

Virginia Commonwealth University

At a glance	
Location	Richmond, Virginia, USA
Students	32,000
Campuses	2
Available places	TBC
Placement duration	Full academic year
Subject links	English, History, Sociology and Criminology, Politics and International Relations, Philosophy, Mathematics, Statistics, Geography and Environmental Management, Biological Science, Forensic Science, Animation,
Term dates	Mid-August to Mid-May
Website	http://www.global.vcu.edu/abroad/incoming/index.html

Description

VCU is UWE's only cross-faculty exchange, offering students from a number of departments the opportunity to study in the US. VCU provides a comprehensive orientation programme that includes an airport pick up, city and campus tour, talks on student and library facilities and practical information. The approximate cost for a yearlong exchange (excluding UK tuition fees and any eligible maintenance grants or loans) is around \$13,700.

Surrounding Area

Richmond is a vibrant city with a historic centre, located 150km south of Washington, DC and 460km south of New York and was the Capital of the Confederate States of America during the Civil War (1861-1865). Students can explore its colonial quarter and museums, and explore national parks and the nearby Virginia beach.



Academic Culture

American academic culture places a strong emphasis on attendance and punctuality. UWE students enrol in to the Honors college, granting various privileges. Students' studies in the US closely reflect their syllabus at UWE but also offer the opportunity for in-depth study of subjects such as American politics, International relations and the history of the slave trade.

Accommodation

Students are housed in West Grace North hall in shared, en-suite rooms. Further information:

<http://www.housing.vcu.edu/>

How to apply

Due to its popularity, UWE is only able to offer this opportunity to students who have good attendance, who have submitted coursework on time, passed modules at first attempt and achieved an average of 2:1 or higher in their first year.

Academic references and an interview may be required before you are nominated.

Following nomination, you will need to complete VCU's application procedure and send this off with proof of finances. This will be followed by a visa application.

Further information

Please visit the [VCU Global Education Office](http://www.global.vcu.edu/abroad/incoming/index.html) website for further information.

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