwell International Center is committed to the university’s globalization initiatives and serves as the primary support service for the international community. The Cranwell International Center also provides crisis support and personal assistance for internationals; immigration advising, paperwork, and support for international undergraduates and dependents; orientation for newly arrived international students and employees; an International Friendship Program that matches hosts to guests for cross-cultural friendship and student-to-student for
academic coursework; international week during spring semester; various social and cultural activities; and international success programs.

Dean of Students Office
The Dean of Students office plays a vital role with the students, parents, and families of Virginia Tech’s campus community. The Dean of Students office assists with individual student/family emergencies; coordinates with the Division of Student Affairs to respond quickly and appropriately to student crises; provides student emergency loans; provides training for the university on-call team; convenes the student death response team; serves as a liaison with campus ministers; advises faculty on classroom behavior issues; and provides leadership for new student programs.

Dining Services
Dining Services provides our students with national award-winning dining selections and is committed to student satisfaction. Dining Services also operates dining facilities at 11 locations across campus, provides comprehensive nutrition programs, offers on and off campus catering, provides nationally branded food on campus, and has various hours of operation to fit almost any need.

Fraternity and Sorority Life
Fraternity and Sorority Life provides guidance and support to 64 nationally affiliated fraternities and sororities. Fraternity and Sorority Life guides the overall programming of the Greek community in addition to advising Greek events and activities, teaching leadership skills, conducting educational programs for members and new members, and conducting house inspections. Fraternity and Sorority Life also plays a key role in interfacing with advisors, house managers, alumni, and national officers; presenting programs and conducting research promoting Fraternity and Sorority Life; and chairing the Greek Life Advisory Committee.

Housing and Residence Life
At Virginia Tech students can be a part of a residential community where over 9,100 students call 45 residence halls their home, representing one of the largest residential populations in the country. The department supervises a staff of professional and student employees who provide community development and educational programming in the residence halls. They focus on student advocacy and assist in emergency response and student conduct issues. Staff are also responsible for conducting floor meetings and intentional programs to educate and inform resident students of their responsibilities for themselves and others within the community. Housing and Residence Life provides positive physical conditions for resident safety through the submission of work orders, health and safety inspections, and routine fire drills. The department also provides daily housekeeping to the residence halls, routine and preventative maintenance, project management for renovations, fire and safety training, and summer conference housing.

Multicultural Programs and Services
Multicultural Programs and Services (MPS) provides a welcoming environment on campus for underrepresented and historically marginalized populations. MPS also coordinates major cultural heritage celebrations, advises student organizations for underrepresented populations, and oversees the Black Cultural Center and Multicultural Center. MPS also coordinates peer mentoring programs for incoming first year students and offers opportunities for dialogue across differences, student leadership training, diversity training, and community building activities.
**Recreational Sports**
Recreational Sports, in partnership with the university, enhances the quality of life for all students, faculty, staff, and their families. The department promotes and implements recreational and fitness activities essential to improving student life. Through the common ground of sport, the department fosters camaraderie amongst students, faculty, and staff of diverse backgrounds. The common goal of the Recreational Sports program is to foster long term healthy lifestyle choices, and facilitate positive physical and mental outcomes and coping strategies, through a process that contributes to democratic leadership and citizenship skill development for students. Recreational Sports offers a variety of activities from self directed exercise routines, intramural sports, sports clubs, aquatics programs and group fitness classes, to special events such as runs, tournaments, and competitions.

**Schiffert Health Center**
The Schiffert Health Center strives to ensure the delivery of high quality, accessible, cost-effective, and culturally competent medical care and health promotion for Virginia Tech students. The health center also advises the greater campus community on health related issues; provides medical support and academic relief; and offers a number of critical health services, such as, general medicine, women’s health, allergy clinic, sports medicine, nutrition, radiology, pharmacy services, and labs. Schiffert Health Center also offers leadership enhancement for students through the Wellness Peer Education Program and Health Promotion Team.

**Services for Students with Disabilities**
Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) assists the university with its mission of creating an inclusive and welcoming community for all students. Services for Students with Disabilities works to ensure that students with disabilities receive equal access to education and opportunities in this academic community. SSD also provides students with appropriate academic accommodations based on disability documentation, provides academic coaching designed to enhance learning and retention efforts, and provides an intake process for any university student referred for academic difficulties to determine appropriate referrals to campus and community resources.

**Student Centers and Activities**
Student Centers and Activities provides Virginia Tech students with leadership training, advising, consulting, and program development. The department advises the Student Government Association and provides oversight to more than 600 student clubs and organizations. They are also responsible for allocating, budgeting, and accounting for over $1 million in student activities fees for student organizations, as well as advising The Big Event, Relay for Life, and homecoming activities. The department provides facility management for Virginia Tech’s two student centers (Squires and Johnston) totaling nearly 260,000 square feet; provides accommodations for the spiritual needs of the university community through the management of the War Memorial Chapel; and oversees the Graduate Life Center facility and the recreation space in Squires, the BreakZONE, which serves as the epicenter of alcohol alternative entertainment and social learning. In addition, Student Centers and Activities provides the entire university community with comprehensive event planning and production services, as well as ticket sales for concerts and other major campus events.

**Student Conduct**
Student Conduct is responsible for overseeing student and student organization misconduct cases that are adjudicated by Residence Life, Corps of Cadets and Recreational Sports. Student Conduct also manages and maintains a judicial database; completes all background
checks of student disciplinary files; recruits, selects, and trains all student judicial committee members; trains professional hearing officers and graduate student hearing officers; conducts specialized training for sexual misconduct cases; collaborates with the Campus Alcohol Abuse Prevention Center (CAAPC) to design, improve and coordinate alcohol education classes; and provides peer advisor programs for students to receive judicial advice.