Important Dates and Deadlines

The below information only applies to students completing ALL required coursework for their program and students eligible to graduate in Summer 2022.

Summer 2022 Masters/EDS/PhD/EDD Students
Aug 1   Application for Degree Conferral Deadline
Aug 12  Final Exam Deadline (Submit exam request 2 weeks prior to defense date)
Aug 26  Electronic Thesis/Dissertation Deadline

Non Thesis Only Programs (MNR, MBA, MIT, M.Eng)
Aug 16  Final Exam/Evaluation Deadline (Non-Thesis Only Programs)
Non-Thesis Only Programs: Your department will send out an email with detailed steps towards the end of the semester for final exam scheduling.

Click to schedule Final Exam!!
• You can only schedule your Final Exam once you have an approved Plan of Study with the Graduate School.

• Check your current Plan of Study status via Hokie Spa: Graduate Student Degree Menu

• If you do not have an approved Plan of Study, please reach your department for assistance to ensure your plan is ready for submission.

• All students graduating this Summer are required to have a Final Exam scheduled with the Graduate School for degree awarding.

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**Library News**

7054 Haycock Road, Falls Church VA 22043, [lib.vt.edu](http://lib.vt.edu) nvclibrary@vt.edu, 703-538-8340

**Library Hours** May 12 - 24

- 5/12 - 5/15: Thursday: 11am – 6pm
  - Friday - Sunday: Closed

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- 5/23 - 5/24: Monday - Tuesday: By Appointment

**Summer Library Hours** May 25 - July 3

- Monday - Thursday: 11am – 8pm
- Friday: 11am – 6pm
- Saturday - Sunday: Closed

**Closed:**

- Friday, May 27 - Monday, May 30 – Memorial Weekend
- Monday, June 20 - Juneteenth observed

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**DC Off-Campus Housing Site**

Virginia Tech has a website that allows students to search for off campus housing in the DC area based on their campus location and other search criteria. The website includes a roommate finder for students looking to share housing with others.

For a list of housing and apartment options in the Falls Church, Alexandria, or Arlington areas, visit the [DC Off-Campus housing site](http://DC Off-Campus housing site). The site supports single sign-on using your VT credentials.
New Facebook Group for VT DC Graduate Students

In order to provide informal space for discussion and peer-to-peer information sharing, we’ve set up a Facebook group and encourage you to join in. It’s our hope that many people will contribute to the group and it can be a living and useful resource.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/vtdcgradcommunity

Events, Workshops, etc.

Thursday Walking Group with Julie!
Join us for a relaxing, healthy break in the day! Relieve stress, and enjoy the fresh air. We’ll walk near the Northern Virginia Center. Featuring mindfulness walking moments. The walking group meets in the NVC Lobby (7054 Haycock Road) Thursdays from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. RSVP to Julie Kaplan, jskaplan@vt.edu, or just drop in that day.

Sponsored by the Cook Counseling Center at the Northern Virginia Center
Julie Kaplan, Ph.D., Embedded Counselor at NVC

Science and Technology Studies (STS) Info Session, June 16

The next online information session for the Science and Technology Studies (STS) Graduate Studies Program in Falls Church will be Thursday, June 16, 2022, at 12:30pm. The zoom link is https://virginiatech.zoom.us/j/82278471196?pwd=K3Q3OXhxQzNQZXdycXBibmU1ZTJ2Zz09

Our fall session begins August 22, so you’ll have plenty of time to register as a new student. We offer:

- Doctoral, Master’s and Certificate degree in Science and Technology Studies (STS)
- World-class faculty with active research programs
- Evening classes for working professionals
- Take classes part-time while working
- Small seminars allow for personal interaction with faculty and peers
- Rolling admissions and year-round course offerings
- Hybrid format, offering in-person and online synchronous options.

If you have any questions, or are an individual with a disability and desire an accommodation, please contact us by email and we'll make every effort to accommodate your request.
**Escape to DC! Lots of Free Events in DC this Weekend!**

**Pride Celebrations, Saturday and Sunday, Various locations throughout DC**

*Pride Month festivities are going on all month long in DC. But this weekend may be the biggest party of them all. It's Pride Weekend, hosted by the Capital Pride Alliance, so get ready for parties, parades, and more. Saturday is a busy day, with the Capital Pride Parade and block party winding its way through the city, plus a Trans Pride Pool Party and kick-off dance party that runs until 3 am at Echostage. Save some energy for Sunday, where a street fair will take over Pennsylvania Avenue and a concert will feature DNCE and Drag Race favorites Willow Pill and Symone. (Thrillist)*

For more information, see the Capital Pride Alliance website.

**Korean Film Festival, National Museum of Asian Art**

*Celebrate the start of DC’s annual Korean Film Festival at the National Museum of Asian Art this weekend. At Friday night’s after-hours event, you’ll hear music straight from Seoul by folk-pop band ADG7 and get an exclusive curator tour of the newly installed exhibition “Once Upon a Roof: Vanished Korean Architecture.” Munch on Korean-inspired food by Bun’d Up, ice cream by Ruby Scoops, and quench your thirst at a cash bar featuring signature cocktails from Please Bring Chips. (Thrillist)*

**Jazz in the Garden, National Gallery of Art, Sculpture Garden, Fridays**

*Jazz in the Garden is returning! Every Friday this summer the National Gallery of Art’s Sculpture Garden will offer different live band performances. This week will feature a performance from The Daniel Ho Band, a new Hawaiian and contemporary instrumental group. Sandwiches, salads, snacks, and sweets will be available at the Pavilion Café and at pop-up bars throughout the Sculpture Garden, along with a variety of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, including beer, wine, and sangria. A limited number of day passes will be released at 10 am the morning of the concert, so be on the lookout. (Thrillist and NGA webpage)*
Escape to a Park!

Huntley Meadows Park, Virginia

“Huntley Meadows Park connects you to treasured homes and habitats. The park is home to a nationally significant historic house, majestic forests, wildflower-speckled meadows and vast wetlands bursting with life. Some of the best wildlife watching in the Washington metropolitan area is here.”

This Fairfax County park of 1500 acres with a half mile of board walks is located just south of Alexandria. And it is a bird’s paradise! Over 200 different species of birds can be spotted throughout the year in the forest, the meadows and from the board walks snaking through the wetlands. There are three different entrances but we always go to the one with the Visitors Center which gets you onto the board walks fairly quickly. Dawn and dusk are the best times to observe the multitude of birds, and you are helped by the observation towers. Unfortunately, dogs are not allowed on the board walks but they can go everywhere else. You will also see the occasional turtle, deer, frogs and beaver.

Trails

https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/huntley-meadows/map
https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/huntley-meadows/trails
Welcome to the Virginia Tech Graduate School in the DC Metro Region

The Newsletter is compiled, written and edited by Susan Merten. It is circulated every Friday. Please send information of interest for graduate students by COB Wednesday to smerten@vt.edu

Connect with the VT Graduate School through the following sites

- Graduate Student Assembly
- VT-National Capital Region
- VTGradSchDC
- NVC Website

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