

“Virginia Educated”

A Post-College Outcomes Study of Virginia Public College and University Graduates

At the request of the Virginia General Assembly, for the first time there has been a survey of undergraduate alumni from all 15 of Virginia’s public universities about their college experience and its effect on their lives and careers. This 2021 survey was overseen by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV), in collaboration with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership (VEDP). The survey is of alumni graduating from 2007 through 2018.

The following is a set of key survey responses; institutions are listed in alphabetical order.

Longwood is one of the six public institutions in Virginia that have alumni satisfaction rates above 90%

College of William & Mary	91.6%
James Madison University	92.3%
Longwood University	91.1%
University of Virginia	92.6%
Virginia Military Institute	91.7%
Virginia Tech	93.4% #1

Christopher Newport University	89.1%
Radford University	89.7%
University of Mary Washington	89.1%
Virginia Commonwealth University	82.5%

A. While completing your college education, did you have a mentor who supported and encouraged your goals?

College of William & Mary	60.1%
James Madison University	52.1%
Longwood University	65.0% #2
University of Virginia	49.5%
Virginia Military Institute	81.4% #1
Virginia Tech	44.4%

Christopher Newport University	56.7%
Radford University	56.0%
University of Mary Washington	58.5%
Virginia Commonwealth University	36.9%

B. Percent of alumni very satisfied with class sizes during college:

College of William & Mary	65.2%
James Madison University	42.4%
Longwood University	73.7% #2
University of Virginia	32.1%
Virginia Military Institute	88.3% #1
Virginia Tech	27.6%

Christopher Newport University	71.2%
Radford University	56.9%
University of Mary Washington	66.7%
Virginia Commonwealth University	25.5%

C. Employment rate of alumni:

College of William & Mary	91.9%
James Madison University	94.1%
Longwood University	94.0%
University of Virginia	92.8%
Virginia Military Institute	95.3%
Virginia Tech	95.9% #1

Christopher Newport University	92.5%
Radford University	93.6%
University of Mary Washington	94.1%
Virginia Commonwealth University	92.0%

D. Did you have an internship during college?

College of William & Mary	66.8%
James Madison University	61.8%
Longwood University	82.8% #1
University of Virginia	70.8%
Virginia Military Institute	57.5%
Virginia Tech	74.7% #2

Christopher Newport University	57.2%
Radford University	50.7%
University of Mary Washington	51.1%
Virginia Commonwealth University	46.0%

E. Do you keep up closely with friends from college?

College of William & Mary	93.6%
James Madison University	91.4%
Longwood University	90.3%
University of Virginia	92.4%
Virginia Military Institute	95.3% #1
Virginia Tech	91.6%

Christopher Newport University	87.1%
Radford University	83.3%
University of Mary Washington	83.0%
Virginia Commonwealth University	78.9%

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