



VCU

COUNTDOWN

TO

GRADUATION



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2023 Graduation Candidate:

Congratulations on earning your degree! Your accomplishment deserves to be celebrated now and for years to come. Grad Fair can assist you with regalia, class rings, photos, announcements and diploma frames.

Please note that you should attend the Grad Fair for your respective campus.

Grad Fair on the MCV Campus

Barnes & Noble @ VCU Medical Center at 601 N. 10th St.,
October 10 from 10am - 4pm

Grad Fair on the Monroe Park Campus

Barnes & Noble @ VCU at 1111 West Broad St.,
October 11-13 from 10am - 6pm

If you are unable to attend, information will be available on the VCU Commencement website: <https://commencement.vcu.edu/>.

Congratulations on your achievement and best wishes for your future endeavors!

Dr. Aaron J. Hart, Ed.D.
Vice President
Division of Student Affairs

CAP AND GOWN

Academic regalia prices, including cap, gown, hood and tassel, are bachelor set, \$63.94; master set, \$81.94; Ph.D./Ed.D. set, \$120.92; and professional doctorate set, \$69.94 (professional doctorate programs include D.P.T., D.D.S., Pharm.D., M.D. and D.N.A.P.). Prices do not include sales tax.

Deluxe regalia (Ph.D./Ed.D.) will only be available to purchase **during** the Grad Fair events; see page 2 for scheduled events. All basic regalia can be purchased in-store or online at balfour.com/vcu between October 14 - November 18. Shipping charges will apply.

Scan the QR code below for a tutorial on how to wear the gown and hood.

Note, all medical degree regalia will be at the Barnes & Noble on the Monroe Park campus during Grad Fair week. After the Grad Fair, regalia will be available at the Barnes & Noble MCV store.



GRADUATION PHOTOS

Grad Images will be on-site during Grad Fair to take photos; no appointment or purchase is necessary. Students and their families will receive an email about viewing proofs online within 24- 48 hours.

RING INFORMATION



Join the Ring Tradition and choose from our custom-crafted class ring options, find out your ring size and purchase your class ring during the Grad Fair events (dates on page 2). If you update your post-graduation information with VCU Alumni, you could receive \$35 off your class ring. Full collection can be seen online at balfour.com/vcu.

GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Graduation marks an important milestone. Share the wonderful news with VCU standard or personalized graduation announcements. Standard graduation announcements include two envelopes and a blank name card. These are available for purchase at the Barnes & Noble @ VCU on both campuses.

Personalized announcements are available at www.balfour.com/vcu or (800) 255-3687. These incorporate the graduate's name, degree and major. Please allow 5-7 business days for personalized announcement delivery.

For more information on class ring or graduation announcements, visit balfour.com/vcu or call (800) 225-3687.



REGALIA ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

A fund has been established to provide relief for those who need financial assistance in purchasing regalia. Students may access the application for regalia assistance starting Sept. 25 online at: <https://dos.vcu.edu/services/financial-support/>.

Eligibility: Undergraduate, graduate and professional students who will graduate this semester may apply for assistance. Funds are limited and will be awarded on a first-come, first served basis. Assistance will be for ONE SET of regalia (cap, gown and hood).

Applying for Assistance: Students must complete the application form and are required to write a 12-point font, double spaced essay of no more than two pages, reflecting on their experiences as a VCU student and the significance of graduation for the student, their friends and their family, as well as indicating their financial need for regalia assistance.

Administration of the Award: Financial need will be considered as part of the process. Students will retrieve their regalia from Barnes & Noble @ VCU on either campus per the timeline below. Note: Reimbursement will not be made to students who have previously purchased regalia; assistance is not applicable for online purchases.

Timetable: Funds are limited and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until funds run out.



YOUR GRAD CHECKLIST:



RSVP FOR COMMENCEMENT

commencement.vcu.edu



PURCHASE CAP & GOWN

Online or at Barnes & Noble @ VCU



ORDER CLASS RING & GRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS AT BARNES & NOBLE @ VCU

October 10 @ VCU Medical Campus

October 11-13 @ Monroe Park Campus



GRAD BASH

December 4 at 6 p.m. RSVP at vcualumni.org



RING CEREMONY

December 5, doors open at 5 p.m.

Ceremony begins at 5:30 p.m.



COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Check the Commencement website for the latest updates.

PAY IT FORWARD

Choose how you want to make a lasting impact with your class gift of **\$20.23**. Make your gift today via **@SupportVCU on Venmo**. Include your eID in the comments.



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YOU'LL ALWAYS BE A RAM.

Graduation isn't goodbye, it's the beginning of your alumni experience. VCU Alumni is ready to welcome you to a thriving community of more than 220,000 graduates to help you stay connected and supported no matter where life takes you.

HERE ARE FIVE THINGS YOU CAN DO TO STAY CONNECTED TO THE RAM NETWORK:



GET SOCIAL

Follow VCU Alumni on social media for the latest alumni events, perks, giveaways, campus happenings and more.



UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFO

Share your new mailing and email addresses so we can keep you updated on alumni activities.



GROW YOUR NETWORK

Start building your network by attending fun networking events exclusively for VCU alumni.



JUMPSTART YOUR CAREER

Sign up for VCU link, your one-stop career shop, where you can prep for interviews, get career advice or mentor students who want to get where you are.



JOIN AN ALUMNI CHAPTER

Get involved with a regional, academic, shared-interest or identity-based group to make new and lasting connections.



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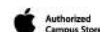
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We can fixIT!
Don't let your RamSupport run out!

Your computer has been through a lot these last few years. Stop by RamTech's fixIT counter to get a diagnosis check from our tech team prior to graduation and use your RamSupport contract before it runs out. Don't forget, even as an Alum you can still shop our accessories! See store for details.

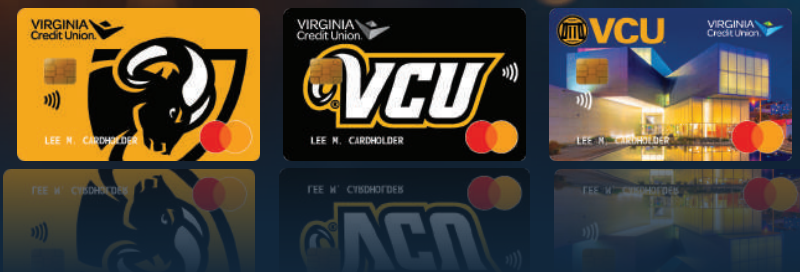
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STAMP

2023 Grad Fair

MCV CAMPUS

October 10, 10 am - 4 pm
Barnes & Noble @ VCU
Medical Center

MONROE PARK CAMPUS

October 11-13, 10am - 6pm
Barnes & Noble @ VCU

MAIL INFO