Student Responsibility In this Student Handbook, you will find information regarding policies and procedures that govern student rights and responsibilities at UVA Wise. Please also consult the College Catalog for additional information regarding academic policies and regulations. This Handbook is published for the purpose of providing information about UVA Wise and its programs. Contents of this handbook are subject to change at any time without notification. Students are responsible for keeping themselves informed of current policies and procedures. It is the responsibility of all students to adhere to all rules, regulations and deadlines published in the Catalog and the Student Handbook, as well as to participate in all student outcomes assessment activities as deemed appropriate by UVA Wise.

The Handbook is subject to change due to COVID-19 concerns. The most current version of the Student Handbook is available at www.uvawise.edu/student-life.

COVID-19 & Student Responsibility The COVID-19 pandemic is a public health crisis that threatens the health and safety of our College community, as well as other communities locally, nationally, and internationally. As a student at the University of Virginia's College at Wise, you are now a member of the UVA Wise community of trust and are afforded certain privileges that reflect that trust. With trust comes responsibility and the expectation that certain privileges and freedoms depend upon adherence to a set of standards that protect the rights of others within the community.

Students are expected to be committed to the health and safety of our campus community and are expected to abide by College and University of Virginia policies that require specific behaviors and practices to reduce the likelihood of transmitting the COVID-19 virus. These measures may include but are not limited to wearing face coverings, maintaining some degree of distance from other people, limiting the size of gatherings, and personal hygiene measures (such as washing your hands, cleaning surfaces before and after use, etc.) designed to minimize the risk of virus transmission.

In addition to policies and procedures, students are expected to practice the following:

- Social and physical distancing: limit close contact with others who do not live in your room, suite, or apartment.
- Hand hygiene: comply with public health guidelines for healthy hygiene, including washing hands regularly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Face coverings: The University's policy on face coverings requires you to wear a face covering in College buildings or while using College property.
- Personal cleaning: In order to limit exposure, you are responsible for wiping down the surfaces you touch with household disinfectant in bathrooms and shared spaces.
- Gathering size limits: You must follow current limitations on the size of social gatherings, activities, and events inside or outside on campus.
- Staying home if you feel sick: If you experience COVID-19 symptoms, you are required to stay home and call the UVA Health Wise clinic immediately at 276-376-3475. The clinic will instruct you on required next steps. If you are experiencing a medical emergency (i.e. difficulty breathing), call 911.
- COVID-19 testing and contact tracing: You may be required to undergo screening or testing for COVID-19, and to provide information for contact tracing.
- Isolation and quarantine: If you experience COVID-19 symptoms or have been exposed to COVID-19, you may be required to isolate or quarantine. You are required to follow the Health Wise Clinic/Virginia Department of Health instructions regarding isolation and quarantine.

Students who violate the policies, procedures and practices above put the College community at risk and may be charged through the Student Conduct System.
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SGA President Welcome

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to UVA Wise. As the President of the SGA, it is my great honor to serve our students and the campus community. The SGA has high expectations to make many meaningful contributions to the student experience. Together, we comprise a team of 26 students who share a passion for leadership, have the courage to initiate changes toward the enhancement of our college, foster inclusivity, and promote a more unified student body. Visit our webpage, www.uvawise.edu/sga, to learn about our purpose, hosted events, your elected SGA representatives and an opinions/suggestions page where you can submit your ideas.

Across our beautiful campus, you will find an abundance of resources and opportunities. Nearly all are free to you as a student, so I urge you to use them for your benefit. The quality of student life that we all wish to experience begins with a personal initiative to be more involved within our community. Whether it is getting involved with an organization, service project, fraternity or sorority, intramural team, or whatever it may be – there is something here for everyone!

In closing, please know that the SGA is here to serve you. Stop by the Student Leadership Wing or a weekly Friday 1 pm meetings on the SSC 5th floor. The SGA wishes you a fabulous year full of success!

A. Mason Phillips, SGA President

Dean of Students Welcome

As Dean of Students and Chief Housing Officer, it is my pleasure to welcome you to UVA Wise. We are excited that you have chosen one of the nation’s top, public liberal arts colleges to pursue your higher education dream.

UVA Wise is dedicated to your journey and growth as a student. You will have opportunities to learn both in and outside of the classroom and in a variety of settings and experiences. Here you will find over 50+ clubs and organizations, a variety of student activity and intramural programs, a dynamic residence life experience, a number of student leadership experiences, and much more to help complement your academic experience.

Be sure to familiarize yourself with this Handbook, along with other College publications including the Catalog that serve as your guide to our learning community. If you have questions, please ask. There are caring faculty and staff across campus ready to assist.

As you start this academic year, I encourage you to explore the ways that you can be a part of our campus community. Your college experience is what you make it, and your participation in the life of our campus helps to enrich our student body and make our community stronger. Look for ways to engage and serve your fellow students and our community. We are glad you are here and look forward to watching your success!

Joshua V. Justice, Dean of Students & Chief Housing Officer
About the College

The University of Virginia’s College at Wise, formerly Clinch Valley College of the University of Virginia, is the only four-year, state-supported college in far southwestern Virginia and is a division of the University of Virginia.

Situated on 396 acres in Wise County, UVA Wise is an incredible example of the determination and perseverance of southwestern Virginia citizens. Before the College was created, there were no public colleges in Virginia west of Radford. Higher education was simply out of reach for most residents of Virginia’s Appalachian Mountains.

When local residents Fred B. Greear, William A. Thompson, Kenneth P. Asbury, affectionately known as the “Three Wise Men,” and others made their case to University of Virginia President Colgate Darden for establishing a college in Wise, the Commonwealth of Virginia supported the cause by offering $5,000 to open, staff, and operate the two-year school for the first year. Local supporters donated over $6,000 to furnish and equip the classrooms. Wise County donated property and two sandstone buildings, remnants of the county poor farm, to house the first classes. All of these events happened in the winter of 1954. In September of that same year, Clinch Valley College opened its doors to 100 freshmen.

Many of the first classes of graduates went on to the University and other senior institutions and became some of the region’s most successful professionals. As more graduates of the two-year college expressed their preference to stay closer to home to complete their baccalaureate degrees, the College began the process to become a senior institution. The College first granted Bachelor of Arts degrees in June 1970. Bachelor of Science degrees were first awarded in 1973. Bachelor of Science in Nursing degrees were first awarded in 1996. From 1954 to 2016, the College has awarded 13,851 degrees and certificates.
One of the most significant events in the College’s history was the adoption of a new name. On July 1, 1999, following passage of legislation by the Virginia General Assembly, Clinch Valley College became The University of Virginia’s College at Wise.

The small College - once nicknamed “Poor Farm University” - is now a vibrant undergraduate institution. UVA Wise is a member of the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges (COPLAC) and recognized as a College of Distinction. In recent years, the College has experienced an expansive building program, the creation of new academic majors, and the recruitment of the next generation of talented faculty and staff.

The liberal arts foundation emphasized at UVA Wise prepares students for professional careers, graduate study, and lifelong learning. The College’s liberal arts foundation promotes the thoughtful development of the ideas, insights, values, competencies and behavior of an educated person. Small classes taught by faculty who focus on teaching excellence, creative and scholarly activities, and community service characterize its student-centered learning environment. Campus life provides a rich variety of cultural activities that broaden students’ perspectives on the world and its evolving global society.

*The University of Virginia’s College at Wise is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award the baccalaureate degree. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of The University of Virginia’s College at Wise.*

**Institutional Mission**

The University of Virginia’s College at Wise, a public liberal arts institution, provides students with learning experiences that offer opportunities to develop the insight, competence, sensitivity, and integrity necessary for living enriched lives and for enriching the lives of others. Established in 1954 as a college of the University of Virginia, it is guided by the values of citizenship and altruism. Proud of its Appalachian heritage, the College continues to honor its commitment of service to Southwest Virginia, the nation, and the world. The College is guided by a legacy of teaching and scholarly excellence and by a dedication to quality in both the arts and sciences and professional programs. Above all, The University of Virginia’s College at Wise is a diverse community of people who believe that information can be transformed into knowledge and that teaching and learning create a foundation for wisdom.
**Academics**

**ACADEMIC CALENDAR** This is an abbreviated section of the Fall 2020 calendar that is subject to change due to COVID-19 concerns. Visit [www.uvawise.edu/academic-calendar](http://www.uvawise.edu/academic-calendar) to view the most-current, full academic calendar.

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**ACADEMIC SUPPORT CENTER** The ASC is on the lower level of Zehmer Hall and is comprised of three offices serving students. Please call 276-328-0177 or stop by Zehmer Hall for more information and/or applications. Services are free of charge.
**TRIO Student Support Services** provides academic assistance to students who qualify on the basis of first-generation status, income, or disability. Services include individualized academic advising and course planning, priority registration, educational workshops, financial literacy education, assistance completing the FAFSA, guidance applying to graduate and professional school, and more. It is funded by the U.S. Department of Education in the amount of $327,509. Contact [ASC@uvawise.edu](mailto:ASC@uvawise.edu) for more information.

**Tutor Connection** offers free tutoring in most courses, either in person or online through *Smarthinking*. Students enrolled in chemistry also have access to PASS (peer assisted study sessions), which offers weekly reviews that incorporate study tips, active learning strategies, and test preparation to facilitate independent learning. Contact [ASC@uvawise.edu](mailto:ASC@uvawise.edu) for more information.

**Disability Services** is available to all qualified students who are interested in receiving accommodations based on a disability. Students must provide current documentation and will be contacted for an initial consultation. In compliance with Section 504 and ADA legislation, UVA Wise provides services for students with disabilities to assure their access to both facilities and educational programs. Contact [disability@uvawise.edu](mailto:disability@uvawise.edu) for more information.

**COLLEGE CATALOG** It is the official resource for all academic information and policies. It outlines information including, but not limited to, advising, courses, enrollment, semester calendars, and withdrawal. The College Catalog is available online at [www.uvawise.edu/academics/college_catalog](http://www.uvawise.edu/academics/college_catalog).

**RELEASE OF STUDENT INFORMATION** UVA Wise complies with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA). This act restricts information concerning students that the College can make available without a student’s consent. A complete review of the Release of Student Information Policy and an informational brochure may be obtained from
the Registrar’s Office or online at www.uvawise.edu/registrar/FERPA. The University of Virginia’s College at Wise maintains the confidentiality of education records; neither such records, nor personally identifiable information contained therein, except for directory information, shall be released without student permission except as authorized by the Act. Exceptions to this policy are only made under the conditions specified by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. They are:

a) directory information  UVA Wise does not maintain a public directory and Virginia Law prohibits the release of student addresses, email address, or telephone number without affirmative consent. (Information contained in an education record of a student that would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. This information may be released by the College unless the student requests the restriction of its release. Directory information includes the student’s name; home and school address; home and school telephone number; e-mail address; UVA Wise computing ID; date of birth; place of birth; country of citizenship; major field of study; school of enrollment; location of attendance; full-time/part-time status; level and year in school; participation in officially recognized activities and sports; weight and height of the members of athletic teams; dates of attendance; candidacy for degree; degrees, honors, scholarships, and awards received; the most recent previous educational agency or institution attended; the names of a student’s parents or guardians; any unique identifying number created for the purpose of compiling, releasing, or transmitting directory information; and photographic images of the student.),

b) release of information in an emergency where such information is necessary for the protection of the health or safety of the student,

c) release of information to other College staff members who have a legitimate educational need for the information,

d) in connection with financial aid for which a student has applied,

e) under court order or subpoena.

The College, of course, recognizes that parents are very much interested in the progress and welfare of their sons and daughters, and the staff is anxious to address parents’ concerns. Parents and students are encouraged to discuss their feelings about the need to receive information the College would otherwise consider confidential and arrive at an understanding about this important matter.

In compliance with House Bill No. 1058, effective July 1, 2008, UVA Wise has developed a policy and procedure providing for the release of educational records of dependent students to a parent/guardian at his/her request. This shall be implemented as follows:

1. The UVA Wise Office of Information Technology shall electronically solicit dependency status from all incoming and returning students and shall store such data on the College’s central student system of record; and

2. A parent also may provide his/her tax records to the University to demonstrate a student’s dependent status to ensure that such status is accurately recorded in the central student system of record; and

3. The College’s Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs shall designate the office within his/her division as being primarily responsible for collecting and responding to requests from parents of dependent students for academic records; and

4. The Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs or designee shall designate the office within his/her division as being primarily responsible for collecting and responding to requests from parents of dependent students for non-academic (conduct) records; and
5. Appropriate personnel in the offices charged hereunder shall consult the College's central student system of record to confirm a student's dependent status prior to furnishing educational records to parents under this policy; and

6. The foregoing is subject at all times to the authority and direction of the College officials charged hereunder to develop and implement specific procedures as may be desirable or necessary including designating other College offices or personnel to respond to requests for records under this policy as may be necessary or appropriate under the circumstances.

Please also note that according to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), “When a student turns 18 years old or enters a postsecondary institution at any age, all rights afforded to parents under FERPA transfer to the student. However, FERPA also provides ways in which schools may share information with parents without the student’s consent.” See the Parental Notification Policy in the UVA Wise Policies section for more information.

**Student Life**

Student life at UVA Wise extends far beyond the classroom. Exciting athletic events, hearty intramural competition, leadership and mentoring opportunities, and a variety of clubs and organizations all contribute to the rich UVA Wise experience.
Division of Student Affairs  The mission of the Division of Student Affairs is to provide services, programs, facilities and learning opportunities based on sound student development theory that enhance the academic experience of each student and encourage holistic growth to augment individual development. Student Affairs units and offices include:

C. BASCOM SLEMP STUDENT CENTER (SSC) The C. Bascom Slemp Student Center bridges the upper campus and lower campus and serves as the campus living room. The SSC is the hub of student activity on campus and provides the following programs with offices on the 3rd floor:

Conferences & Events offers a variety of facilities and accommodations to host events on campus including birthday parties, bridal/baby showers, weddings, receptions, and other special events. In the summer months, Conferences and Events coordinates overnight camps/groups using residence halls and recreational spaces.

Greek Life The Office of Greek Life seeks to cultivate a community of excellence among the fraternities and sororities at UVA Wise with a focus on outstanding academic achievement, civic responsibility and service, inclusiveness, fellowship, and responsible decision-making that requires and expects the highest standards of integrity and ethics from all members and organizations. The UVA Wise Greek Life system is comprised of national fraternities and sororities, as well as the Interfraternity Council (NIC) governing council for fraternities and the National Panhellenic Council (NPC) governing council for sororities.

Student Recreation offers students a wide range of social and recreational opportunities, boasting more than 10,000 annual participants in their programs. Events calendars are distributed via email.

Student Activities enhance the educational experience through exposure to programs and activities that promote intellectual, cultural, social, recreational, and personal growth. The student-led Student Activities Board (SAB), plans, promotes, and implements a variety of programs designed to meet the needs of a diverse student body through both contracted and ‘home-grown’ events such as movies, grocery bingo, laser tag, putt putt, free Fridays and more. Weekly meetings are open to all students in the SSC Honor Court Conference Room.

Over 50 clubs and organizations provide students with academic, political, service, Greek, social leadership, and fellowship opportunities. The Student Organization Handbook, annually published online by the Office of Student Activities, provides students and advisors guidance for establishment of new organizations, management of current organizations, policies and procedures, available campus resources, and a directory of current organizations and their leadership contacts. Campus facilities may be reserved for organization events, and an Event Planning Form is required for all public social events. Learn more at www.uvawise.edu/studentlife/clubs

Intramurals  A National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA) member, UVA Wise offers one of the best small college intramural programs in the country with facilities which include lighted recreational fields, as well as Greear Gymnasium and Greear Pool. Seasonal and single day events are open to all students and fill the campus calendar with a variety of traditional and nontraditional sports competitions including outdoor & indoor soccer, indoor & sand volleyball, flag football, basketball, spikeball, dodgeball, wallyball, kickball, floor hockey, archery tag, pickleball, gaming tournaments, billiards, table tennis, corn hole, disc golf, racquetball, swim meets, Greek Games, badminton, fantasy sports, and much more.
Outdoor Recreation takes advantage of the opportunities afforded by the natural surroundings of the Southwest Virginia mountains. Events include ski trips, white water adventures, skydiving jumps, professional sporting events, obstacle courses/fun runs, zip lining, and more. The program maintains camping and outdoor recreation equipment for students to use on their own weekend treks at no cost.

The SSC facility also has office and meeting areas in the Student Leadership Wing (SLW) for the SGA, Highland Cavalier, Honor Court, Jimson Weed, and individual clubs & organizations. The recently renovated SLW is equipped with resource carts and supplies, additional meeting space and TVs equipped with easy access apps and Apple TV. The SSC also houses the Bookstore, a game room, Chick-fil-A, Campus Mail Services (Post Office & Cavs Card IDs), the Jefferson Lounge, Honor Court Conference Room and offices, and the Dogwood and Rhododendron Rooms (conference meeting facilities).

COMPLIANCE & INCLUSION (OCI) UVA Wise is committed to maintaining a respectful and professional academic, living, and working environment for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. The OCI mission is to help create a community of mutual respect and inclusiveness while promoting campus compliance with applicable laws, regulations and policies. Keeping the campus community informed of compliance information in the areas of but not limited to: Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 to the 1964 Civil Rights Act (Title IX), Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act (Clery Act) and the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). OCI also provides resources and assistance related to diversity and inclusion to the campus community. OCI is on the upper level of Cantrell Hall, contact us at 276-376-3451.

OCI operates the Multicultural Center (MCC) which aims to promote inclusion and engagement for historically underrepresented students. Some of MCC’s goals are to cultivate all to be equally empowered in their identity, to provide culturally-relevant services, and to build an understanding through dialogue. Please visit the Multicultural Center on the 3rd floor 24/7 side of the Library.

THE COUNSELING CENTER promotes positive choices regarding mental and social well-being by fostering the development of insights, values, and ideas toward implementation of each individual’s personal, academic and professional goals.

All students have issues or concerns from time to time. These issues may include, but are not limited to, adjustment to college, stress, anxiety, time management, self-esteem, roommate conflict, grief and loss, alcohol or drug use, relationships, and depression. Licensed professional counselors offer free, confidential, counseling services to all enrolled students in a safe and non-judgmental environment. Counseling assists students with a wide range of issues that may be affecting academic, social and personal success. Services include individual and/or group counseling, faculty/staff/student consultations, and referrals. A variety of educational and interactive programs are also offered throughout the academic year on topics such as alcohol awareness, depression, and suicide prevention.

DEAN OF STUDENTS The mission of the Office of the Dean of Students is to provide services, programs and facilities which complement the academic experience and allow students to be successful and to excel at intellectual and personal development. This is accomplished by developing student’s leadership and life skills, through the development of a respect for and inclusion of all people, promoting a sense of campus community and college identity, being good stewards of our resources, advocating for the needs of students, creating a campus community where learning has no boundaries, developing an understanding of the importance of service and citizenship, transitioning and integrating new
students into the life of the college, and holding students accountable for responsible and ethical behavior.

The Dean of Students is available on the lower level of Cantrell Hall, serves as the advisor to the Student Government Association, and provides oversight to:

**Student Conduct** Students of the College are expected to conduct themselves in a manner befitting a civilized society, both within the College and elsewhere. See the Student Governance section for more information.

**Housing & Residence Life** The goal of residence life is to support the academic program by providing a living and learning residential environment that is conducive to the growth and development of liberaly educated students so they become full participants in a democratic society and the world at large. A variety of campus living options - traditional, apartment and suite - are available to accommodate more than 500 residential students. UVA Wise has a freshman residency requirement for all new students who live outside the Wise County/City of Norton area.

**Leadership** UVA Wise promotes the development of student leadership through a variety of initiatives including leadership retreats, other events and opportunities.

**STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (OSE)** is dedicated to new and first-year student initiatives and experiences. OSE oversees orientations and an extended orientation experience for new students, development of parent/family weekends and newsletters, and first-year advising. OSE also oversees the New Student Advising Corps of new student faculty advisors. OSE is on the first floor of Crockett Hall.

**Additional Information** Many additional units and departments across campus provide support and opportunities to students in their educational journey, including:

**ATHLETICS** UVA Wise offers every student an opportunity to engage in sports as both a participant and a spectator for the Highland Cavaliers as an NCAA Division II school competing in the South Atlantic Conference (SAC). UVA Wise sponsors the following sports:

- **Women's:** basketball, cross country, golf, lacrosse, softball, tennis, and volleyball
- **Men's:** baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, and tennis

Students and employees with a valid Cavs Card ID are admitted without charge to all home athletic events, excluding post-season tournaments. Go Cavs!

**BOOKSTORE** The UVA Wise Bookstore is a College-owned and operated non-profit organization focused on support and enhancement of the College’s educational mission. It provides new and used textbooks for purchase, with many titles available for rent.

The Bookstore is the official retail outlet for all student needs, offering school, office and computer supplies; a great selection of officially-licensed collegiate apparel; graduation items (diploma frames, class rings and announcements from the College and Balfour); campus print cards; convenience items such as drinks, snacks and toiletries; and special order of items not in stock. Visit their online store at [www.uvawisestore.com](http://www.uvawisestore.com).

The Bookstore accepts cash, personal checks, Visa, Mastercard, Discover, Cavs Card, and Student Charge (deadlines apply) as forms of payment. The Bookstore is open weekdays 8 am to 5 pm in the Slepke Student Center, as well as at select athletic events and special campus events. Visit [www.uvawise.edu/bookstore](http://www.uvawise.edu/bookstore) for more details.
**CAMPUS POLICE** The UVA Wise Campus Police Department is a state certified Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) agency. It maintains a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week service to the College community. The Department consists of nine full-time sworn law enforcement officers who are responsible for the safety and security of all visitors, students, faculty, and staff, as well as a full range of public safety services including all crime reporting, investigations, medical and fire emergency response, and traffic control. The Department is responsible for the enforcement of all laws within the Commonwealth of Virginia, with special attention to the statutes regarding underage alcohol consumption and possession of controlled substances, and sex offenses.

UVA Wise officers have jurisdiction in all of Wise County and any location otherwise that the College owns or maintains. Each officer continually undergoes training with the DCJS to maintain state certification and professional skills. The Department also maintains an excellent working relationship with the Virginia State Police, Wise County’s Sheriff’s Office, and the Town of Wise Police Department. This includes, but is not limited to, the agencies assisting one another with criminal investigations, emergency response, and information sharing.

The Campus Police Department office is in Cantrell Hall and is open each weekday from 8 am-5 pm. Contact information includes:

- **Cantrell Hall Office** 276-328-0190 or 276-328-COPS, 8 am-5 pm
- **Online** [www.uvawise.edu/campuspolice](http://www.uvawise.edu/campuspolice)
- **Patrolling Officer** after hours, non-emergencies – 276-328-3756
- **all emergencies – 911**

The Campus Police Department and its officers provide the campus community with a variety of services, including, but not limited to:

- **Campus Patrols** Officers provide patrols of campus grounds and facilities 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.
- **Emergency Call Boxes** Emergency call boxes are located on campus, primarily in parking lots, and may be activated by pushing a button. The activated call box will automatically notify Campus Police. The caller should give the necessary emergency information to the officer and, if possible, remain at the call box until an officer arrives. Tampering with these units or making false emergency calls is strictly prohibited. Violators will be subject to disciplinary action and/or criminal charges.
- **Vehicles & Parking** All employee and student vehicles parked on campus must be registered with the Campus Police Department and display a valid parking decal. Decals are valid for one year (August 15 to August 15) and are available for purchase in the Campus Police Department. **Vehicle Rules & Regulations** are provided in a brochure at the time of registration and are available on the Campus Police website ([www.uvawise.edu/campuspolice](http://www.uvawise.edu/campuspolice)).

**CAMPUS MAIL SERVICES** Each student, residential or commuter, may register for a free campus mailbox number on the 4th floor of the Slens Student Center. For more information, contact Mail Services at 276-328-0209. A campus mail address would be:

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CAREER DISCOVERY & PLANNING (CDP) offers advising, programming, and information to students and alumni to help them transition to their post-UVA Wise studies and careers. One-on-one coaching is available to help individuals decide on a major or career, learn job search techniques, research graduate schools, and much more.

Opportunities for part-time and full-time job openings, seasonal employment, and internships are shared with students and alumni through social media and other outlets. CDP staff members coordinate on-campus recruiting events to bring prospective employers and graduate school representatives face-to-face with students. The CDP office is on the first floor of Crockett Hall.

CAVS CARD The Cavs Card is the official UVA Wise student identification card. Cards are issued in the Post Office located on the 4th floor of the Slump Student Center. Each card is $15.00 ($5 for new students at Orientation). Cavs Cards are automatically validated each semester in the Cashier’s Office after students have paid their tuition and fees. Replacement cards are $15.00 each. Cavs Cards are non-transferable and expire when a student is no longer enrolled at the College.

Additionally, the Cavs Card serves as library card, athletic pass, student center pass, meal card, campus debit card, laundry card, vending card, and door access in certain locations. The Cavs Card has two convenient campus systems, separate from campus meal plans, available for students and employees:

- **Declining Balance** allows purchasing flexibility anywhere the Cavs Card is accepted on campus to make ‘just like cash’ campus purchases in the Bookstore, vending, post office, laundry rooms, and all campus dining and concession stand locations.

- **Dining Dollars** added to the Cavs Card are funds that can only be used in all campus dining and concession stand locations.

Visit [https://uyawise.managemyid.com](https://uyawise.managemyid.com) to check account balances, add declining balance or dining dollar funds to your card, and for other questions.

COLLEGIATE MINISTRIES Although non-denominational, UVA Wise offers students many opportunities for spiritual growth and development. Collegiate Ministries seeks to provide and assist with the varied religious activities and opportunities available to UVA Wise students.

UVA Wise has active ministries for students of all faiths, including the Baptist Collegiate Ministries, Catholic Student Ministry, and Wesley Fellowship. The BCM and Wesley have buildings adjacent to campus where weekly programming is offered that are also available daily for recreation, studying or to just ‘hang out.’

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES UVA Wise demonstrates its commitment to the liberal arts by fostering a variety of cultural and artistic experiences for students including the Glenn & Jere Noel Blackburn Humanities Fund events, Alfred & Shirley Wampler Caudill Lecture in Entrepreneurship Series, Cohen-funded lectures and concerts, Colgate Darden Lecture Series, and Pro-Art Association plays, concerts, dance performances and lectures. These events also offer students the opportunity to earn required cultural activity credits. For more information about events approved for credit, visit [www.uvawise.edu/academicaffairs/cultural_activity_requirement](http://www.uvawise.edu/academicaffairs/cultural_activity_requirement).

DINING SERVICES UVA Wise offers students, employees and visitors a variety of convenient campus dining and concession stand locations.
All residential students are required to purchase a meal plan. Meal plan options are also available to commuter students and employees. The Cavs Card ID serves as the meal plan card for all dining plans. All dining locations also offer cash and debit purchases. Learn more at www.dineoncampus.com/uvawise.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY The Office of Information Technology (OIT) provides access to the UVA Wise campus network. Wireless network access is available in each residence hall, as well as specific areas across campus. There are also network ports available in publicly accessible areas of specific academic buildings across campus. This network & Internet access is through the College’s network security systems, so certain access restrictions may apply.

- Connecting to the UVA Wise network means that you have read and agree to abide by the rules and policies outlined by OIT (www.uvawise.edu/oit).
- Helpful information is available at https://help.uvawise.edu/index.php in the “How-To & Guides” or the “Moodle & Online Learning” sections.
- To submit a help request, please contact Technology Support via the support webpage https://help.uvawise.edu, email help@uvawise.edu, call 276-376-4509, or visit the Help Desk located in Darden Hall 110.

MY UVA WISE PORTAL The MY.UVAWISE.EDU portal provides all members of the campus community with many helpful online features. Students can access course schedules, unofficial transcripts, grade reports, and course searches, as well as print their own enrollment verification forms by going to the Reports for Students link on the Student Tab. Additionally, the portal provides roommate information for on campus residents, financial information, events calendars, and a variety of links and other essential information. The Portal is linked from the bottom of College’s homepage (www.uvawise.edu) or may be accessed directly at https://my.uvawise.edu.

SMIDDY’S CUPBOARD / SMIDDY’S CLOSET The College seeks opportunities to support students’ needs. Smiddy’s Cupboard is a campus food pantry that provides non-perishable food items, toiletries and school supplies each weekday in the Division of Student Affairs on the first floor of Cantrell Hall. Smiddy’s Closet is a resource of the Wesley Foundation and Office of Career Discovery & Planning that provides one complete professional outfit each year for students to put their best self forward in presentations and job interviews.

STUDENT PUBLICATIONS Major student publications include The Highland Cavalier newspaper, Lux undergraduate research journal, and The Jimson Weed literary publication. Students who wish to publish, distribute, or sell any other publication must first obtain approval of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs. The issuance, distribution, or sale of anonymous publications is forbidden.

TOWN & GOWN COLLABORATION The College co-sponsors a series of performing programs with the Pro-Art Association. Each year concerts and other special events, including operas, ballets, orchestras, choirs, plays, vocal recitals, visual arts workshops, and lectures are hosted on campus and in various regional locations. Admission to Pro-Art programs is free to all UVA Wise students and culture activity credit is available.

The Big Glades Community Square in downtown Wise is also the site of many unique performances open to those in the Wise and UVA Wise communities. For more information, visit the Town of Wise website at www.townofwise.net.

TRANSPORTATION The Cavalier Connection provides campus and local transportation for students and employees. Campus routes run continually throughout each day and requests can be made by calling 276-523-RIDE (7433). Free rides are available throughout campus.
Local off-campus rides are $0.50 one-way or Ride Cards ($10 for 20 rides) are available with Cavs Card ID in the Bookstore.

**UVA STUDENT & EMPLOYEE HEALTH WISE CLINIC** The Health Wise Clinic is staffed by a full-time registered nurse and a family nurse practitioner made available through student fees. It has three exam rooms, a telemedicine room, and staff offices. In Cantrell Hall, it is open weekdays from 8 am–5 pm and walk-ins are welcome. Please bring insurance cards to every visit as well as a list of all medications being taken. Learn more at: [www.uvwise.edu/student-life/student-development/health-services](http://www.uvwise.edu/student-life/student-development/health-services).

All students are required to have insurance coverage. A copy of the insurance card and a completed **Pre-Entrance Health Form** with medical history and immunization records must be on file in the Health Wise Clinic.

**WINSTON ELY HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER** offers a wide variety of health & wellness related programming and opportunities to help establish and maintain healthy lifestyles that will last beyond a student’s time in the classroom. UVA Wise Wellness offers something for everyone regardless of fitness level, including participation in group exercises classes such as Zumba®, Yoga, and POUND® taught by highly trained and certified instructors as well as take advantage of state-of-the art cardio and Selectorized weight equipment in the Ely Center; free weight equipment, including power stations, bumper plates and a Crossfit(r)-style rig, in the Fitness Center; and open swim time in the Greear Pool.

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**Student Governance**

**HONOR SYSTEM** UVA Wise adopted an Honor System in 1956 under which all students pledge to cooperate in acting honestly and honorable. The Honor System is administered by
an Honor Court composed of two representatives from each class. Upper-class representatives are elected by the student body each spring and freshman representatives are elected after the start of the fall semester. It is the job of the Honor Court to enforce the Honor System and to adjudicate violations. The Honor Court office and conference room are in the Student Leadership Wing on the SSC third floor. Additional information, including the Honor Court constitution is available online at www.uvawise.edu/academics/HonorSystem.

RESIDENCE HALL GUIDELINES The 2020-2021 Housing Agreement, as well as the 2020-2021 Guide to Campus Living, outlines policies, terms and conditions for UVA Wise students who are residents of an on-campus housing facility. Students are responsible for reading and understanding the entire Housing Agreement available online at www.uvawise.edu/reslife. Students’ signatures on the electronic Housing Application indicate agreement to abide by all terms and conditions.

STUDENT CONDUCT SYSTEM The Student Conduct System is designed to support the purpose and mission of the College. A fundamental premise of the System is that students are expected to act responsibly, as outlined in the Code of Conduct, so that each student has the opportunity to grow intellectually, spiritually, physically and socially. The System also is designed to encourage accountability by stressing the relationship inherent between individual action and consequences. The System is intended to be educational in nature, rather than punitive. The principles of fairness and reasonableness serve as foundations for the System, using a preponderance of the evidence to determine responsibility.

All student conduct violations accumulate during a student’s time at the College. Student conduct records are maintained for a minimum of seven years from the most recent hearing/sanction date to facilitate compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act.

CODE OF CONDUCT The College is a community of scholars in which the ideals of freedom of inquiry, freedom of thought, freedom of expression, and freedom of the individual are sustained. It is committed to preserving the exercise of any right guaranteed to individuals by the Constitution. However, the exercise and preservation of these freedoms and rights require a respect for the rights of all in the academic community to enjoy them to the same extent. It is clear that in a community of learning, willful disruption of the educational process, destruction of property, and interference with the orderly process of the College or with the rights of other members of the College cannot be condoned. Students enrolling in the College assume an obligation to conduct themselves in a manner compatible with the College’s function as an educational institution. To fulfill its functions of imparting and gaining knowledge, the College retains the authority to maintain order within the College and exclude those who are disruptive of the educational process.

Students of the College are expected to conduct themselves in a manner befitting a civilized society, both within the College and elsewhere. For student conduct which is outside the jurisdiction of the Honor Court but which tends to discredit or injure the College, the Chancellor is authorized by the President of the University of Virginia to provide applicable due process and, upon determination of a College policy or code violation, to impose an appropriate penalty, up to and including expulsion from the College. This authority has been delegated by the Chancellor to the Assistant Director of Conduct & Responsibility and the Student Conduct Board. The College reserves the right to suspend, enforce the withdrawal of, or expel a student who violates the Standards of Conduct. Generally, prohibited conduct for which a student is subject to discipline is defined as, but not limited to, the following:
1. Physical or emotional abuse of any person on College-owned or controlled property or at College-sponsored or supervised functions, or conduct which threatens or endangers the health or safety of others.

2. Prohibited Conduct as defined by the Sexual Misconduct & Interpersonal Violence Policy, including but not limited to: sexual assault, rape, fondling, harassment, stalking, domestic violence, and dating violence. (Title IX Coordinator oversees cases involving Prohibited Conduct; full policy available at www.uvawise.edu/compliance/sexualmisconduct).

3. Unauthorized entry/exit or occupation of College facilities which are locked, closed to student activities, or otherwise restricted as to use, including designated construction/work zones.

4. Intentional disruption or obstruction of teaching, research, administration or other College activities, or of other authorized activities on College property.

5. Falsely pulling or tampering with fire alarm or fire safety equipment or failure to exit the building or returning to the building before being told to do so by a College official during a fire alarm.

6. Theft, vandalism, destruction, or unauthorized use or movement of College property or personal property of other students, employees, or visitors.

7. Intentionally providing false identification or information or failure to comply with the reasonable direction(s) of a College official.

8. Altercation of, fabrication of or misuse of, or obtaining unauthorized access to College ID cards, other documents, or computer files or systems.

9. Violations of published College policies, procedures or regulations, including but not limited to:
   • Alcohol or Drugs (possession, distribution, manufacture, or use of illicit drugs and alcohol, or drug paraphernalia; public intoxication; underage consumption; etc.)
   • Tobacco Products
   • Housing Agreement terms and conditions
   • Information Technology/Computing
   • Weapons, Firearms, Fireworks or Explosives (possession, storage or use; see Student Handbook or Campus Police for full policy)

10. Knowingly violating the terms of any disciplinary sanction imposed in accordance with this Code or engaging in retaliatory behavior.

11. Conduct that is unbecoming, disorderly, or that reflects negatively on the College community, including but not limited to acts that breach the peace, are lewd, indecent, or obscene, and that are not Constitutionally-protected speech.

12. Violations of Federal, State or local laws not otherwise covered under the Code of Conduct.

Additional information, including the full structure, sanctions, rights and expectations of students in hearings, and hearings procedures is available online at www.uvawise.edu/student-life/student-governance.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION The SGA represents the student body in matters affecting student life and affairs of the College, promotes and supervises student organizations and activities, and promotes improvement of community conditions. All students enrolled for six or more semester hours are voting members of the SGA. The SGA constitution is available online at www.uvawise.edu/sga. SGA meetings are held each Friday at 1 pm in the SSC Dogwood Room and are open to the public.

The Dean of Students & Chief Housing Officer serves as SGA advisor. The 2020-2021 SGA executive officers are: President A. Mason Phillips, Vice President Zoe Crihifield, Secretary Joshua McCray, and Treasurer Peyton Johnson.
**UVA Wise Policies**

**Alcohol & Drugs** UVA Wise does not condone the illegal or otherwise irresponsible use of alcohol and other drugs. It is the responsibility of every member of the College community to know the risks associated with substance use and abuse. This responsibility obligates students and employees to know relevant College policies and federal, state and local laws and to conduct themselves in accordance with these laws and policies. To these ends, the College publishes the following information regarding College policies and sanctions; laws and penalties concerning substance use and abuse; health and behavioral risks of drug use; and resources for treatment and educational programming. UVA Wise is committed to providing an environment free of alcohol and drug abuse in support of the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act.

In compliance with the Drug Free Schools & Communities Act, UVA Wise publishes information regarding the College’s educational programs related to drug and alcohol abuse prevention; sanctions for violations of federal, state and local laws and College policy; a description of associated health risks; and available treatment programs and resources for UVA Wise students and employees. More information about these topics, as provided in the College’s annual notification to students and employees, is available online at [www.uvawise.edu/DFSCA](http://www.uvawise.edu/DFSCA).

**ALCOHOL** The College hopes the Alcohol Policy will encourage students to make responsible decisions about the use of alcoholic beverages. The policy is intended to promote safe, legal and healthy decisions related to alcohol and social interaction. We recognize that our students are responsible adults and believe that students should behave in a manner that is not disruptive or endangering to themselves or others and is in compliance with state and local laws regarding the possession, consumption, sale, and delivery of alcohol.

UVA Wise does not encourage the use of alcoholic beverages and does not condone the illegal or otherwise irresponsible use of alcohol. In accordance with State and Federal law, the College prohibits the unlawful possession, sale, use or distribution of alcohol on College property or at College-sponsored functions. UVA Wise Campus Police has primary responsibility for the enforcement of State underage drinking laws.

All members of the College community are expected to know and act in accordance with Virginia State laws concerning the purchase, possession, consumption, sales and storage of
alcoholic beverages. In this connection, members of the College community are reminded of the following:

1. Any sale of an alcoholic beverage requires an ABC license.
2. Alcoholic beverages are not to be given or sold to persons who are under the legal drinking age, which is 21 years of age.
3. Alcoholic beverages are not to be given or sold to persons who are intoxicated.
4. State law prohibits drinking in unlicensed public places; possession of an alcoholic beverage by a person under the legal drinking age; falsely representing one's age for the purpose of procuring alcohol; and purchasing an alcoholic beverage for a person who is under the legal drinking age. Violations of state alcohol laws are criminal misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to $2,500, imprisonment for up to 12 months, and suspension of driver's license.
5. All persons on College property consuming or possessing alcohol must carry a valid driver's license or state identification card, military identification card, or passport. In addition, students must carry their CAVS ID Card at all times.
6. Being under the influence of any amount of alcohol while underage is considered a violation of the alcohol policy.
7. Unsafe or irresponsible behavior is defined as actions that are harmful or potentially harmful to one's self or others involving the use of alcohol. Unsafe behavior includes, but is not limited to, consuming through beer bongs, participating in or facilitating drinking games or progressive parties, taking shots of liquor, or consuming an excessive quantity in a short amount of time. Irresponsible behavior includes, but is not limited to, the use or attempted use of fraudulent identification in order to obtain alcohol or making alcohol available to underage drinkers.
8. It shall be a violation of the alcohol policy to engage in an action while under the influence of alcohol that is disruptive to the community. Such behavior includes, but is not limited to, vomiting in public, public urination, fighting, exhibiting disorderly conduct, damaging property, throwing bottles, blocking or lying across or otherwise preventing or interfering with access to or passage across an entryway or thoroughfare, or cursing or shouting at others.
9. In the residence halls, alcohol is only allowed in the rooms of legal age residents in facilities that have not been designated alcohol-free. It is the responsibility of those residents who are of age to ensure that underage drinking does not occur in their room or apartment.
10. The use of alcoholic beverages as a prize in a contest, drawing, lottery, etc., is prohibited.
11. The use of alcoholic beverages in games (e.g., quarters, drink-offs, “beer pong,” etc.) is prohibited.
12. Only university-approved bartenders are permitted to distribute alcohol on campus, including alcohol from common-source containers.
13. Except at events in a licensed facility providing a cash bar, no spirituous liquor or fortified wines may be served to undergraduates.
14. Alcohol may not be brought in glass containers to BYOB events that require registration by submission of an Event Planning Form.
15. The College recognizes the value of group-sponsored social events. Groups are permitted to hold open or closed (by invitation only or through the use of guest lists) social events. Groups or individual group members may be held accountable for underage possession, unsafe or irresponsible behavior and/or violations of the risk management policy that occur during a group-sponsored event.
16. All club or organization events without alcohol require completion of the General Events Planning Form, and those events with alcohol require completion of the Alcohol Event Planning Form. The appropriate form must be submitted to the Office of Student Activities at least seven (7) days prior to the event. The event cannot
move forward or be held until approval is granted. See the appropriate planning form for specifics.

Any member of the College community who violates state alcohol control laws is subject to prosecution. Whether or not criminal charges are brought, all students are subject to College discipline for any violation of state alcohol laws that occurs (i) on College-owned or leased property, or (ii) at College-sponsored or supervised functions, or (iii) under other circumstances involving a direct and substantial connection to the College. Any student found to have engaged in such conduct is subject to the entire range of sanctions, including suspension and expulsion.

UVA Wise assumes no responsibility for any liability incurred at any event not sponsored by the College where alcohol is served and/or sold. Students and recognized student organizations are always expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and to assume full responsibility for their activities and events. See Student Conduct Sanctions in the Student Code of Conduct.

**Areas of Emphasis**

1. The Chancellor and his/her designee approve all public areas on the campus of the University of Virginia's College at Wise where alcoholic beverages may be provided.
2. College funds may not be used for the illegal purchase of alcoholic beverages.
3. Alcoholic beverages purchased with College funds may be used only in compliance with State law.
4. Alcoholic beverages should not be served at any function or event sponsored by the College or held on College-owned or leased property without the permission of the Chancellor or his/her designee. Requests for permission must be made in advance to the Chancellor or his/her designee.
5. Non-alcoholic beverages and food items should be present at the College-sponsored events where alcoholic beverages are served.
6. Alcoholic beverages should not be mentioned in the advertising or publicizing of a College-sponsored event.
7. Organizations serving alcohol at College-sponsored events should not permit the entry of persons with beverage containers.
8. Organizations must check for proper age identification of individuals attending events when alcohol is served. Organizations must submit an Alcohol Event Planning Form for approval at least seven (7) days before an event. The event cannot move forward or be held until approval is granted. See the appropriate planning form for specifics.
9. A student may not let another person use his/her student ID for the purpose of obtaining an alcoholic beverage.
10. Dining Services is the only organization eligible to obtain an ABC license for the purpose of selling alcoholic beverages on campus.
11. Any organization, as well as its leadership, sponsoring an event at the College will be responsible for following all State laws relative to the serving and/or selling of alcoholic beverages.
12. Members of the College community living on property owned or leased by the College, and their invited guests, who are lawfully permitted to purchase, possess and consume alcohol, may do so in the residence or on any immediately adjacent area devoted to residential use. They should not do so, however, in public places or in any area owned by the College which is devoted to common use. Public areas include, but are not limited to, hallways, lounges, patios or parking lots. The presence of underage family members, employees or guests does not preclude the serving of alcohol in College-owned or leased housing provided an appropriate of-age family member and/or host is willing to assume the legal responsibility for insuring compliance with state law.
13. The possession of kegs, pony kegs, beer bongs, or any common source container is prohibited in College-owned residence facilities or at College organization events.
14. Possession of alcohol is prohibited in residence facilities where none of the permanent residents are of legal drinking age.
15. Intoxication is strictly prohibited.

**DRUGS** Unauthorized manufacture, sale, distribution and possession of "controlled substances" (illegal drugs), including marijuana, cocaine and LSD, are prohibited by both state and federal law and are punishable by severe penalties. The College does not tolerate or condone such conduct. Students who violate state or federal drug laws may be referred by College authorities for criminal prosecution and, if convicted, may be subject to the penalties described herein. UVA Wise Campus Police has primary responsibility for the enforcement of State and Federal drug laws.

Whether or not a criminal charge is brought, a student is also subject to College discipline for illegally manufacturing, distributing, possessing or using any controlled substance (i) on College-owned or leased property or (ii) at College-sponsored or supervised functions or (iii) under other circumstances involving a direct and substantial connection to the College. Any student found to have engaged in such conduct is subject to an entire range of sanctions, including suspension or expulsion.

**Federal & Commonwealth of Virginia Penalties** Federal and Virginia law penalizes the unlawful manufacturing, distribution, use, and possession of controlled substances, including prescription drugs. Synthetic designer drugs such as "bath salts," "plant food," and "carpet cleaner," contain mixtures of many different chemicals, including those that resemble cocaine, methamphetamine, and MDMA or "ecstasy." Federal law makes the distribution of "analogue" substances marketed for human consumption illegal if those substances are chemically similar to a scheduled illegal drug and have the same pharmacological effect on a user.

The penalties vary based on many factors, including the type and amount of the drug involved, and whether there is intent to distribute. Federal law sets penalties for first offenses ranging from less than one year to life imprisonment and/or fines up to $10 million. Penalties may include forfeiture of property, including vehicles used to possess, transport or conceal a controlled substance, and the denial of professional licenses or federal benefits, such as student loans. The punishment for the possession and/or distribution of a controlled substance analogue is up to twenty years in prison and a fine of up to $1 million. Convictions under Virginia law may be misdemeanor or felony crimes with sanctions ranging from probation to life imprisonment and/or fines of up to $1 million. Virginia law specifically prohibits the sale, gift, distribution, and possession of synthetic cannabinoids, which carry penalties as a Class 6 felony.

Federal law holds that any person who distributes, possesses with intent to distribute, or manufactures a controlled substance in, or within one thousand feet of an educational facility is subject to a doubling of the applicable maximum punishments and fines. A similar Virginia law carries sanctions of between one and five years imprisonment and up to a $100,000 fine for similar violations.

**Drug-Free Workplace Policy** The use of alcohol by employees while on The University of Virginia's College at Wise owned or controlled property, including meal periods and breaks, is absolutely prohibited except when authorized by the College for approved College functions. No employee will report to work while under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs. Violations of these rules by an employee will be reason for evaluation/treatment for a substance use disorder or for disciplinary action up to and including removal. This policy applies to all employees (full-time, part-time, students, etc.)
Health & Behavioral Risks The negative physical and mental effects of the use of alcohol and other drugs are well-documented. Use of these drugs may cause: blackouts, poisoning and overdose; physical and psychological dependence; damage to vital organs such as the brain, heart and liver; inability to learn and remember information; and psychological problems including depression, psychosis and severe anxiety. Impaired judgment and coordination resulting from the use of drugs associated with acquaintance assault and rape: DUI/DWI arrests; hazing; falls, drowning and other injuries; contracting sexually-transmitted diseases including AIDS; and unwanted or unplanned sexual experiences and pregnancy.

The substance abuse of family members and friends may also be of concern to students and employees. Patterns of risk-taking behavior and dependency not only interfere in the lives of the abuser, but can also have a negative impact on the affected students' academic work, emotional well-being and adjustment to college life.

Assistance is available both on-campus and off-campus for students and employees who are dependent on, or who abuse alcohol or other drugs. Licensed Professional Counselors in the College's Counseling Center are available for treatment considerations (students only) and referrals for outside resources (students and employees). UVA Wise counselors may be contacted at 276-376-1005 or by visiting the Counseling Center located on the ground floor of Cantrell Hall. For a full list of on- and off-campus resources, visit www.uvawise.edu/DFSCA.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY POLICY FOR STUDENTS The College is committed to maintaining traditional incentives for scholarly work and its dissemination while protecting, within the framework of copyright law, the rights of individuals and the College. Students shall retain all rights related to intellectual property of materials they have prepared on their own initiative. The copyright in an original work which a student develops in connection with course work and which is copyrightable shall belong to the student.

In the case of a work, either one covered by copyrights or an invention, which a student develops through significant use of College equipment, facilities, personnel, or resources, or a work which a student produces through the use of sponsor-provided resources administered and controlled by the College, the College may claim an ownership interest, particularly if such works or inventions are not related to course work. In such a case, if the work generates royalty payments or if the work is of commercial value that can be realized by College marketing efforts, the College will share royalties with the author(s) or inventor(s).

Copyright and invention ownership issues may be more complicated where students are also College employees. In those instances, the College observes the following University policy to determine copyright and patent ownership: uvapolicy.virginia.edu/policy/RES-001 and uvapolicy.virgiia.edu/policy/RES-006. The Academic Dean is responsible for administering this policy.

DEGREE REVOCATION In the event a student is found responsible of some behavior through the Student Conduct Board, Honor Court, or Administrative Settlement or Hearing, possible sanctions can include denying the student further membership in the College community and therefore the student is not entitled to hold or receive a degree from the University of Virginia’s College at Wise. In such cases a recommendation is made to revoke degrees awarded to students who have breached the Honor Code or Student Code of Conduct during their tenure as students, following proceedings consistent with due process of law.

DOMESTIC ANIMAL & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT This policy is developed in the event a domesticated animal or wildlife needs to be removed from campus grounds. The following
procedures should be utilized. Efforts should be made to remove any animal from campus in the most humane manner possible.

- **Removal of domesticated animals** In the event the animal is domesticated (i.e., dog, cat, etc.) the Wise County Animal Control Officer will be contacted. The Animal Control Officer will assume primary responsibilities for the removal of the animal, unless there is clear and imminent danger and time is of the essence. The standard practice and procedures for capture, removal, and/or disposal of the animal will be the responsibility of the Animal Control Officer.

- **Removal of wildlife** The Wise County Game Warden will be contacted to provide guidance on the best means for removal of the animal, unless imminent danger is present. The Wise County Game Warden will have responsibility for the removal, relocation, and/or subsequent disposal of the animal. Any wildlife or domesticated animal that is inadvertently killed on campus as a result of vehicular traffic will be buried by Campus Police or Physical Plant personnel. In addition to consultation with the Wise County Game Warden, it may be prudent to consult with local rehabber(s) that are predetermined by Campus Police and recommended by the Wise County Game Warden.

- **Notification of the campus community** On an annual basis, Campus Police will provide to the campus community a written reminder that it is ill advised for any employee or student to feed wildlife. The Chief of Campus Police will have the responsibility and duty of implementing this policy. The policy will be issued as standing orders.

**GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

**Academic Grievance** Students who have a grievance relating to a faculty member, department chair, or dean are invited to discuss their academic grievance in the following manner:

- Concerns related to a faculty member that cannot be resolved between the two parties should be discussed with the Department Chair on a person-to-person basis;
- Should the concern be related to the Department Chair, the grievance would be filed with the Academic Dean;
- Should the concern be related to the Academic Dean, the grievance would be filed with the Provost;
- Should the level of concern relate to the Provost, appropriate documentation should be presented in writing to the Chancellor of the College.

For additional information about Academic Grievances, Complaints and Appeals, visit the College Catalog at [www.uvawise.edu/academics/college_catalog](http://www.uvawise.edu/academics/college_catalog).

**Student Life/Non-Academic Grievance** The respect for others and the value of diverse opinions and viewpoints is critical in resolving concerns. Informal, candid discussion should always be a primary goal. As part of the educational process, students are encouraged to mediate concerns themselves leading to amiable resolution of disagreements.

If informal, candid discussion is not successful in resolving an issue, the student should follow this procedure: A student may submit a formal written grievance within 30 calendar days of the event or encounter in question. The written grievance must contain the following: the date of the alleged incident, a statement indicating the college policy, regulation, or rule which the student alleges has been violated and any individuals who are allegedly involved in the violation; a statement summarizing any action the student has taken to attempt to resolve the matter prior to filing the complaint and the results, if any.
The Dean of Students & Chief Housing Officer or his/her designee will review the written grievance and schedule a meeting with the student within 5 (five) business days. The Dean of Students & Chief Housing Officer or his/her designee will conduct an investigation if circumstances require additional information. The Dean of Students & Chief Housing Officer or his/her designee will issue a response, either through a scheduled meeting with the student or a written response, within seven (7) business days of the initial meeting with the student who filed the written grievance.

If a satisfactory resolution is not achieved, the student may appeal in writing to the Chancellor. For concerns related to the Dean of Students & Chief Housing Officer, consultation and written complaints should be directed to the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs. For concerns related to the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, consultation and written complaints should be directed to the Chancellor.

**Title IX Grievance** Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. § 1681) is an all-encompassing federal law that prohibits discrimination based on gender in all academic, educational, extracurricular, athletic and other programs and activities of students and employees of educational institutions which receive federal financial assistance. Sexual harassment, sexual assault and other acts of sexual misconduct are forms of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX. The prohibition against gender discrimination applies regardless of whether the activity is conducted on campus, off campus, in transit or if sponsored at other locations. In addition to protecting UVA Wise students, faculty and staff, Title IX and UVA Wise policy protect third parties from sexual harassment or sexual misconduct in College programs and activities. The University of Virginia's College at Wise does not discriminate on the basis of sex/gender, race, color, age, creed, national or ethnic origin, physical or mental disability, veteran status, pregnancy status, religion, genetic information, gender identity, or sexual orientation in its employment practices or educational programs and activities. The College operates equal opportunity and affirmative action programs for faculty, staff, and students. UVA Wise is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

The UVA Wise Title IX Coordinator is Tabitha Smith whose office is in Cantrell Hall, 1 College Avenue, Wise, VA 24293. If an individual has a grievance related to a Title IX concern or for additional information, contact Tabitha Smith at 276-328-0131 (office), 276-870-5065 (cell) or tabitha.smith@uvawise.edu.

**HAZING** Hazing is prohibited under the State statute on hazing (Virginia Hazing, Civil and Criminal Liability, Code of Virginia, 18.2-56) as well as by College policy. The College does not condone hazing in any form. The term "hazing" means any action taken or situation created by a member(s) of a student organization toward one or more organization members or toward prospective members (as a part of the new member selection process), that occurs on College-owned or leased property or at College-sponsored or supervised functions or at the local residence of any College student, faculty member, or employee, and that is designed to or produces mental or physical harassment, discomfort, or ridicule. Such activities and situations include, but are not limited to, creation of excessive physical or psychological shock, fatigue, stress, injury, or harm. Student organizations and/or individual members found to have engaged in hazing shall be in violation of College policy and may also be in violation of the State statute. See the online Student Organization Handbook for more information.

**IN Voluntary Withdrawal** Students may be involuntarily withdrawn from the College for habitual delinquency in class, habitual idleness, through either a student conduct or honor court process, or any other fault that prevents the student from fulfilling the purpose implied
by registration at the College. Students who have been involuntarily withdrawn must apply for re-admission to the Admission's Office in the same manner as a suspended student.

Students who display behavior that is disruptive to the educational process may be required to complete an assessment with a college counselor. Based on recommendations from the counseling staff and the Assistant Director of Conduct & Responsibility to the Dean of Students & Chief Housing Officer, a student may be involuntarily withdrawn from the College.

**PARENTAL NOTIFICATION** According to the *Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act* (FERPA), “When a student turns 18 years old or enters a postsecondary institution at any age, all rights afforded to parents under FERPA transfer to the student. However, FERPA also provides ways in which schools may share information with parents without the student’s consent.” The decision to contact a parent or guardian and the subsequent phone call will be made and documented by the Dean of Students & Chief Housing Officer or his/her designee and may occur in the following circumstances:

- “...if the student who is under age 21 has violated any law or its policy concerning the use or possession of alcohol or a controlled substance”
- “...if a health or safety emergency involves their son or daughter”

The decision to notify a parent or guardian in these circumstances is not intended as a punitive measure. Rather, the College will notify a parent or guardian in order to establish a supportive and encouraging network of resources for the student.


The Virginia General Assembly has enacted legislation (HB1005) which requires mental health providers to notify parents when dependent students receive mental health treatment if the student is found, by the professional counseling staff, to be in a state of psychological emergency, i.e. “there exists a substantial likelihood that, as a result of mental illness the student will, in the near future (i) cause serious physical harm to himself [herself] or others as evidenced by recent behavior or any other relevant information, or (ii) suffer serious harm due to his [her] lack of capacity to protect himself [herself] from harm or to provide for his [her] basic human needs.”

The bill allows such notification to be withheld if the student’s treating physician or treating clinical psychologist has made a part of the student’s record a written statement that, in the exercise of his/her professional judgment, the notification would be reasonably likely to cause substantial harm to the student or another person.

The College’s professional counseling staff in The Counseling Center will notify the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs or his/her designee when the professional counseling staff provides treatment to a student who meets the criteria for parental notification under this legislation. The Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs or his/her designee will contact the parent(s) or legal guardian of any student meeting the criteria for parental notification and document the contact.

**PETS** Pets are not permitted in College buildings by state law. Pets may be walked outdoors on campus grounds, but must be appropriately leashed or caged and under the control of and accompanied by their owners. Pets must not be left unattended. Pet owners must clean up after their pets while on campus. Pet owners shall be held responsible for any personal injury or property damage inflicted by their pets. Exceptions to this policy are limited to
service animals or approved therapeutic animals; animals under the control of and used by academic departments for approved teaching and/or research purposes. These animals must also be leashed and under control at all times and follow pertinent College policies.

The police have the right to pick up and hold unattended pets and any pet, whether or not under an owner’s control, constituting a public hazard or nuisance. Pets creating a nuisance may be banned from campus by the College Police.

The Office of Housing & Residence Life promulgates and administers policies governing pets in residential facilities.

**POSTING & CHALKING** The College is committed to promoting communication among students, faculty, the administration and the surrounding community. This policy is intended to:

1. afford individuals appropriate means by which to advertise events on campus or to engage in expressive activity;
2. to reduce litter and preserve the College’s general appearance; and
3. protect surfaces on which materials are placed and to reduce maintenance cost.

Posting/chalking on College property is permitted under the following conditions:

**Posting** Posting on College property is permitted on designated bulletin boards. Materials may not be placed on areas or surfaces not intended for posting such as trees, columns, lampposts, walls, trash bins, railings, or glass windows or doors. Exceptions must be approved by the Dean of Students.

Materials shall be posted in such a manner as not to deface or damage the surface to which they are attached. Duct tape, nailing, and stapling are not allowed; nor are liquid paste or cement of any type.

All materials posted shall clearly indicate the name of the sponsoring College department, office, student organization, independent group, or outside organization.

If you would like the resident assistants (RA) to post your student organization flyers in the residence halls, provide 30 copies to the Office of Housing & Residence Life in Cantrell Hall.

**Chalking** Chalk may be used on exposed (not below roofs or overhangs) exterior concrete or asphalt sidewalks or walkways. Use of chalk on brick, slate or other stones surfaces or on buildings, or other structures of any kind is strictly prohibited. Only non-permanent sidewalk chalk may be used. No paint, spray/adhesive chalks, markers or ink may be used. Exceptions must be approved by the Dean of Students.

**Removal** All flyers and banners will be removed from bulletin boards and posted areas once the event date has passed. Flyers advertising general information will be removed at the conclusion of the academic year.

**Compliance** Postings and chalkings must comply with all federal and state laws (e.g., they may not advertise unlawful activities) and all other applicable policies of the College (e.g., alcoholic beverages may not be mentioned in the advertising or publicizing of a College function per the College’s Alcohol and Drug Policies).

**SEXUAL MISCONDUCT & INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE** UVA Wise is committed to maintaining a respectful, professional and nondiscriminatory working environment for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. This includes having an environment free from sexual and
gender-based harassment, sexual assault, intimate partner violence, stalking, sexual exploitation, complicity and retaliation ("Prohibited Conduct"). The College will take prompt and equitable action to eliminate Prohibited Conduct, prevent its recurrence, and remedy its effects. The UVA Wise Sexual Misconduct & Interpersonal Violence Policy is available at www.uvawise.edu/compliance/sexualmisconduct.

**Notice of Non-Discrimination/Notice of Coordination** The University of Virginia’s College at Wise does not discriminate on the basis of age, color, disability, gender identity and/or expression, marital status, national or ethnic origin, political affiliation, race, religion, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, veteran status, and family medical or genetic information, in its programs and activities as required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Governor’s Executive Order Number One (2018), and other applicable statutes and University policies. The College prohibits sexual and gender-based harassment, including sexual assault, and other forms of interpersonal violence.

**Protected Characteristics/Statuses:** Age, color, disability, gender identity and/or expression, marital status, national or ethnic origin, political affiliation, race, religion, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, veteran status, and family medical or genetic information.

The College recognizes that it is important to coordinate the Sexual Misconduct & Interpersonal Violence Policy with other existing policies related to harassment and discrimination knowing that harassment related to an individual’s sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression can occur in conjunction with misconduct and harassment related to a person’s race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, age, pregnancy or parenting status, disability, or other protected status. Therefore, when a report is made of harassment or discrimination based on sex as well as harassment or discrimination based on some other protected status, the College’s response will be governed by the procedures referenced in this policy. Questions about which policy applies in a specific instance should be directed to the Title IX Coordinator.

**Title IX Contact Information** The Title IX Coordinator at UVA Wise is Tabitha Smith. Her office is in Cantrell Hall, 1 College Avenue, Wise, VA 24293. Contact her at 276-328-0131 (office), 276-870-5065 (cell) or tabitha.smith@uvawise.edu.

**SKATEBOARDING/SCOOTER/SELF-BALANCING BOARD/SELF-PROPELLED DEVICE**

Skateboards, scooters, and other self-propelled devices may be used safely outdoors by students at UVA Wise. Skateboards, scooters, and self-propelled devices must yield to and not interfere with pedestrians.

Operators should wear the appropriate safety equipment while using skateboards, scooters, and self-propelled devices on campus. Individuals may not engage in tricks, including but not limited to, grinding, ramp building, and jumps anywhere on College grounds, including but not limited to, roadways, stairs, steps, railings, benches, tables, and entrances to buildings.

Skateboarding, the use of scooters, and use of other self-propelled devices (excluding medical devices) in all campus buildings, including residence halls, is strictly prohibited. Scooters may not be stored in campus buildings. Bicycle/storage racks are available around campus. Self-balancing/hover boards are not permitted on campus. Individuals who operate equipment recklessly or without care or fail to follow the guidelines described above may be subject to disciplinary action through the Student Conduct system.
SOLICITATION & SALESMEN Solicitors and salespersons, except those on official business with the College, are not permitted on campus except with the permission of the Chancellor or designee. This includes any on-campus business operations and door-to-door sales.

STUDENTS EXHIBITING SUICIDAL THOUGHTS OR BEHAVIORS UVA Wise is committed to providing a living-learning environment for all members of the campus community. UVA Wise annually provides training opportunities and resources to assist students, faculty, and staff, including residence life staff members, in identifying and addressing the immediate needs of students exhibiting suicidal thoughts and/or behaviors.

Any member of the campus community who believes that a student is exhibiting behavior detrimental to their welfare should contact The Counseling Center at 276-376-1005 between the hours of 8 am-5 pm Monday through Friday, or accompany the student to The Counseling Center for immediate intervention. Campus Police should be contacted after hours at 276-328-3756, or if a suicide attempt has been made, call 911. Those desiring training or resources should contact The Counseling Center office on the lower level of Cantrell Hall by phone at 276-376-1005 or visit their webpage at www.uvawise.edu/student-life/counseling-services.

To fulfill its function of imparting and gaining knowledge, the College retains the authority to maintain order within the College and exclude those who are disruptive of the educational process. No UVA Wise student shall be penalized or expelled solely for exhibiting suicidal thoughts and/or behaviors or seeking mental health treatment for suicidal thoughts and/or behaviors.

College personnel, if the situation so deems, may take appropriate action in requiring treatment or mental health evaluation (campus or community) as a requirement for continued enrollment of a student who has exhibited suicidal thoughts and/or behaviors.

This policy will be distributed annually to the campus community through inclusion in the Faculty Handbook, Staff Handbook and Student Handbook.

TOBACCO PRODUCTS USE UVA Wise is dedicated to providing a healthy, comfortable, and productive learning environment for faculty, staff, and students. Smoking and/or the use of other tobacco products pose a significant health risk to both individual members and the campus community at large. All members of the UVA Wise community, as well as visitors on campus for events, receptions, and classes, are responsible for abiding by the tobacco products policy outlined below.

The College prohibits any tobacco product, nicotine vapor product (including e-cigarette devices), and alternative nicotine product use within all campus buildings, residence halls, seating areas/stands of outdoor athletic facilities, and College-owned vehicles. Tobacco product use is also prohibited within 25 feet of the entrance to campus buildings, residence halls and the seating areas/stands of outdoor athletic facilities.

For the purposes of this policy, “tobacco product” is defined as any substance containing tobacco leaf including but not limited to: cigarettes, cigars, blunts, bidis, pipe tobacco, hookah tobacco, chewing tobacco, dipping tobacco, snuff, nicotine vapor products (e.g. electronic cigarettes), alternative nicotine products and any other items containing or reasonably resembling tobacco or tobacco products. “Tobacco product use” includes smoking, chewing, dipping, or any other use of tobacco products.

The policy does not include any cessation product specifically approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for use in treating nicotine or tobacco addiction.
USE OF COPYRIGHTED MATERIALS It is the policy of the College to respect the copyright protections given by federal law to owners of intellectual property, including books, journals, music, art, multi-media materials, digital materials and software (“Copyright-Protected Materials”) It is against College policy for faculty, staff, or students to use College equipment, services, or facilities to access, use, copy, reproduce, distribute, or display Copyright-Protected Materials except as permitted under copyright law. Application of the legal principle of “fair use” or other exemptions under the Copyright Act (Title 17 U.S.C) which protect many teaching and learning activities; obtaining the permission of the copyright holder; or receiving a license to use Copyright-Protected Materials; are ways to address the federal copyright requirements. It is the individual responsibility of faculty, staff and students to comply with this policy in all College programs and activities and in use of all College equipment, services, or facilities. The College Library and Information Technology can provide copyright guidance and information resources.

Copyright-Protected Materials include software, library, and other technology and information resources provided through the College for use by faculty, staff, and students. Such materials must be used for teaching, education, and research activities consistent with the licenses that have been entered into by the College.

Special requirements apply to public performance of motion pictures and videos. Federal law grants copyright owners the exclusive right to perform motion pictures in any “place open to the public or at any place where a substantial number of persons outside a normal circle of a family and its social acquaintances is gathered.” (United States Code, Title 17, Section 101). Students should be aware that dormitories, clubs, fraternities and sororities may also be “semipublic” places. Further information regarding the showing of videotapes can be obtained by contacting the Assistant Director of Student Activities & Greek Life in the Slemp Center at 376-4651.

Under federal law, violations of copyright law may result in civil and criminal penalties, including imprisonment. The College regards violation of its copyright policy as a serious matter. Any such violation is without its consent and is subject to appropriate disciplinary action or sanction ranging from loss of access to the relevant College services, resources, or property (including computing privileges) to dismissal or removal from the College as determined by applicable employment or student disciplinary policies. For other policies related to computer use, consult www.uwawise.edu/oit/SecureComputing/Policies.

WEAPONS & FIREARMS POLICY UVA Wise provides rules and regulations concerning the possession of weapons on college owned property and all facilities in an effort to provide a safe and secure learning and working environment for the students, faculty, staff and visitors in accordance with the University of Virginia Policy: Regulation of Weapons, Fireworks and Explosives, available at https://policy.itc.virginia.edu/policy/policydisplay?id=SEC-O30.

Weapons are defined as, but not limited to:

1. any gun, bow, crossbow or other weapon designed or intended to propel a missile or projectile of any kind, including any pistol, revolver, rifle, musket, long gun, or other weapon designed or intended to propel a missile of any kind by action of an explosion of any combustible material; or any object similar in appearance whether capable of being fired or not, in such manner as to reasonably induce fear in the mind of another.
2. any stun weapon, including any device that emits a momentary or pulsed output, which is electrical, audible, optical or electromagnetic in nature and which is designed to temporarily incapacitate a person;
3. any knife, including but not limited to any dirk, bowie knife, switchblade knife, ballistic knife, machete, or razor except a pocket knife having a folding metal blade of less than three inches;
4. any slingshot, spring stick, metal knucks, or blackjack;
5. any flailing instrument consisting of two or more rigid parts connected in such a manner as to allow them to swing freely, which may be known as a nun chahka, nun chuck, nunchaku, shuriken, or fighting chain;
6. any disc, of whatever configuration, having at least two points or pointed blades which is designed to be thrown or propelled and which may be known as a throwing star or oriental dart;
7. any frame, receiver, muffler, silencer, missile, projectile or ammunition designed for use with a dangerous weapon, including any cartridge, pellet, ball, missile or projectile adapted for use in a firearm;
8. any explosive substance or explosive device, if such substance or device is intended to be used as a weapon that causes but not limited to bodily harm of another person; any person who constructs, uses, places, sends, or causes to be sent any hoax explosive device so as to intentionally cause another person to believe that such device is a bomb or explosive.
9. any tear gas, mustard gas, phosgene gas or other noxious or nauseating gases or mixtures of chemicals designed to, and capable of, producing vile or injurious or nauseating odors or gases, if such gas or chemical is intended to be used as a weapon to cause bodily injury to another person(s).

No student, faculty, staff, visitor or affiliate shall carry, possess, maintain, or conceal (concealed handgun carry permits included) on any property owned by UVA Wise.

Sanctions A student who violates this policy will be subject to disciplinary sanctions under the student judicial code, up to and including expulsion. An employee who violates this policy will be subject to disciplinary sanctions under misconduct policies of the college, up to and including dismissal. An affiliate or visitor who violates this policy will be subject to removal from campus and being trespassed from all college-owned property and special events.

Emergency Preparedness

The UVA Wise Crisis Management Team is tasked with the planning as well as the external and internal communication for UVA Wise in the event of a crisis or emergency situation. Emergency protocol information sheets are posted in campus buildings and residential facilities. For more information about UVA Wise emergency response planning and preparedness, visit www.uvawise.edu/emergency.

CAMPUS NOTIFICATIONS Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with these UVA Wise campus notification methods. Be sure that you take any notification from Campus Police or College personnel seriously. Note that the notification systems are tested periodically with advance notice provided to the campus community.

- **Emergency Siren** sounds in the event of a campus emergency. Please listen to the campus siren and following loudspeaker announcement from Campus Police.
- **E-Mail** College email is one of the first places to look for alert notifications and instructions on what to do in the event of an emergency.
- **Emergency Alert System (phone/text message)** This system allows for phone and/or text messages to registered numbers. Update your information at http://home.uvawise.edu/alertsystem.
- **Website** Emergency notifications and additional information will be posted on the UVA Wise main website at www.uvawise.edu.
- **UVA Wise TV / Channel 55** Emergency notifications and additional information will be posted on the local UVA Wise Comcast television channel.

CAMPUS SECURITY-CLERY ACT UVA Wise is committed to helping the campus community provide for their own safety and security. The Annual Security & Fire Safety Report containing
information on campus security and personal safety, including alerts, fire safety, crime prevention tips, and crime statistics is available at www.uvawise.edu/ASR. A copy is available upon request by calling 276-328-0190 or 276-376-3451.

**LOCKDOWN/SHELTER IN PLACE** In the event that the campus is in lockdown, no one is permitted to leave the campus. Do NOT go to your vehicle, do NOT leave buildings, do NOT go to class/meetings, etc. Immediately seek shelter in the nearest secure location, lock and barricade doors, and stay behind solid objects away from the door and windows. Stay quiet and calm. Minimize noise that may draw attention to your location – turn off lights, computers and radios, and put cell phones on vibrate.

If you have knowledge of an incident or assailant, call 911 when it is safe and provide as much detailed information as possible, including location, description, etc.

Follow all directions of authorities; do not challenge law enforcement.

**THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAM** UVA Wise has a Threat Assessment Team to help preserve the safety and security of the campus community in collaboration with other College services and in accordance with requirements outlined in the Code of Virginia (23-9.2:10). The mission of the Threat Assessment Team (TAT) is to assess and to intervene regarding any individual whose behavior may potentially pose a threat to self, others, or the campus community. The team will plan and respond to potential threats or any act of violence in an attempt to prevent a critical incident and to maintain the safety of those involved as well as the safety of the campus community.

All members of the UVA Wise community are responsible for preventing violence and supporting the safety of our campus community. The Threat Assessment Team depends on the referrals of the community – students, faculty, staff, and visitors – to keep UVA Wise a safe and enriching campus for all who live, study, and work here.

Faculty, staff, and students may contact any member of the Threat Assessment Team at any time to report observations of unusual behavior, regardless of whether or not a conduct or behavior violation has occurred. TAT contact information is available online at www.uvawise.edu/threat_team.

Always in the event of an emergency or immediate safety concerns, contact Campus Police at 276-328-COPS weekday business hours; 276-328-3756 after hours, non-emergency; or 911 for all emergencies.