



VIRGINIA  
WESLEYAN  
UNIVERSITY

COASTAL VIRGINIA'S PREMIER UNIVERSITY  
OF THE LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

# Why WESLEYA





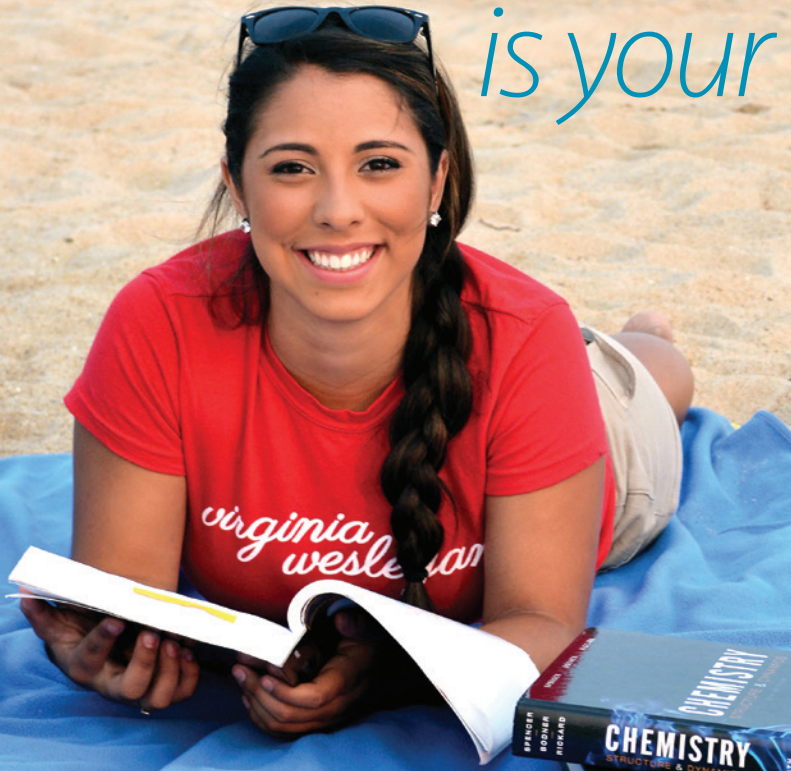
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**VIRGINIA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY** is Coastal Virginia's premier university of the liberal arts and sciences. Situated on a 300-acre park-like campus in Virginia Beach, the University annually enrolls approximately 1,500 students in undergraduate, graduate, and online programs. Students thrive in small classes – the average is 13 students – and through the University's experiential learning, high-impact leadership, and career-development programs.

**WHY WESLEYAN?**

VWU is situated in world famous Virginia Beach, part of a metropolitan region of 1.7 million people. With the University's close proximity to the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic Ocean, you'll find water everywhere (we're less than 15 minutes from the beach!).

# OUR LOCATION *is your*








# *advantage*

You'll find yourself in the midst of a thriving urban area with many opportunities for fun and adventure. You'll be strategically positioned to participate in externships and internships with Fortune 500 companies, state and national government agencies, and arts facilities.

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS  
Virginia Beach Resort  
and Boardwalk  
Virginia Aquarium &  
Marine Science Center  
Chick's Beach  
Ocean Breeze Waterpark  
Town Point Park  
Harbor Park (Norfolk  
Tides AAA Baseball)  
Chrysler Museum of Art  
Nauticus National  
Maritime Center  
USS Wisconsin Battleship

RECENT INTERNSHIPS  
Brock Environmental  
Center: Chesapeake  
Bay Foundation  
Dominion Enterprises  
FBI  
GEICO  
Merrill Lynch  
NATO Innovation Hub  
Norfolk Botanical Garden  
Norfolk Southern  
Norfolk Tides  
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**VIRGINIA WESLEYAN** is a dynamic, growing institution. Recent years have seen the opening of Birdsong Field (a multi-purpose synthetic turf athletic field), the Blocker Youth Center, and the construction of the Betty S. Rogers Track and Field. A performing arts center will be completed in early 2019.

*A dynamic, growing*

Opened in fall 2017, the 40,000 sq. ft. **GREER ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES CENTER** provides unprecedented opportunities for students and fosters regional collaboration with organizations such as the Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center and the Virginia Institute of Marine Science. The Center features sophisticated indoor and outdoor learning spaces that promote hands-on experiences, interactive learning, and interdisciplinary research.



# g INSTITUTION



The 23,000 sq. ft. **SUSAN S. GOODE FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER** is the first phase of a new arts complex that will enhance WVU's existing facilities.

NEW FACILITIES



# LIVE HERE

A real education is about more than books and tests. It's about life. From the annual Mud Games and Seafood Party in the Dell to Greek Life, intramural sports, and 50+ clubs and organizations, there is always something to keep body and soul active and engaged on campus.



## .connect here

**THE JANE P. BATTEN STUDENT CENTER** is not just a building; it's the heartbeat of campus activity—the gathering spot and a dynamic learning environment for faculty, staff, and students to connect.

- 36-foot rock-climbing wall
- 550-gallon freshwater aquarium
- Multipurpose gymnasium
- Boyd Dining Center
- Marlin Grille
- Fitness Center, weight machines, treadmills, bikes
- Three racquetball courts
- 8-lane swimming pool, whirlpool, and sauna
- Elevated jogging track
- Mirrored aerobics room
- Large flat screen TVs throughout the Center



LIFE-CHANGING. That's how Virginia Wesleyan students describe their volunteer experiences. Opportunities include *Cooking with Kids*, tutoring and mentoring elementary students through the *Marlins Read* program, and volunteering for *Habitat for Humanity*. You will find a variety of ways to make a difference at VWU.

MAKE A

difference



Chartered by the United Methodist Church in 1961, VWU offers a diverse spiritual life in an accepting environment where many traditions and faiths are represented. Students can explore their faith through weekly denominational services, dialogues, musical performances, and lectures, or by joining one of our student-led faith groups.



CAMPUS LIFE

# LEARN BY DOING

*hands-on*



Virginia Wesleyan University's *Lighthouse: Center for Exploration & Discovery* provides resources and support for students interested in studying away, participating in career development and internships, and engaging in undergraduate research.

## **BECOME A GLOBAL SCHOLAR – STUDY AWAY!**

VWU's Study Away Program offers competitive grants such as semester study abroad awards, summer independent study away grants, and study away course grants. You'll get the support you need to travel and explore the world.





*experience*

## **GAIN PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE – COMPLETE AN INTERNSHIP!**

Internships supplement academic preparation with work experience and mentoring from professionals in the field, thereby increasing your marketability to employers upon graduation. A recent national survey found 94% of employers are more likely to hire a job applicant who completed an internship.

## **ENGAGE IN RESEARCH – IT'S NOT JUST FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS!**

Our Undergraduate Research Program:

- Features 1:1 faculty mentoring
- Allows students to research problems of their choice
- Encourages students to research grants to underwrite the costs of research
- Offers fully-funded conference grants to attend national and international academic meetings
- Provides the opportunity to present or publish research with a VWU faculty member



## MAJORS

American Studies  
Art  
Biology  
Business  
Chemistry  
Classical Studies  
Communication  
Comprehensive Liberal Studies  
Computer Science  
Criminal Justice  
Earth and Environmental  
Sciences  
English  
Environmental Studies  
French Studies  
German Studies  
Hispanic Studies  
History  
History and Social Science  
Individualized Studies  
International Studies  
Latin  
Mathematics  
Music  
Philosophy  
Political Science  
Psychology  
Recreation and Leisure Studies  
Religious Studies  
Social Sciences Divisional  
Sociology  
Social Work  
Sustainability Management  
Theatre  
Women's and Gender Studies



# MAJORS and minors

## MINORS

American Studies  
Art (*see Studio Art*)  
Art History  
Biology  
Business  
Chemistry  
Classical Studies  
Communication  
Computer Science  
Criminal Justice

Earth and  
Environmental Sciences  
English  
Environmental Studies  
French Studies  
German Studies  
Hispanic Studies  
History  
Jewish Studies  
Latin  
Marine Science

Mathematics  
Music  
Philosophy  
Political Science  
Psychology  
Religious Studies  
Sociology  
Studio Art  
Theatre  
Women's and Gender Studies



## PRE-PROFESSIONAL

Dentistry  
Law  
Medicine  
Physical Therapy  
Theology  
Veterinary Medicine

## EDUCATION CERTIFICATION

Elementary  
Secondary  
Special Education

## ACCELERATED DEGREE OPTIONS

Joint Program in Medicine with  
Eastern Virginia Medical School  
Early Assurance Program with  
Eastern Virginia Medical School  
Pre-Admittance and Joint  
Degree Options in Pharmacy  
with Shenandoah University  
Pre-Engineering Program with  
Old Dominion University  
Cooperative College Program  
with Duke University's Nicholas  
School of the Environment  
Cooperative degree program  
in Occupational Therapy  
with Washington University  
in St. Louis

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Peace Corps Prep Program  
PORTfolio, a selective  
four-year curriculum  
Army ROTC and military  
grant program  
Advanced Scholars Program



## SKILLS EMPLOYERS SEEK

Regardless of the major you choose to pursue, you'll find experiential learning is a key element of the liberal arts education offered at Virginia Wesleyan University. When tied to the liberal arts, experiential learning helps students think creatively, solve problems, and communicate clearly. In a recent national survey, 87% of employers indicated they are more likely to hire a job applicant who demonstrates these skills!



## WINTER & SUMMER SESSIONS

Explore and accelerate your path to a degree during Winter and Summer Sessions, where you'll have the chance to concentrate your study on one intensive course, take unique courses, participate in faculty-led travel, or catch up on coursework and earn credits to graduate early.



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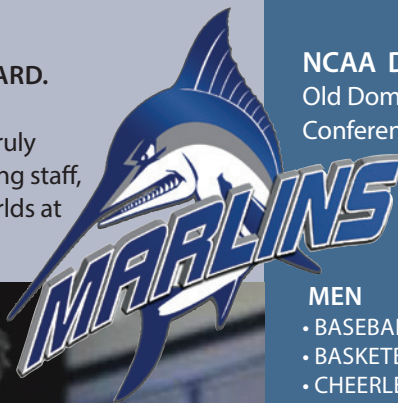
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**OUR STUDENT-ATHLETES  
STUDY HARD AND TRAIN HARD.**

With nationally ranked teams,  
All-American athletes, and a truly  
committed and caring coaching staff,  
you'll get the best of both worlds at  
VWU – academic and athletic.



**NCAA Division III**  
Old Dominion Athletic  
Conference (ODAC)

**MEN**

- BASEBALL
- BASKETBALL
- CHEERLEADING
- CROSS COUNTRY
- GOLF
- LACROSSE
- SOCCER
- SWIMMING
- TENNIS
- TRACK & FIELD

**WOMEN**

- BASKETBALL
- CHEERLEADING
- CROSS COUNTRY
- FIELD HOCKEY
- GOLF
- LACROSSE
- SOCCER
- SOFTBALL
- SWIMMING
- TENNIS
- TRACK & FIELD
- VOLLEYBALL



**FISH!**





# AT A GLANCE

*it all adds up...*

**1500** STUDENTS

**300** ACRE  
PARK-LIKE CAMPUS

**98%** OF STUDENTS  
RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID

**90%** OF FACULTY  
HOLD THE HIGHEST DEGREE  
IN THEIR FIELD

**92%** OF GRADUATES  
EMPLOYED OR IN GRADUATE  
SCHOOL WITHIN ONE YEAR  
OF GRADUATION

**70+** AREAS OF STUDY

**50+** CLUBS  
AND ORGANIZATIONS

**22** VARSITY SPORTS





**13:1** STUDENT/FACULTY RATIO

**4**-YEAR GRADUATION GUARANTEE

**1** NCAA NATIONAL BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

**1** NCAA NATIONAL SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

**POINTS OF PRIDE**  
Chosen as one of the nation's best by The Princeton Review's *Best 382 Colleges: 2018 Edition\**



Honored as a **2017-18 College of Distinction** for excellence in student-focused higher education and commitment in four areas: engaged students, great teaching, vibrant community, and successful outcomes



Selected for inclusion in The Princeton Review's *Guide to 353 Green Colleges: 2015 Edition*



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## FINANCIAL AID

A world-class private liberal arts education at VVU is within your reach. 98% of VVU students receive financial aid. Use our **SCHOLARSHIP CALCULATOR** to evaluate awards available and estimate your cost to attend VVU: [www.vvu.edu/scholarship](http://www.vvu.edu/scholarship).

**VISIT CAMPUS** to experience the Virginia Wesleyan difference — observe classes, sample dining options, meet professors and students, attend events, and explore Coastal Virginia. Schedule your visit at [www.vvu.edu/visit](http://www.vvu.edu/visit).

# BECOME





## BATTEN HONORS COLLEGE AT VWU

The Batten Honors College inspires, engages, and prepares academically talented students to become impactful leaders and environmental stewards in the global community. Each year, 20 freshmen are awarded full-tuition Batten Fellows awards.

Learn more at [www.vwu.edu/battenhonorscollege](http://www.vwu.edu/battenhonorscollege).



# A MARLIN



*today!*

**APPLY NOW at**  
[www.vwu.edu/apply](http://www.vwu.edu/apply)

Virginia Wesleyan considers applications on a rolling admission basis. Check with your VWU enrollment counselor for important dates/deadlines that may impact financial aid and scholarship opportunities.

### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Complete and sign application
- Submit transcripts (high school and/or previous college)
- Submit official copy of ACT or SAT scores (freshman applicants)
- Complete the federal financial aid application (FAFSA) after October 1. The FAFSA form can be found online at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov) (School Code: 003767).



*Premier University. Exceptional Location.*



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