

*Report of the
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Subcommittee*

on

Higher Education



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Mr. Chairmen and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the Higher Education Subcommittee, I am pleased to offer budget recommendations that respond to the priorities of the institutions and advance our shared commitment to superior and affordable colleges and universities.

Our recommendations keep faculty salaries competitive with peer institutions, provide a greater investment in instructional and research equipment, increase student access to higher education, and keep the cost of going to college within the reach of all Virginians.

The subcommittee also recommends additional state support for certain core activities, such as administrative computing systems and safety and security improvements, as well as academic program enhancements in teacher preparation, technology education, workforce development, and life science education.

Finally, we recommend increasing the Tuition Assistance Grant from \$2,700 to \$3,000 a year by 2002.

Before leaving the area of higher education and moving on to what we call "other education," I want to recognize the valuable work of the Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Higher Education and the Joint Legislative Subcommittee on Higher Education Funding Policies. We appreciate their painstaking attention to issues of quality, accountability, and affordability in Virginia higher education.

As you know, the Joint Subcommittee on Higher Education Funding Policies is assessing the adequacy of each institution's base appropriation and developing guidelines for ongoing state support. The Subcommittee provided an interim report to members last De-

member and will issue a final report later this year. Its work will provide one of the essential building blocks to long-term, stable funding for higher education.

Regarding the innovative and commendable proposal to develop institutional performance agreements, the subcommittee recommends a slower approach than that proposed by the Governor, allowing time for the development of funding guidelines, decentralization proposals, and additional performance measures before committing to long-term agreements. We look forward to working with the Governor this year and considering the proposal in light of additional information in the 2001 Session.

Beyond the area of higher education, our subcommittee recommends significant investments in the arts, humanities, and libraries. We recommend over \$1 million each for the Virginia Commission for the Arts and the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities. We are particularly pleased to recommend full funding of the formula for state aid to public libraries. This is a goal that we have worked toward for several years.

Now that we have reached the goal, it makes sense to be forward-looking and evaluate our future needs in light of technological advances and the ability of local communities to fund library services. Therefore, we have directed JLARC to review the formula with these considerations in mind. Finally, the subcommittee recommends that the Library of Virginia establish a construction grant program to assist public libraries with renovations and other facility improvements.

The details of the subcommittee's report are contained in the attachments. Committee staff will review our report and the attached listing of our recommendations in greater detail, and we hope it will be your pleasure to adopt the report.

<u>Amendment</u>	BIENNIAL TOTAL		
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Nongeneral Fund</u>	<u>FTE</u>

Higher Education

State Council of Higher Education for Virginia

TAG at \$2,850 and \$3,000	5,874,900		
TAG Participation	Language		
Virtual Library of Virginia	2,376,400		
Strategic Plan Report	Language		
Report of Institutional Effectiveness	Language		
Study of Financial Aid Programs	Language		

Christopher Newport University

Faculty Salary Increase	170,658		
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(110,530)		
Full-Time Faculty Positions	300,000	150,000	5.00
Restore Computer Implementation Positions	713,600		8.00
Student Financial Aid	106,430		

The College Of William And Mary In Virginia

Faculty Salary Increase	1,074,506		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(964,500)	964,500	
Enterprise Resource Planning System	1,200,000	400,000	
Student Financial Aid	126,600		

Richard Bland College

Faculty Salary Increase	31,032		
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(9,620)		
Administrative Computing Systems	489,000		

Virginia Institute Of Marine Science

Faculty Salary Increase	122,018		
State-Mandated Research	487,500		6.00
Chesapeake Bay Bight Observing System	300,000		1.00

George Mason University

Faculty Salary Increase	964,564		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(1,334,650)	1,334,650	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(485,590)		
Student Financial Aid	887,130		

James Madison University

Faculty Salary Increase	631,065		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(1,017,920)	1,017,920	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(53,620)		
Faculty for Business, Science, and Media Arts	4,941,390	1,004,000	35.00
Student Financial Aid	320,190		

Longwood College

Faculty Salary Increase	124,136		
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(225,870)		
Halifax/South Boston Center	100,000		
Safety and Security Improvements	300,000		5.00
Tuition Reduction for % of Cost Policy	675,000	(675,000)	
Increase Employment Level	-		16.00

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	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Nongeneral Fund</u>	<u>FTE</u>
Student Financial Aid	160,330		
Mary Washington College			
Faculty Salary Increase	288,979		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(309,060)	309,060	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(92,570)		
Positions for James Monroe Center	800,000	50,000	6.00
Norfolk State University			
Faculty Salary Increase	276,919		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(340,210)	340,210	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(11,920)		
Adjust Base for Y2K Appropriation	(162,906)		
Student Financial Aid	347,400		
Old Dominion University			
Faculty Salary Increase	634,423		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(978,110)	978,110	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(383,400)		
TeachTech Program	1,628,000	600,000	7.00
No.Va. Higher Education Center	600,000		3.00
Student Financial Aid	417,080		
Enterprise Account for Distance Education	Language		
Radford University			
Faculty Salary Increase	290,556		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(246,330)	246,330	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(133,670)		
Expand and Enhance Technology Education	1,053,190		8.00
Programs at Roanoke Higher Educ. Center	100,000		
Student Financial Aid	217,410		
Remove Tobacco Commission Language	Language		
Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center			
SWVHEC E-Business Center	275,000	60,000	2.00
University Of Virginia			
Faculty Salary Increase	2,046,688		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(3,646,170)	3,646,170	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(90,940)		
Foundation for the Humanities	1,169,600		
Youth Gang Prevention Project	200,000		
Resource Planning System	4,447,545	11,250,000	25.00
State Arboretum Blandy Farm	100,000		
Student Financial Aid	76,280		
University Of Virginia's College At Wise			
Faculty Salary Increase	80,743		
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(28,040)		
Engineering and Technology Program	420,000		3.00
Admissions and Development Staff	300,000		4.00
Virginia Commonwealth University			

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Faculty Salary Increase	1,625,616		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(2,202,000)	2,202,000	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(79,880)		
Pharmacy Residency Program	100,000		
Youth Gang Prevention Project	200,000		
Adjust Enrollment Funds for New Figures	(1,631,510)	(5,984,458)	
School of Engineering	500,000		7.00
Autism Program of Virginia	400,000		
Life Sciences Program Faculty and Labs	4,002,000		9.00
Alzheimer's Research Award Fund	120,000		
Student Financial Aid	693,760		
Virginia Community College System			
Faculty Salary Increase	1,492,929		
Correct Funding for Operation and Maintenance	227,116		
Maintenance and Support Costs	248,830		53.00
Inst. for Workforce Excellence/Workforce Programs	2,200,000		6.00
Equipment at NVCC and TCC	1,000,000		
JSRCC Heavy Equipment Operators Program	200,000		
JTCC Midlothian Campus	400,000		
VWCC Support for Roanoke Higher Educ. Center	400,000		
Tuition Assistance for Foster Care Children	50,000		
BRCC Lease Payments	(420,000)		
DCC Interpreter Services		Language	
Occ./Tech. Equipment (\$750,000/Yr in ETF)		Language	
Remove Tobacco Commission Language		Language	
Enterprise Account for Distance Education		Language	
Virginia Military Institute			
Faculty Salary Increase	93,048		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(162,520)	162,520	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	-		
Corp of Cadets at VPI	184,300		
Student Financial Aid	89,140		
Virginia Polytechnic Institute And State University			
Faculty Salary Increase	3,130,133		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(2,227,320)	2,227,320	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(17,330)		
Equine Medical Center	200,000		
Alexandria Research Institute	1,000,000		
Critical Operating Needs	2,242,000		17.50
Rural Prosperity Study Commission (HJ 129)	150,000		
Student Financial Aid	1,767,690		
Enterprise Account for Distance Education		Language	
Virginia Cooperative Extension And Agricultural Experiment Station			
Faculty Salary Increase	602,179		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(90,480)	90,480	

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Cooperative Extension Strategic Plan	1,062,000		10.00
Amelia County Extension Service	25,000		
Virginia State University			
Faculty Salary Increase	155,103		
Fund Split Faculty Salaries	(210,360)	210,360	
Cap Enrollment Funds at First Year Level	(305,120)		
ADA Compliance and Support Services	300,000		
Endowment Challenge Program	200,000		
Virginia State University Extension Division			
Faculty Salary Increase	4,013		
Statewide Higher Education Issues			
Adjust Lease Payments for Equipment Trust Fund	(2,730,000)		
Equipment Trust Fund Increase of \$18.5 Million	2,369,200		
Medical College Of Hampton Roads			
Funding for Enrollment and Programs	1,000,000		
Roanoke Higher Education Authority			
Roanoke Higher Education Center Operations	1,085,000		
Study of Roanoke Higher Education Center	Language		
Frontier Culture Museum Of Virginia			
Interpreter Positions	114,000		2.00
Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation			
New Positions	1,300,000		8.00
Educational Programs and Staffing	640,000		8.00
The Library Of Virginia			
Collections Development	1,000,000		
Library Construction Grant Program	765,000		
State Aid to Public Libraries	7,684,860		
Transfer Funds for "Infopowering"	3,700,000		
The Science Museum Of Virginia			
Service Increases	400,000		4.00
Staffing for Belmont Bay	100,000		1.00
Virginia Commission For The Arts			
Increased Funding for Arts Grants	1,000,000		
Administrative Support	100,000		1.00
Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission			
Study of Public Library Formula	Language		
Secretary of Education			
Distance Learning Steering Committee	Language		
Strategic Plan Report	Language		
Department of Technology Planning			
Study of Administrative Systems in Higher Education	Language		
Miscellaneous Provisions			
Share of Cost Policy	Language		
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	63,867,033	20,584,172	260.50

Amendment

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Virginia Community College System
Correct for Opening Dates of New Buildings

(891,967)