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Virginia Commonwealth University

Item 198	First Year - FY2011	Second Year - FY2012
Educational and General Programs (10000)	\$482,709,706	\$440,355,760
Higher Education Instruction (100101)	\$309,806,612	\$267,452,666
Higher Education Research (100102)	\$11,011,452	\$11,011,452
Higher Education Public Services (100103)	\$3,479,428	\$3,479,428
Higher Education Academic Support (100104)	\$59,628,307	\$59,628,307
Higher Education Student Services (100105)	\$15,006,316	\$15,006,316
Higher Education Institutional Support (100106)	\$44,439,702	\$44,439,702
Operation and Maintenance of Plant (100107)	\$39,337,889	\$39,337,889
Fund Sources:		
General	\$159,638,456	\$140,445,431
Higher Education Operating	\$323,071,250	\$299,910,329

Authority: Title 23, Chapter 6.1, Code of Virginia.

A. This Item includes general and nongeneral fund appropriations to support institutional initiatives that help meet statewide goals described in the Restructured Higher Education Financial and Administrative Operations Act of 2005 (Chapters 933 and 945, 2005 Acts of Assembly).

B.1. Out of this appropriation, \$5,072,520 the first year and \$5,072,520 the second year from the general fund is provided for the operation of the Family Practice Residency Program and Family Practice medical student programs. This appropriation for Family Practice programs, whether ultimately implemented by contract, agreement or other means, is considered to be a grant.

2. The university shall report by July 1 annually to the Department of Planning and Budget an operating plan for the Family Practice Residency Program.

3. The university, in cooperation with the University of Virginia, shall establish elective Family Practice Medicine experiences in Southwest Virginia for both students and residents.

4. In the event the Governor imposes across-the-board general fund reductions, pursuant to his executive authority in § 4-1.02 of this act, the general fund appropriation for the Family Practice programs shall be exempt from any reductions, provided the general fund appropriation for the family practice program is excluded from the total general fund appropriation for Virginia Commonwealth University for purposes of determining the University's portion of the statewide general fund reduction requirement.

C. Out of this appropriation an amount estimated at \$332,140 from the general fund and \$168,533 from nongeneral funds the first year and \$332,140 from the general fund and \$168,533 from nongeneral funds the second year is designated for the educational telecommunications project to provide graduate engineering education, subject to a plan approved by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia.

D.1. Out of this appropriation, not less than \$314,747 the first year and \$314,747 the second year from the general fund is designated for the Virginia Center on Aging. This includes \$194,750 in each year for the Alzheimer's and Related Diseases Research Award Fund.

2. Out of this appropriation \$304,594 from the general fund and \$356,250 from nongeneral funds the first year and \$304,594 from the general fund and \$356,250 from nongeneral funds the second year is designated for the operation of the Virginia Geriatric Education Center and the Geriatric Academic Career Awards Program, both to be administered by the Virginia Center on Aging.

E. It is the intent of the General Assembly that Virginia Commonwealth University, in conjunction with the University of Virginia and Eastern Virginia Medical School, maintain its efforts to educate and train sufficient generalist physicians to meet the needs of the Commonwealth, recognizing the Commonwealth's need for generalist physicians in medically underserved regions of the state. Further, it is the intent that the University support medical education and training in the principles of generalist medicine for all undergraduate medical students, regardless of their chosen specialty or field of study.

F. All costs for maintenance and operation of the physical plant of the School of Engineering, Phase I and future renovations, repairs, and improvements as they become necessary shall be financed from nongeneral funds.

G. It is the intent of the General Assembly to assist the three Virginia medical schools as they respond to changes in the need for delivery and financing of medical education, both undergraduate and graduate.

H. Out of this appropriation, \$243,675 the first year and \$243,675 the second year from the general fund is designated for support of the Council on Economic Education.

I. Out of this appropriation, \$39,394 the first year and \$39,394 the second year from the general fund is designated for support of the Education Policy Institute.

J.1. Out of this appropriation, \$44,500,000 the first year and \$44,500,000 the second year from nongeneral funds is designated to support the university's branch campus in Qatar.

2. Notwithstanding § 2.2-1802 of the Code of Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University is authorized to maintain a local bank account in Qatar and non-U.S. countries to facilitate business operations the VCU Qatar Campus. These accounts are exempt from the Securities for Public Deposits Act, Title 2.2, Chapter 44 of the Code of Virginia.

3. Procurements and expenditures from the local bank account(s) are not subject to the Virginia Public Procurement Act and the Commonwealth Accounting Policies and Procedures (CAPP) Manual. Virginia Commonwealth University will institute procurement policies based on competitive procurement principles, except as otherwise stated within these policies. Expenditures from the local bank account will be recorded in the Commonwealth Accounting and Reporting System by Agency Transaction Vouchers, as appropriated herewith with revenue recognized as equal to the expenditures.

4. Notwithstanding Section 2.2-1149 of the Code of Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University is authorized to approve operating, income and capital leases in Qatar under policies and procedures developed by the University.

5. Virginia Commonwealth University is authorized to establish and hire staff (non-faculty) positions in Qatar under policies and procedures developed by the University. These employees, who are employed solely to support the Qatar Campus are not considered employees of the Commonwealth of Virginia and are not subject to the Virginia Personnel Act.

6. The Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University is authorized to establish policies for the Qatar Campus.

K1. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, Virginia Commonwealth University is authorized to remit tuition and fees for merit scholarships for students of high academic achievement subject to the following limitations and restrictions:

2. The number of such scholarships annually awarded to undergraduate Virginia students shall not exceed twenty percent of the fall headcount enrollment of Virginia students in undergraduate studies in the institution from the preceding academic year. The total value of such merit scholarships annually awarded shall not exceed in any year the amount arrived at by multiplying the applicable figure for undergraduate tuition and required fees by twenty percent of the headcount enrollment of Virginia students in undergraduate studies in the institution for the fall semester from the preceding academic year.

3. The number of such scholarships annually awarded to undergraduate non-Virginia students shall not exceed twenty percent of the fall headcount enrollment of non-Virginia students in undergraduate studies in the institution from the preceding academic year. The total value of such merit scholarships annually awarded shall not exceed in any year the amount arrived at by multiplying the applicable figure for undergraduate tuition and required fees by twenty percent of the fall headcount enrollment of non-Virginia students in undergraduate studies in the institution during the preceding academic year.

4. A scholarship awarded under this program shall entitle the holder to receive an annual remission of an amount not to exceed the cost of tuition and required fees to be paid by the student.

L. Out of this appropriation, \$243,675 the first year and \$243,675 the second year from the general fund is provided for the Medical College of Virginia Palliative Care Partnership.

M. As Virginia's public colleges and universities approach full funding of the base adequacy guidelines and as the General Assembly strives to fully fund the general fund share of the base adequacy guidelines, these funds are provided with the intent that, in exercising their authority to set tuition and fees, the Board of Visitors shall take into consideration the impact of escalating college costs for Virginia students and families. In accordance with the cost-sharing goals set forth in § 4-2.01 b. of this act, the Board of Visitors is encouraged to limit increases on tuition and mandatory educational and general fees for in-state, undergraduate students to the extent possible.

N. The appropriation for the fund source Higher Education Operating in this item shall be considered a sum sufficient appropriation, which is an estimate of the amount of revenues to be collected for the educational and general program under the terms of the management agreement between Virginia Commonwealth University and the Commonwealth, as set forth in Chapters 594 and 616, of the 2008 Acts of Assembly.

O. Out of this appropriation, \$23,160,921 the first year from nongeneral funds is provided to support educational and general programs and student financial assistance. The source of the nongeneral funds is the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. This funding is intended to moderate the general fund reductions to the institution, as well as moderate the need for tuition and fee increases and increase student access. The institution is authorized to spend this funding in either the first year or the first quarter of the second year. Prior to release of this funding, the institution shall provide a plan to the Governor delineating the respective portion of this funding to be used for educational and general program funding and financial assistance, and the year it will be spent. In addition, the plan shall include anticipated tuition and fee

increases for the first and second year of the biennium. The amounts appropriated are an estimate, and may be modified by the Director, Department of Planning and Budget, depending on final budget reduction actions taken to higher education and public education in the final budget bill enacted for the 2008-2010 biennium.