

BEFORE YOU APPLY

Do you...

Have a career plan? Virginia Western's *Career Advisor* can help you weigh your current interests and skills against local and regional employment needs to determine a career pathway that will lead to the right job for you. Setting a career goal from the start will save you time, effort and money. *Contact Ándrea Martin to find out more.*



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Know how you're going to pay for classes? Let Virginia Western's *College Affordability Navigator* help you discover how accessible career training or college education can be. She can assist in simplifying the process associated with financial aid, grants, scholarships, employer tuition assistance and payment plans. *Contact Nickole Toler to find out more.*



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Already have what you believe is college-level learning? You may not have to take classes to learn material you already know. Virginia Western's *Credit for Prior Learning Specialist* can help you determine if and how you can receive credit for college-level learning earned through work, experience and certifications. *Contact Cathy Ferguson to find out more.*



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Virginia Western Community College
Resources & Services
for Adult Learners



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Why Virginia Western?

Virginia Western is an accredited^a public college motivated by **YOUR SUCCESS**. We strive to provide our students with flexibility, variety, affordability and support because you deserve a higher education experience delivered on **YOUR TERMS** without barriers.

We're flexible.

- » Classes are available in-person, online, or a combination of both.
- » Daytime and evening classes are offered.
- » Choose a class schedule that allows you to move at your own pace.
- » Choose a program length that suits your needs and goals – from as few as 3 weeks to 2 years.
- » We will help you find the right program, whether you hope to get a promotion or gain skills needed for a career, not just another job.



We're affordable.

- » Our tuition is about 34% less than Virginia public 4-year and for-profit schools. As of Fall 2022, the average tuition for a full-time student at Virginia Western is \$4,740 per year.*
- » Learn more about Credit for Prior Learning and how it may save you time and money on your education.
- » We also offer:
 - Locally funded scholarships (\$1.4 million awarded in 2020-21**)
 - Federal Pell grants (\$6.8 million awarded in 2020-21**)
 - Workforce training grants (\$1 million awarded in 2020-21**)
 - Financial aid programs to reduce your costs
 - A convenient tuition payment plan

^a Virginia Western Community College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate degrees. Questions about the accreditation of Virginia Western Community College may be directed in writing to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, GA 30033-4097, by calling (404) 679-4500, or by using information available on SACSCOC's website (www.sacscoc.org).

*State Council of Higher Education for Virginia
** Virginia Western Community College 2020-2021 FactBook

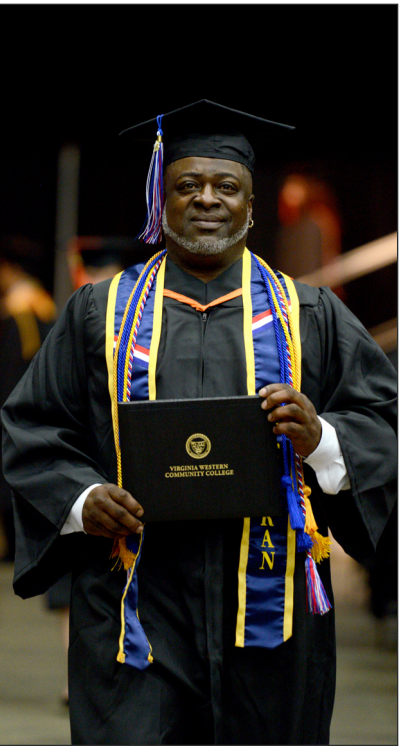
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We're here to help you get started.

- » The Hall Associates Career Center can help you plan your career, develop a resume, prepare for job interviews and can provide job search assistance to connect you with employers for jobs, internships and/or apprenticeships.
- » We know that education doesn't always take place in the classroom. We can help you determine if your knowledge from life and work experiences is equivalent to college-level learning and if you can be awarded credit for it.
- » Find out how many college credits you have earned by compiling all your experience in one place using the Credits2Careers predictor tool at credits2careers.org or scan the code:



31% of Virginia Western students were over the age of 25 during the 2021-22 academic year.**



We're here to support your success.

- » We understand you are juggling multiple responsibilities, and our Get REAL (Refocusing Education on Adult Learners) staff are here specifically to assist you.
- » Resources such as the food co-op and emergency funding offer help when life gets difficult.
- » Our relationships with local industries help us design programs to best position you for a variety of in-demand job opportunities.
- » The Military Student Center is a resource for military-affiliated students that provides support, referral and community building.
- » We also offer:
 - Free tutoring
 - Computer labs
 - Technology assistance
 - Wi-Fi hot spots

24/7 Student Support: 855-874-6690

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