



WHATS BRUIN IN THE CAREER CENTER

October 8, 2021

IMPORTANT DATES

October 11	Student Holiday – No School
October 13	PSAT/SAT @ LBSS
October 15	Application Workshop in Career Center during lunch
October 18-21	FCPS Virtual College Week

COLLEGE REP INFO SESSIONS – Come meet with a College Representative. I am adding Universities every day! Sign up in Naviance and print/screen shot the confirmation page. You will show the print screen/screen shot to your teacher to be released from class. For all virtual visits please bring your laptop and headphones. To sign up click colleges at the top of Naviance homepage than click 'college visits' from the dropdown menu.

Upcoming sessions include:

In-Person	10/12/2021	12:40 PM	Career Center	Towson University
In-Person	10/12/2021	10:00 AM	Career Center	Susquehanna University
Virtual	10/14/2021	8:20 AM	Career Center	Stevens Institute of Technology
Virtual	10/15/2021	9:45 AM	Career Center	University of Michigan

STUDENT SERVICES NEWS

Fall Open Houses for Prospective Students – VA Public Schools

- [Christopher Newport University](#)
- [George Mason University](#)
- [James Madison University](#)
- [Longwood University](#)
- [University of Mary Washington](#)
- [Norfolk State University](#)
- [Old Dominion University](#)
- [Radford University](#)
- [University of Virginia](#) * Open "In-Person Visit" and event information for specific schools within the university will become visible.
- [University of Virginia College at Wise](#)
- [Virginia Commonwealth University](#)
- [Virginia Military Institute](#)
- [Virginia State University](#)
- [Virginia Tech](#)
- [William & Mary](#)

Virginia Tech Open House (HS)

Prospective students are invited to attend [Virginia Tech's Open House](#). There are two remaining fall dates to choose from: **Saturday, November 6, Sunday, November 7**

Choose one day to visit campus, eat some of our award-winning food, learn more about majors that interest you, check out student life, and much more!

[Students can sign up for an Open House here](#)

Application Workshops

Student Services is hosting an application workshop in the Career Center on Friday, October 15th during all HS lunches. It will give students a chance to work on their applications and have counselors available to answer any questions. If you are interested, please sign up in Naviance under college visits or just stop by during lunch.

Virtual College Week (HS)

FCPS Virtual College Week will take place **Monday, October 18 - Thursday, October 21, 2021**. FCPS families are invited to attend virtual sessions on a variety of topics, including how to pay for college, dual enrollment, AP/IB, how to apply to a military academy, and college essay writing. [Registration](#) is now open, and students and families can sign-up for as many sessions as they wish. Don't forget to check out the [FCPS Virtual College Week](#) webpage for updates and to learn about various college fairs available to students. Please direct any questions about Virtual College Week to Karen Huffman at kshuffman@fpcs.edu. Details on Financial workshops is below.

What: Virtual College Week
When: Monday, October 18 - Thursday, October 21, 2021
Where: Zoom Webinars
How: [Register online!](#)

George Washington University - Biomedical Laboratory Sciences Department Presents A Virtual Open House

- Wednesday, October 27 from 7:00 – 7:45 PM EST (<http://evite.me/vfxP3TSRG3>)
- Thursday, October 28 from 3:30 – 4:15 PM EST (<http://evite.me/yGYzKCz7sE>)

Students Interested in a Healthcare Field are invited to come and listen about the growing biomedical sciences industry, which includes the study of disease causation and diagnosis, and get your questions answered by students, advisors, and faculty members. On Wednesday, October 27 from 7:00 – 7:45 PM EST and Thursday, October 28 from 3:30 – 4:15 PM EST, we will showcase the many programs the Biomedical Laboratory Sciences (BLS) department at George Washington University has to offer including, **Medical Laboratory Science, Assisted Reproductive Technology, Molecular Diagnostic Sciences, and many more.**

A Unique Opportunity with Florida State

For over 60 years, Florida State University (FSU) has been a nationally recognized leader in the field of international higher education, offering a variety of study abroad and internship opportunities across the globe. One of FSU's most celebrated study abroad programs is the [First Year Abroad](#) (FYA) program. This program gives incoming first year students the chance to study at FSU's international study centers throughout their first year of college (fall, spring, and summer terms). During this sustained global experience, students will form deep friendships, benefit from small class sizes, and use the host country as a classroom, all while they immerse themselves in a culture unlike their own.

Studying abroad with FSU also has financial benefits. Out-of-state students who successfully complete the FYA program will earn an **in-state tuition waiver** for the remainder of their first undergraduate degree at FSU. Florida residents who maintain a 3.0 GPA while abroad will earn up to **\$3,000 in scholarships** towards the FYA program. Students can also apply their financial aid toward the cost of the program.

Landscape Architecture Virtual Webinar

Learn About Promising Careers in Landscape Architecture, Presentation by Chuck Ware, Landscape Architect. Open to Fairfax County Middle and High School Students

Tuesday, October 12, 2021 from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Use the registration link to secure your spot by no later than **Monday, October 11, 2021:**

<https://bit.ly/LandscapeArch2021>

Zoom link will be emailed 24 hours before the virtual event.

Hosted by Virginia Tech Landscape Architecture Program

<https://archdesign.caus.vt.edu/lar/>

Please also check out the Dream Big program for K-12 Students by the American Society of Landscape Architects

<https://www.asla.org/dreambig.aspx>

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Discover USC

USC is hosting an in-person Discover USC events in several cities this fall. This is a great way for students to find out more information about USC, our programs, and the application process. We are finding that some folks are taking advantage of our digital programming, while some are excited to have an in-person experience.

Click the links below to view the flyers for the Discover USC programs in your area:

[Monday, October 11th - Discover USC - Washington, DC](#)

College Access Fairfax Regional Financial Aid Seminars for Seniors and Their Families

Region 4 hosted over 240 seniors and families at the Paying For College Night virtual workshop on October 5. The recording of the College Access Fairfax presentation specific to seniors is on their website under [Virtual Library](#) or

directly posted on [YouTube](#). There is another presentation, (also in Spanish) on October 14th. [Click her for flyer and zoom links](#). You will need to be on the students FCPS account to access the flyer & meeting.

FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOPS (OCTOBER 18 – OCTOBER 21, 2021)

FINANCIAL AID ESSENTIALS – FOR STUDENTS

NOVA Financial Aid staff members will walk new & returning students through the financial aid process-- from securing an FSA ID, to completing the FAFSA each year, and verification. You will learn how to communicate with financial aid staff, what to expect in your aid notification, how to apply for scholarships, and your academic responsibilities for maintaining financial aid eligibility. You will also hear about appeals, Satisfactory Academic Progress, and making the most of limited Pell Grants and student loans.

REGISTER HERE:

[MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021 3:00PM](#)

[WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2021 10:00AM](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

HOW TO PAY FOR COLLEGE - Please note the date for this is October 21 NOT October 18. If you have already registered for this course you are registered for October 21.

Paying for College can be a challenge. Fortunately, there are a number of programs available to help students and families cover their educational expenses. Join us to see how these programs (both new and old) can help you meet your goals!

REGISTER HERE:

[THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2021 6:00 PM](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

COMPLETING VERIFICATION AND FAFSA UPDATES

Verification is the process of “proving” the data submitted on the FAFSA. Typically, about one in three student’s FAFSAs is selected for verification. Until verification on a selected file is completed, no financial aid is packaged for that selected student. NOVA Financial Aid staff members will walk you through the verification process, help you understand what is

required and point out areas that cause problems. The sooner you complete the process, the sooner you will know what aid is available for you.

REGISTER HERE:

[TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2021 10:00AM](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

FINANCIAL AID ESSENTIALS – FOR PARENTS

Parental information is required on the FAFSA for most students under the age of 24. NOVA Financial Aid staff members will talk with parents about the financial aid process. Parents will learn what is required of them, from securing their own FSA ID to completing the FAFSA and verification. Parents will learn how to communicate with financial aid staff, what staff members can and cannot share with parents, what to expect in your student's aid notification, how your student can apply for scholarships, and the academic responsibilities for maintaining financial aid eligibility.

REGISTER HERE:

[TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2021 6:00PM](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Many sources of financial aid are available to NOVA students from federal, state, VCCS, institutional and private resources. Almost all of these resources require a "return on investment". Students must do their part and make reasonable academic progress toward program completion. NOVA Financial Aid staff members will explain the rate of completion and GPA requirements of Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP), the extenuating circumstances that could be appealed and the process for doing so, the value of understanding an advisement report and of creating an academic plan.

REGISTER HERE:

[WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2021 3:00PM](#)

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FINANCIAL AID VIRTUAL LOBBY

Visit our virtual office and speak with a NOVA Campus Financial Aid Manager one-one-one. This is your opportunity to ask any questions or seek any help needed regarding your financial aid.

JOIN HERE:

[FINANCIAL AID VIRTUAL LOBBY](#)

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Kids First Swim School

Kids First Swim School in Springfield is looking to hire more friendly faces. We have a need for Swim Instructors and Certified Lifeguards. Please see attached flyer for application instructions.

Woodlands Retirement Living Community

The Woodlands Retirement Living Community located at 4320 Forest Hill Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030 have several part-time job opportunities for students! We are looking for part-time servers to work evenings and weekends starting **at \$16.00 per hour plus a \$250.00 Sign-On Bonus**. We are always looking for talented, self-motivated individuals to join our team! If you have any students that are interested in beginning their culinary career as a Dining Room Server, please forward the attached flyer so that they can apply online or come in person to apply.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES – Check X2VOL in Naviance for new opportunities posted by non-profit organizations. Current volunteer needs include: [Volunteer Fairfax](#) - **Students are invited to search the Directory of Youth Service Opportunities to find service opportunities. Families may also find opportunities to serve together through VolunteerNow.**

Cherry Run Fall Festival

Cherry Run Elementary is hosting a Fall Festival event on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 5-7PM at Cherry Run school. We are in need of volunteers to help run or oversee some of our events. We were hoping there may be some LBSS students in need of volunteer service hours. I'm including the [SignUp Genius](#) with all the details of volunteer opportunities in need. The event will be held outside and all FCPS safety protocols will be in place.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d45a8aa2fa6f49-cherry>

CURRENT SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES – **Check Naviance** for new scholarship opportunities vetted by FCPS, including (but not limited to):

Scholarships

UVA School of Architecture, <https://www.arch.virginia.edu/events/ugrad-info-sessions-and-tours-fall-2021>

European Universities Consortium (EUC) US, Canada & Caribbean, <https://europeanuniversities.eu/contact-us/tour-schedule/>

Explore Design Futures, <https://www.arch.virginia.edu/events/explore-design-futures>

Leadership Enterprise For a Diverse America (LEDA), <https://ledascholars.org/our-program/leda-scholars-program/recruitment-admissions/apply/>

Enrichment Programs

School of Architecture – event date Sept. 17, 22, Oct. 15, Nov. 19 or Dec. 1, 2021 -

<https://www.arch.virginia.edu/events/ugrad-info-sessions-and-tours-fall-2021>

European Universities Consortium (EUC) US, Canada & Caribbean – event date Oct. 5 & 6, 2021 from 5pm to 8pm -

<https://europeanuniversities.eu/contact-us/tour-schedule/>

Explore Design Futures – event date Nov. 3, 2021 from 6pm to 7:30pm - <https://www.arch.virginia.edu/events/explore-design-futures>

Leadership Enterprise For a Diverse America (LEDA) – deadline Dec. 14, 2021 – event date 7 weeks in summer 2022 -

<https://ledascholars.org/our-program/leda-scholars-program/recruitment-admissions/apply/>