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(of a person, action, or idea) showing a willingness to take risks; confident and courageous.
WE WELCOME EVERY STUDENT who has a desire to learn and a dream of a brighter future. From the day of our founding, NOVA has been an “academy of opportunity.” Our entire community—students, faculty and staff—sees our diversity as an extraordinary strength, inclusion as a central value and equity as a guiding principle. You will find a home at NOVA, one that respects your identity while broadening your horizons. From accounting to artificial intelligence, cinema to cybersecurity, health sciences to hospitality and more: our goal is to ensure that every student succeeds, every program achieves and every community prospers. At NOVA, we go boldly, and we invite you to join us in that journey!

Anne M. Kress, President
Northern Virginia Community College
WE MEAN IT WHEN WE SAY NOVA offers a high-quality education. We challenge all stigmas about community colleges because we are confident that NOVA provides both traditional and nontraditional learners with a variety of on-campus and online courses, hybrid learning options, convenient locations, transfer opportunities and affordable tuition that will save you A LOT of money down the line. (Really, just check out our cost comparison chart on page 9.) With more than 120 degree and certificate programs to choose from, you can find what really interests you.

And that’s not all. You will also find award-winning faculty and staff (some of our adjuncts also teach at the most prestigious four-year institutions; all are experts in the field), high-tech learning environments, small class sizes with personalized attention, a diverse student body, military and veteran support. Most importantly, we are a community that will help you throughout your time at NOVA.
EVERY YEAR, STUDENTS WHO are seeking a bachelor’s degree use our transfer agreements to transition seamlessly from NOVA to one of our four-year partner institutions. Complete the first two years of your degree at NOVA and then transfer as a junior to the college or university of your choice. Same quality education with less student debt!

Our career counselors can assist you in developing and setting your goals. Counseling services include career assessments, occupational information and employment resources. If your plans include a bachelor’s degree, our counselors and advisors can make sure you’re on the right track to easily transfer to a four-year college.
YOUR COLLEGE EDUCATION doesn’t have to be expensive, that’s why NOVA is a smart choice.

In addition to NOVA’s affordable in-state tuition, your education can be even more accessible than you thought with scholarships, grants, work study and loans. NOVA administers more than $130 million in financial aid each year and every student is encouraged to apply for a share.

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You can save 40% on your first two years of college by attending NOVA and then transferring to a 4-year university.

All data courtesy of: www.nvcc.edu/workforce/research

COST per semester
ADVISING HELPS YOU START STRONG so you finish fast. New students ages 17 to 24 attend student orientation and meet with a first-year advisor to make an academic plan. If you are older than 24, you are encouraged to discuss your goals with an academic advisor to make sure you’re taking the right courses and understand NOVA’s policies and procedures. Don’t waste your time or money. Seek out your advisor to ensure you’re on the right track.

NOVA’s Office of Military and Veteran Services provides comprehensive resources to veterans, military-related personnel and dependents who are utilizing VA and tuition assistance educational benefits. The office provides guidance on certification requirements and acts as a liaison between NOVA and the Department of Veterans Affairs, while helping you transition from the military to college.

The Office of Disability Services ensures all students have an opportunity to pursue a college education regardless of the presence or absence of a disability. NOVA makes reasonable accommodations in providing course, program and building modification, and/or auxiliary aids and services in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA) of 2008. No academically qualified student with a disability will be denied access to or participation in NOVA’s services, programs and activities.

Got questions? Try VIRTUAL ADVISING

We’re With You Every Step
Study Wherever You Want

PREFER DISTANCE LEARNING? No problem. NOVA is a nationally-recognized leader in online learning. We offer classes in more than 50 academic disciplines and you can complete more than 30 academic degree and certificate programs fully online, through NOVA Online. Tuition, registration and financial aid policies are the same regardless of whether you choose to come to campus or learn while still in your jammies. Whether to speed completion of their degree or to accommodate a busy work or family schedule, many students enroll in both online and on-campus classes. In a word: flexible!

Take College Courses in High School

HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS (or the home school equivalent) may be eligible to take NOVA credit classes through dual enrollment, offering students the opportunity to accumulate college credit while still in high school. In addition to courses offered on campus, many students take advantage of NOVA classes held at their high schools. Some classes count toward both high school and college graduation.
Explore Other Options

ARE YOU LOOKING TO GET INTO THE JOB MARKET QUICKLY?
Check out NOVA’s two-year associate degree and shorter certificate programs in hot career fields such as biotechnology, cybersecurity, healthcare, automotive, information technology and more.

You can also acquire new skills and knowledge to change careers or get a promotion with our non-credit workforce training in computer programming, web design and development, project management, contract management, entrepreneurship and more. Most of these programs are scheduled to accommodate your busy lifestyle.
In the greater D.C. area, there are more than 35,000 persons working in physical and life sciences.

More than 50% of healthcare jobs in Northern Virginia require less than a bachelor’s degree.

Business and hospitality jobs make up 39% of all jobs in the Northern Virginia region.

There are more than 50,000 workers in Northern Virginia in education and public service careers.

In the Northern Virginia region, there are approximately 6,700 jobs advertised in fine arts and digital media each year in the Northern Virginia region.

On average, the Northern Virginia region employs six times the number of political scientists as the rest of the country.

Those working in math and computer science in Northern Virginia make an average more than $100,000 per year.

The average engineer wage in Northern Virginia is approximately $10,000 more annually than the national average.

The Washington, D.C. region is the 2nd hottest job market nationally for IT professionals.

Discover what you didn’t know we offer.

View full list of PROGRAMS

Areas of Interest:

Accounting
Administration of Justice
Air Conditioning and Refrigeration
American Sign Language
Anthropology (Sociology)
Arabic
Archaeology (History)
Architecture
Art/Communication Design
Auto Body
Automotive
Biological
Business Management and Administration
Chemistry
Childhood Development (Education)
Chinese
Civil Engineering Technology
Collision Repair (AUB)
Communication Studies
Computer Sciences
Construction Management (BLD)
Contract Management
Cybersecurity
Dental Hygiene
Diagnostic Medical Sonography
Dietetics
Drafting (CAD)
Driver Education (EDU)
Economics
Education
Emergency Medical Services
Engineering
English
English as a Second Language
Environmental Science
Film Studies
Financial Services
Fire Science Technology
French
Geographic Information Systems
Geography
Geology
German
Health
Health Information Management
History
Homeland Security (ADJ)
Humanities
Human Services
Massage Therapy (Health)
Mathematics
Medical Laboratory Technology
Music
Natural Science
Nursing
Occupational Therapy Assistant
Paralegal Studies
Philosophy
Phlebotomy
Photography
Physical Education and Recreation
Physical Therapist Assistant
Physics
Political Science
Portuguese
Psychology
Radiation Oncology
Radiography
Real Estate
Recreation and Parks
Religion
Respiratory Therapy
Russian
Social Science
Sociology
Spanish
Student Development
Theatre
Travel/Tourism
Veterinary Technology
Video (Photography)
Web Design
Welding

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Build Your Résumé

Utilize Our Career Resources

INTERNERSHIP AND CO-OP OPPORTUNITIES extend your education into the workplace to provide a comprehensive experience that combines theory and practice. These opportunities offer practical job training and valuable résumé-building experience. You may be eligible to receive a salary, stipend or tuition assistance from employers in addition to academic credit from NOVA. Internships and co-ops give employers the opportunity to see you in action, and many employers often offer full-time, permanent positions to impressive interns, easing entry into the workforce.

CAREER CONNECTION IS NOVA’S ONLINE AND MOBILE career management system that lets students and alumni explore careers, develop career readiness skills, as well as find and connect to employers and jobs. Employers post hundreds of current jobs and internships regionally and nationally.
ATHLETICS
College is not the same without sports. Whether you want to watch the game and cheer on your Nighthawks or join a team and compete against top regional teams in basketball, volleyball, soccer, softball, cross country, ice hockey or lacrosse, NOVA has plenty to choose from. We even offer a varsity E-sports program. Not the competitive type? Consider intramural sports like soccer, flag football, bowling and basketball. Or you can stay in shape at one of our campus fitness facilities.

ENGAGE WITH STUDENT LIFE
NOVA offers a wide range of clubs and organizations for every interest: from music to robotics, environmental awareness, gaming and more. Become a student leader, gain valuable skills, learn about your strengths and build your résumé with the types of activities employers like to see.

BROADEN YOUR HORIZONS
Each year, NOVA faculty members lead short-term study abroad programs that let you participate in international experiences that fit your professional, academic and personal goals. The programs are developed around the academic calendar so you can take advantage of these opportunities without the stress of missing your other classes.
OUR GRADUATES CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATIONS at a wide variety of colleges and universities, including George Mason University, Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia Tech, James Madison University, Old Dominion University, University of Virginia, University of Maryland and more.

All students who have taken classes at NOVA are considered alumni whether they graduate, transfer to another academic institution or just take classes on campus or online. Stay connected to NOVA through the Alumni Federation.
Northern Virginia Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, political affiliation, disability, or veteran status in its programs and activities. Inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policy may be addressed to: Equal Opportunity Officer, 3926 Pender Drive, Suite 150, Fairfax, VA 22030-0974, at 703–323–3266 or eo@nvcc.edu.