

# ADVANCING BLACK COLLEGE INSTITUTE

BEYOND BOUNDARIES / A 2047 VISION



Purpose



Innovation



Community



Destination



Relationship Building

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## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Preparing Students for the World

A fundamental anchor to BCI is the social justice project. Students who are prepared to use their talents to promote equity can find purpose in their own ideas. BCI aligns its commitment to InclusiveVT by cultivating engaged students and preparing them to serve the global greater good in all they do.

- The exceptional knowledge and creativity from BCI students are consistent with Virginia Tech standards.
- BCI provides an innovative opportunity to showcase Virginia Tech, leading the institution to foster a global pool of previously untapped talent.
- An internship pipeline between BCI and corporations establishes an interconnected program and changes the game profoundly. Virginia Tech becomes a competitive destination for students from around the globe.



## INCLUSION & CONNECTION

Envisioning the Campus of the Future

A large part of what makes BCI effective is that prospective students connect with potential and current Virginia Tech students on campus while being exposed to fun and educational experiences. BCI creates a collegiate environment where they want to return.

- BCI students are given the tools to succeed at Virginia Tech alongside a supportive and caring community.
- BCI students are encouraged to collaborate and interact with faculty and students through research projects.
- BCI students are personally empowered through the program. BCI instills a sense of belonging and fosters an inclusive community so that students can envision themselves advancing their talents at Virginia Tech.

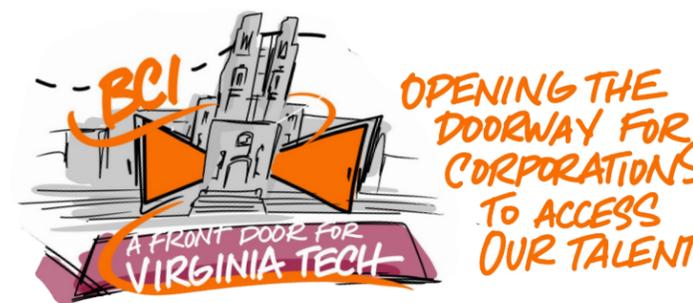


## FUTURE-FOCUSED

Global Land-Grant Institution

Gen Z is the most racially and ethnically diverse generation in U.S. history. The world is diverse and the future of the workplace, and academia must be as well. If Virginia Tech can enhance the diversity of its talent pool through BCI, then Virginia Tech is providing for the future.

- BCI is a forward-thinking ecosystem with sustainable outcomes that prepares diverse students to address the economic, societal, and technological needs of the future. The program encourages its students to envision a world where they, Virginia Tech alumni, have solved the most complex issues through research and service.
- Diverse minds are in demand. As corporations look to data to help focus their recruitment efforts, BCI diligently positions Virginia Tech at the forefront, encouraging global, long-term partnerships adapted for the future.



## FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Discovering New Funding Models

- Investing in diverse students requires evaluating current resources offered at Virginia Tech and strengthening them to provide necessary support for their success.
- Innovative funding streams would further Virginia Tech's commitment to accessibility. This guarantees that brighter, more diverse students are able to bring their talents to campus.
- Renewable and recurring funding would allow BCI to provide significant financial support to students. It would also help create a digital portal with access to talent between BCI students and corporate sponsors.

### WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM BCI?

- Corporations
- Virginia Tech Colleges
- Virginia Tech Faculty
- Alumni
- Parents
- High School Students
- Community Organizations

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# HOW DOES EACH AUDIENCE BENEFIT FROM THE UNIQUE QUALITIES OF BCI?



## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



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## FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

## BEYOND BOUNDARIES

### CORPORATIONS

#### Access to Talent

- World-class leaders
- Global and engaged employees
- Access to a top diverse student base

#### Diverse Talent Pipeline

- Diverse perspective on solving complex problems at a global scale
- Visible and impactful ESG commitment

#### Doorway to Future Talent

- BCI helps ensure a diverse future for the world
- Graduates who can solve complex problems of the future

#### Savings through Early Investment in Students

- Reduction in turnover rate
- Long-term investment in students

### VIRGINIA TECH COLLEGES

#### Diverse Students with *Ut Prosim* at their Core

- World-class academics
- Students who are mission-driven in their studies, in the spirit of *Ut Prosim*

#### Future Leaders

- Recruitment of top talent

#### Early Connection to Students of the Future

- Academic excellence in the classroom
- Early introduction to college curriculum

#### Increased Institutional Diversity

- Colleges have a more diverse student body

### VIRGINIA TECH FACULTY

#### Campus of the Future

- Diverse students
- Innovative curriculum

#### Long-Term Relationships

- Integrated pathways
- Different perspectives on curriculum
- Inclusive classrooms

#### Global Land-Grant Institution

- Beyond Boundaries instilled by BCI
- Global issues addressed through research and service

#### Increased Institutional Diversity

- Faculty teaches more diverse students

### ALUMNI

#### Mentorship

- Established connections after graduation
- Lifelong Virginia Tech network

#### Long-Term Partnerships

- Established relationships with corporate sponsors

#### Global Recognition

- Alumni with future-driven, globally recognized educations

#### Global Recognition

- Expanded financial opportunities

### PARENTS

#### Career Path

- Student integration within wide Virginia Tech ecosystem
- World-class academics

#### Community in Diversity

- Long-term camaraderie in a diverse community
- Diverse community support on campus

#### Stepping Stone to Higher Education

- Insights into, and advice around, the post-graduation stage

#### Affordability

- Need-based scholarships established through financial support

### HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

#### Pathway to College & Adult Life

- Leadership skills
- Self-confidence and the belief that they belong at Virginia Tech

#### Long-Term Relationships

- Connections between the BCI community, specific colleges, and corporations
- Diverse community and campus that captivates students during BCI

#### Long-Term Relationships

- Valuable mentor/mentee relationships
- Future internships and job opportunities
- Early introduction to major
- Early exploration of college life

#### Inclusion

- Scholarships that allow students to attend Virginia Tech without financial burden

### COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

#### Acts of Service (*Ut Prosim*)

- Broadened awareness of social justice issues faced by community organizations

#### Acts of Service (*Ut Prosim*)

- Diverse and academically excellent students who enhance community organizations

#### Acts of Service (*Ut Prosim*)

- Social justice projects that teach BCI students to serve with a focus on the future

#### Acts of Service (*Ut Prosim*)

- A community served by diverse, academically excellent Virginia Tech students

### BEYOND BOUNDARIES:

The foundation for the vision of Virginia Tech that accounts for future generations.

A vision that reinforces the university's core values and established strengths.

### INCLUSIVEVT:

A foundational institutional and individual commitment to propel the Beyond Boundaries vision.

### BCI:

A program bringing high achieving and intellectually curious diverse students to Virginia Tech.

### VIRGINIA TECH GRADUATES ARE:



**Globally recognized** to solve complex problems on a regional, national, and global scale



**Interconnected** with the world, no matter where they live and work



**Connected** to corporations from around the world



**Driven** to serve their communities



**INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY**  
VIRGINIA TECH