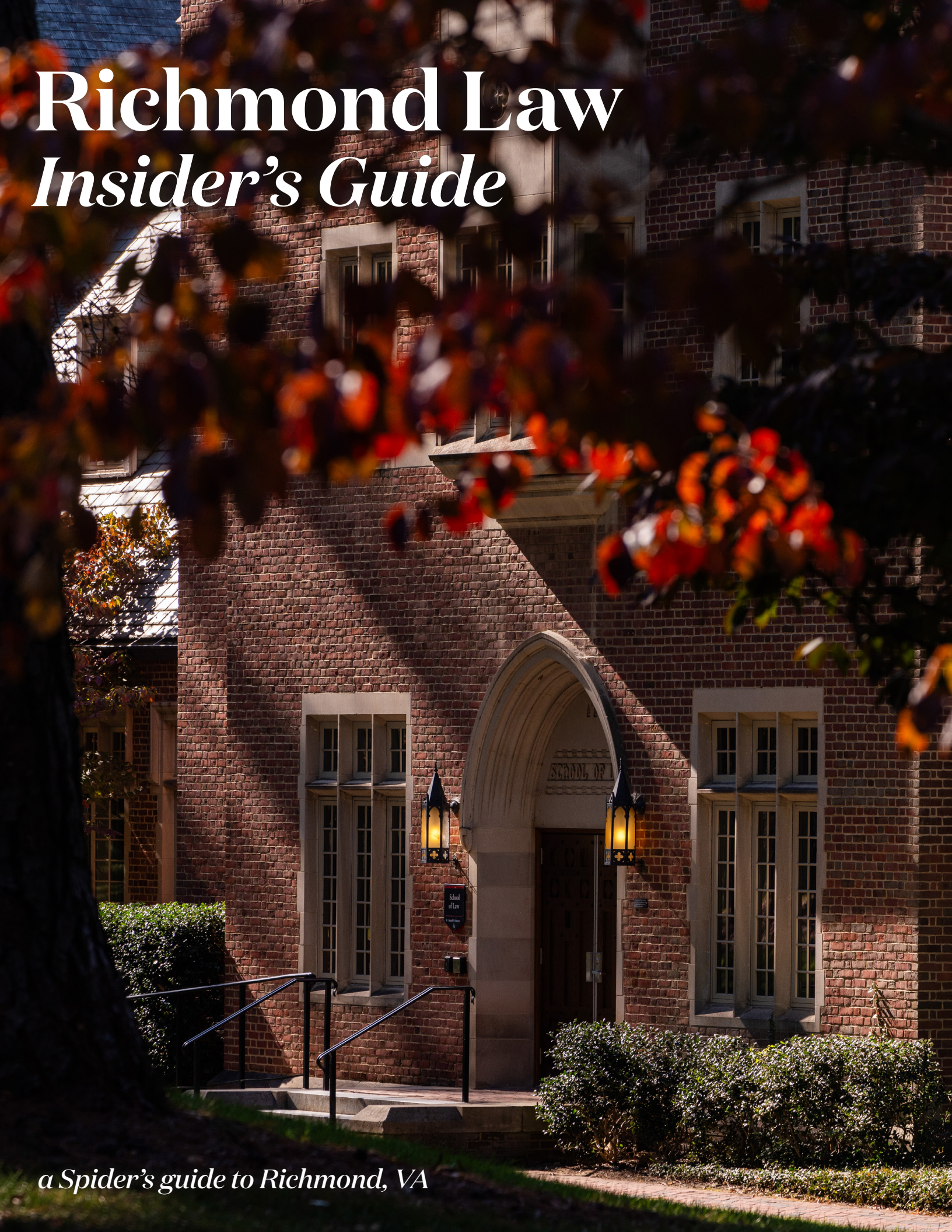
Richmond Law
Insider's Guide



a Spider's guide to Richmond, VA

Welcome to Richmond.

Skyscrapers and cobblestone streets. Concerts on the water and Class IV rapids. A downtown arts district and the World Road Cycling Championships. Fortune 500 companies and tech start-ups. Farm-to-table restaurants and packed food festivals. Richmond has a little bit of everything.

Included in this guide are some of our suggestions for places and activities to look into while you're here. While these are not endorsed by the University of Richmond or the School of Law, we encourage you to explore our city and hope that you love it as much as we do.

QUICK TIP! All names of featured locations in this guide are clickable, so feel free to interact with the offerings that intrigue you to learn more!

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How to get here

and local transportation

Richmond is a centrally located and very accessible mid-sized city. “Traffic” is a relative term, and you can get from one end of the city to the other in far less time than it takes you to complete one section of the LSAT. Whether you prefer direct flights or the more scenic route, both getting to Richmond and around the city is very manageable.

Planes

Richmond International Airport (RIC)

Richmond International Airport is located less than 20 miles southeast of the Law School in the East End of Henrico County. It is the third-busiest airport in the state, behind only Washington Dulles (IAD) and Reagan National (DCA) in the D.C. suburbs of northern Virginia. Despite its hustle and bustle, RIC is easy to navigate, and both short-term and long-term parking is a breeze! There are several direct flights to major cities, including recently added flights to Las Vegas, Los Angeles, and San Francisco. Want to get away for the weekend? Consider our direct flights to Charleston, New Orleans, and West Palm Beach!

RIC’s major passenger airlines:

Allegiant
American Airlines
American Eagle
Breeze Airways
Delta Air Lines
JetBlue
Southwest Airlines
Spirit
Sun Country Airlines
United Airlines

Trains

Amtrak

If you prefer to come and go by train, Richmond has two different Amtrak stations: Richmond Staples Mill (RVR) and Richmond Main Street Station (RVM). Richmond Staples Mill is approximately four miles from the Law School and serves as the area’s primary rail station.

RVR is served by multiple routes with easy connections south to Miami, Savannah, and Raleigh and north to Washington D.C., New York, and Boston.

RVR’s Rail Services:

Northeast Regional // Washington, D.C. to Boston, MA with extensions to Richmond, Newport News, Norfolk, and Roanoke, VA

Silver Service (Silver Meteor and Silver Star) // New York City, NY to Miami, FL

Carolinian // Charlotte, NC to New York City, NY

Palmetto // New York City, NY to Savannah, GA

Buses

Greater Richmond Transit Company (GRTC)

The Greater Richmond Transit Company is the area's local government-owned public service company which operates 34 regional routes, 10 express routes, and the GRTC Pulse. The Pulse is a newer rapid transit system with 14 stops that serves a 7.6-mile route along Broad and Main Street, from Rocketts Landing in the City of Richmond to Willow Lawn in Henrico County. From Willow Lawn, students, faculty, and staff can reach campus through the University Shuttle and Willow Lawn Xpress.

UR members needing transportation to the Shops at Libbie and Grove, Carytown, or the Virginia Commonwealth University area can catch GRTC Bus 77 on campus.

Faculty, staff and full-time students are eligible to receive a GRTC tap card, which allows for free ridership on the GRTC bus services. If you rely on the GRTC as your primary mode of transportation, we encourage you to consult current route maps and schedules as they may be limited in your preferred arrival and departure times.

Megabus

Megabus operates from downtown Richmond near Main Street Station, about 10 miles away from the Law School. Located at the Travel Plaza on East Main St., Megabus routes include Atlanta, Philadelphia, Charlotte, Durham, Boston, and Baltimore. There is a twice daily service between Richmond and Union Station, Washington D.C.

Greyhound

The local Greyhound Station, Richmond Bus Station, is approximately seven miles from the Law School on North Arthur Ashe Boulevard.

Cars

Rideshare

Both Uber and Lyft operate in the Richmond area. Uber options include UberX, Comfort, and Uber XL, while Lyft includes Lyft, LyftXL, and Lyft Lux. Both companies service Richmond International Airport. Check out the Fare Estimates calculators on their websites to see pricing.

Zipcar

The University of Richmond participates in a car-sharing option through Zipcar. Zipcar provides self-service access 24/7 with low hourly and daily rates, including gas and insurance, as well as a quick online/mobile reservation system. Student membership through the school is about $35 a year, with driving rates of about $11 per hour. The Zipcar is located on Richmond Way at Tyler Hanes Commons. Note: Students with non-US licenses may be asked to provide additional legal documents.

University Transportation Services

The University of Richmond offers a robust transportation system designed to increase connectivity between campus and the city of Richmond while staying committed to sustainability. All shuttles are accessible and have GPS tracking. They leave from the Transportation Hub at Tyler Haynes Commons.

Common UR Routes:

Willow Lawn Xpress // continual roundtrip transportation to the Willow Lawn Pulse Station for access to downtown Richmond. The Maple Grove stop connects with GRTC Bus 77 for access to the Shops at Libbie and Grove, Carytown, and the Virginia Commonwealth University area.

The Daily Connector // hourly transportation to the Village Shopping Center, Target, the Shops at Willow Lawn, and Carytown.

The Campus Loop // a nightly shuttle that runs seven days a week with 15 campus stops. The shuttle leaves the Transportation Hub at the Tyler Haynes Commons every 30 minutes.

Spider Mall Crawl // Friday and Saturday shuttles to Short Pump Town Center, West Broad Village Shopping Center, and the Village Shopping Center.

Parking

Campus Parking

Parking on campus is easy – no shuttles, garages, or scrambling necessary! Designated law student parking is readily available in two commuter lots, both just a short walk to the Law School: C70 for 1Ls and 2Ls and C75 for 3Ls (see Resources Section for Campus Parking Map). Parking costs are approximately $150 for the entire year.

City Parking

Parking in the city of Richmond is reasonable but enforced. There are several locations for parking, including on-street meters and both public and private lots. Time limit restrictions throughout the city are located on street parking signage and range from 15 minutes to 3 hours. Please pay particular attention to those areas where parking is prohibited during peak traffic times Monday through Friday. Peak traffic times are 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

You can pay for parking using the PassportParking® mobile payment app on your smartphone or at one of the solar-powered pay stations utilizing a Pay-by-Plate system. You can also extend the time on the pay station by mobile text message.

There may also be restricted parking zones as you get closer to downtown, particularly in parts of the Fan, Carver, Randolph, and Jackson Ward. In some residential areas, parking is restricted to just one to two hours during specific times of the day to provide residents of these areas access to parking near their homes.

Where to stay

Temporary lodging and accommodations

If you are looking for temporary lodging or short-term accommodations, Richmond has plenty of options including Airbnbs, national chains, and boutique hotels. Here we have included a list of popular hotels closest to the University. Please mention the ***University of Richmond*** for possible discounted rates!

The Westin Richmond

6631 West Broad Street

(804) 205-5208

2.9 miles from campus

Courtyard by Marriott – Richmond West

6400 West Broad Street

(804) 282-1881

2.9 miles from campus

Embassy Suites by Hilton

2925 Emerywood Parkway

(804) 672-8585

3.1 miles from campus

Hampton Inn Richmond/Glenside

5406 Glenside Drive

(804) 756-1777

3.1 miles from campus

Residence Inn by Marriott Richmond Midtown/Glenside

5416 Glenside Drive

(804) 799-1200

3.2 miles from campus

For more details and options, please see https://www.richmond.edu/visit/accommodations.html.

Where to eat

Dining out

Richmond is a restaurant-obsessed town and a food lover's paradise. Our city has become a culinary destination thanks to the hundreds of delicious restaurants, coffee shops, and bakeries committed to their craft and community. Here are just a few of our favorites that scratch the surface of the extensive dining scene. (No really, this list was so hard to make!)



The Continental

Close to Campus

The Continental Westhampton // retro spot with elevated takes on classic fare

Jack Brown's // creative burgers and extensive craft beer

Surrounding Counties // coffee and kolaches with gluten free and vegan options

Osaka // sushi, steak, and Japanese fare, offering a full takeout menu

Toast // gastropub featuring burgers and comfort food with a global twist


Soul Taco

Bites on a Budget

Bombolini // market and café featuring a variety of fresh pasta in the Fan

Chicken Fiesta // rotisserie chicken and Tex-Mex with locations around Richmond

Pho Tay Do // authentic Vietnamese menu close to campus

Soul Taco // fast, casual dining featuring fusion flavors with locations Downtown

Union Market // local market with sandwiches and patio seating in Union Hill


Casa Italiana

Comforting and Delicious

Casa Italiana // the West End's classic Italian spot where they really do treat you like family

Perly's // creative Jewish deli bites and dinners served in a funky, retro eatery Downtown

SB's Lakeside Love Shack // small North Side breakfast and brunch with big personality and big flavor

Southern Kitchen // classic Southern comfort foods using local ingredients in Jackson Ward

ZZQ // craft BBQ in Scott's Addition that our students from Texas rave about



The Daily

Healthy Eats

The Daily // eclectic and healthy spot with great decor, located in Carytown and Short Pump

Ellwood Thompson's // café and grocery with juice bar, hot food bar, and catering in Carytown

Goatocado // fast, casual spot in the Fan with vegetarian focus

Gold Lion Community Café // a vegetarian café and bar, with an Indian flare in Manchester



Sub Rosa

Classically Richmond

Alewife // Mid-Atlantic seafood and locally inspired dining in historic Church Hill

Joe's Inn // classic neighborhood spot in the Fan with a great happy hour

Mama J's // family-owned and operated soul food restaurant located in Downtown's Historic Jackson Ward

Can Can // French brasserie in Carytown

Sub Rosa // James Beard Award nominated bread and pastry in Church Hill



Ironclad Coffee Roasters

Coffee Shops

Blanchard's Coffee // Southside

Grit Coffee // Scott's Addition

Ironclad Coffee Roasters // Shockoe Bottom

Lamplighter Coffee Roasters // between Carytown and the Fan

Stir Crazy Cafe // Bellevue

Perk! Coffee & Lunchbox // Bon Air



Whisk

Bakeries

Sugar & Twine // storefront bakery with a homey vibe providing artisanal pastries in Carytown

Idle Hands Bread Company // boulangerie with extensive vegan options in the Fan

Pearl's Bake Shoppe // breakfast pastries, mouthwatering cupcakes, and other desserts near campus

Whisk // casual bakeshop for French-inspired pastries and treats in Shockoe Bottom

WPA Bakery // Well-Made Pastry Alliance featuring pies, cakes, canelés, muffins, sticky buns, breakfast in the Southside



Gelati Celesti

Desserts and Ice Cream

Gelati Celesti // rich, decadent, creamy micro-batch ice cream with locations throughout Richmond

Proper Pie Co. // quaint bakery serving a rotating menu of New Zealand–style pies with sweet and savory fillings in Church Hill

Ruby Scoops Ice Cream & Sweets // ice cream, sorbet, sherbets, and desserts

Shyndigz // dessert specialist featuring a rotating menu of cakes and pies to go in the Fan


Three Notch'd Brewing Company

Bars and Nightlife

The Jasper // creative cocktail menu in Carytown

Q Rooftop Bar // craft cocktails with unbelievable views from the Quirk Hotel

Siné // busy tavern serving Irish pub grub in Shockoe Bottom

Social 52 // kitchen and craft beer bar in the Fan

Three Notch'd Brewing Company // craft beers that change weekly, with large indoor seating area



The Jefferson Hotel

Special Occasions

The Boathouse // modern restaurant with great views of the river at Rocketts Landing or Sunday Park

Buckhead's // white-tablecloth steakhouse in the West End

L'Oppossum // French cuisine with an ever changing menu in Oregon Hill

The Jefferson Hotel // high-end restaurants and bar in a beautiful 5-star hotel

Stella's // modern Greek fare in the Near West End

Grocery stores and markets

Richmond's booming food scene isn't just limited to restaurants – you'll also see it in our food shopping.

Are you loyal to local? Prefer weekend strolls through your farmer's market where you can meet the people that planted your produce?

Are you a Floridian craving a Pub Sub?

Or are you a Northerner that thinks the one true sub comes from the Wegmans Sub Shop?

How about a Midwesterner who only selects from Kroger's Private Selection?

Maybe you're from out West and need to stock up on Trader Joe's frozen meals and cookie butter...

No matter where you are from, Richmond is the crossroads for so many grocery options that will make you feel like you never left home. (Or you don't have to leave home if you select Whole Foods 2-hour delivery.)

Major Grocery Stores and Supermarkets

Aldi

Costco

Farm Fresh

Food Lion

Kroger

Lidl

Publix

Sam's Club

Save-A-Lot

Target

The Fresh Market

Trader Joe's

Walmart Neighborhood

Wegmans

Whole Foods

Local Markets

Ellwood Thompson's
Museum District and Carytown

Libbie Market
Near West End

Little House Green Grocery
North Side

The Market at 25th
East End

New Grand Mart
Far West End

Shields Market
The Fan

Stella's Market
Locations in the West End, Scotts Addition, Downtown, Manchester, and Westover Hills

Strawberry Street Market
The Fan

Tan A Market
Near West End

Union Market
East End

Farmer's Markets

Birdhouse Farmers Market
Randolph by the Fan, Tuesdays

Carytown Farmers Market
Museum District and Carytown, Sundays

Chesterfield County Farmers Market
Southside, Wednesdays

Farmers Market at St. Stephen's
Near West End, Saturdays

RVA Big Market
Northside, Saturdays

Lakeside Farmers Market
North Side, Saturdays and Wednesdays

RVA's Black Farmers Market
Shockoe Bottom, Sundays

South of the James Farmers Market
Southside, Sundays

West End Farmers Market
West End, Saturdays

What to experience

At Richmond Law, we want you to love where you learn but also love where you live. You'll have lots of places to live, lots of places to eat, and even more things to do! For being one of the nation's oldest cities, Richmond has a thriving social scene, sublime nature, plenty of good shopping, and a celebration for every occasion. Below are just a few of the top attractions that Richmond has to offer—we encourage you to find out more at https://www.visitrichmondva.com/things-to-do/.

TOP ATTRACTIONS

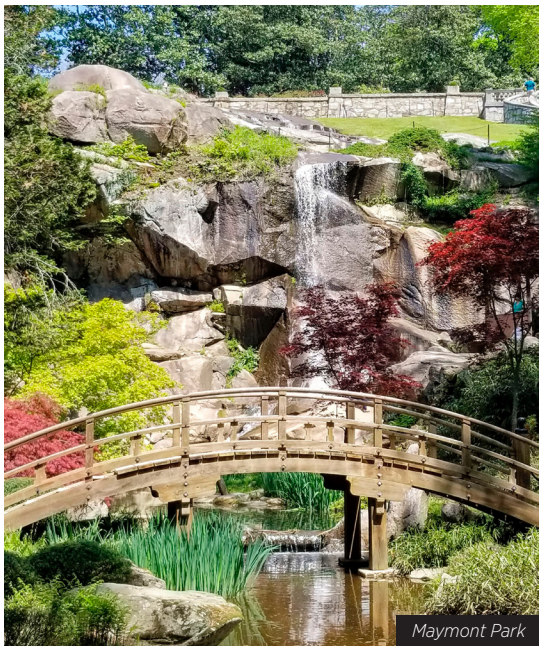
Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens // one of the best public gardens in the nation featuring 50 acres of gardens, dining, and shopping

Maymont Park // 100-acre Victorian estate and public park with historic house museum, arboretum, formal gardens, carriage collection, wildlife exhibits, a nature center, and Children's Farm

T. Tyler Potterfield Memorial Bridge // pedestrian and cycling pathway linking Brown's Island and Manchester with unequaled river vistas and panoramic views of the downtown skyline

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts // spectacular art museum open 365 days a year with free admission to beautiful collections, visiting exhibits, and outdoor sculpture garden

Virginia State Capitol // a National Historic Landmark and seat of state government with gift shop, café, and a gallery for changing exhibits



Maymont Park

ENTERTAINMENT

The Byrd Movie Theatre // a beautiful historic theater with $4 tickets to second-run movies

Altria Theater // Richmond's largest venue for performing arts and home to Broadway in Richmond

Dominion Energy Center for the Performing Arts // fully renovated and restored historic theatre providing diverse local and world-class performing arts

Richmond Ballet // State Ballet of Virginia featuring gorgeous performances and dance school for children and adults of all ages

Modlin Center for the Arts // University of Richmond's state-of-the-art performance venue featuring galleries, studios, and classrooms for campus productions and other world-class performing arts events



Virginia Museum of Fine Arts



Dominion Energy Center for the Performing Arts

BREWERIES AND GAMES IN SCOTT'S ADDITION



Buskey Cider

Brambly Park // winery, restaurant, event hall, park, and pavilion that is both dog and kid-friendly

Buskey Cider // hard cidery and tasting room featuring creative flavors in a modern-industrial warehouse setting

Hardywood // two locations in Scott's Addition and West Creek with a constant rotation of beers, live music, trivia, and more!

River City Roll // boutique bowling with a seasonal menu, hopping cocktail scene, a dog-friendly patio, and live music

The Veil // one of the highest-rated breweries, known for its IPAs

MUSEUMS


Science Museum of Virginia

Institute for Contemporary Art // arts center at Virginia Commonwealth University known for presentation of diverse media and a cosmopolitan approach to curation

John Marshall House // National Historic Landmark and former home of John Marshall, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States

Science Museum of Virginia // science museum housed in the former Broad Street Station featuring IMAX Dome and Planetarium

The Valentine // first museum in Richmond dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting Richmond's history

Virginia Holocaust Museum // founded to educate the community on the tragedies of the Holocaust, the museum strives to memorialize and document the atrocities of World War II

Virginia Museum of History and Culture // principal repository, research, and teaching center for Virginia history

GET OUTSIDE


James River Railway Bridge

CarMax Park // minor league baseball games

Hollywood Cemetery // historic cemetery with a lovely city overlook

James River Park System // bike paths, hiking trails, kayaking, and rafting

River City Sports Social Clubs // adult kickball, dodgeball, and more

Virginia Capital Bike Trail // 52-mile trail for hiking and biking from Richmond to Williamsburg

LIVE MUSIC

The National // historic Downtown theater that draws national acts

The Broadberry // a more intimate setting for smaller bands in the Fan area

The Tin Pan // spacious bar with a comfort-food menu, cocktails, and frequent live music in the West End

Innsbrook Pavilion // outdoor music venue in the West End

The Camel // late-night music hub with lots of local performers in the Fan



The National

SHOPPING

Carytown // walkable shopping district with boutiques

Shops at Libbie and Grove // Westhampton boutique and specialty store shopping near campus

Shops at Willow Lawn // popular shopping center and strip mall for all your essentials and more

Short Pump Town Center // large, open-air shopping center in RVA, located to the west

Stony Point Fashion Park // smaller outdoor shopping center, home to CineBistro, located south of the river



Shops at Libbie and Grove

RICHMOND FESTIVALS

RVA First Friday Art Walk (all year)
French Film Festival (March)
Shamrock the Block (March)
Virginia Wine Expo (March)
Riverrock Outdoor Festival (May)
Dominion Riverrock (May)
Juneteenth Festival (June)
Richmond Bacon Festival (June)
Broad Appétit (June)
Richmond Greek Festival (June)
Carytown Watermelon Festival (August)
Richmond Jazz Festival (August)
VA Pride (September)
Richmond Folk Festival (October)
Scott's Addition Pumpkin Festival (October)
2nd Street Festival (October)
Fire, Flour & Fork (October to November)

Where to live

The greater Richmond region covers over 62 square miles and includes several counties and independent cities. This translates into a wide variety of housing options and multiple neighborhoods where anyone can feel at home. Come explore some of the smaller neighborhoods and districts in the Richmond area that are popular with our students, including the West End, Far West End, Downtown, East End, North Side, and Southside.

This is by no means an exhaustive list, but we hope it will help jump start your familiarity with our awesome city! While we've listed several housing options below, we strongly encourage students to do their own research. Consider your housing options carefully. If you need more guidance, feel free to reach out to us at lawadmissons@richmond.edu. We're happy to help!

The West End

NEAR WEST END

Near West End encompasses neighborhoods in both the city limits and Henrico County. The University of Richmond is located within this area.

Pros

- Very close to school (5-10 minute drive)
- Close to many restaurants and shopping centers
- Many family-friendly neighborhoods and schools

Cons

- Housing can be pricier
- Car-dependent, minimal public transportation, somewhat bikeable
- Limited nightlife



The Estates at Horsepen

Housing Options to Consider

Malvern Manor // one- and two-bedroom apartments on the edge of Carytown and the Museum District

The Estates at Horsepen // one-, two-, and three-bedroom townhomes; pet friendly; amenities such as a fitness center and pool

The Villages at Horsepen // one- and two-bedroom apartment homes; short term leases available, pet friendly; pool

Tuckahoe Creek Apartments // one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments; pet-friendly

FAR WEST END

The Far West End includes designated parts of Henrico County such as Short Pump, Tuckahoe, and Wyndham, as well as parts of Glen Allen. Smaller neighborhoods in Near West End give way to expansive newer developments as you move further west, so it is the most suburban area on our list. The population has significantly increased due to Short Pump Town Center, a popular open-air shopping mall.


Kings Crossing

Pros

- Close to many restaurants, shopping centers, and amenities
- Many family-friendly neighborhoods and schools
- Newer homes with bigger floor plans are more common

Cons

- Housing can be pricier
- Some traffic and greater travel time to campus (15-20 minute drive)
- Car dependent, minimal public transportation, minimal bikeability

Housing Options to Consider

Kings Crossing // one-, two-, and three-bedroom townhomes and apartments with clubhouse, resort-style pools, and other great amenities

The Crossings at Short Pump // one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments with family-friendly amenities

MUSEUM DISTRICT AND CARYTOWN

The Museum District is a neighborhood anchored by a six-block tract of museums, including the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and the Virginia Museum of History and Culture. The southern end of the Museum District is lined by Carytown, a mile of unique shopping, dining, and entertainment spots focused on locally-owned businesses.


Museum District

Pros

- Extremely walkable and bikeable neighborhood with variety of local restaurants, shops, and cultural attractions
- Good travel time to campus (10-15 minute drive)
- Wide variety of homes with diverse architecture
- Site of multiple civic events and community celebrations

Cons

- Parking can be limited (typically street parking)
- Fewer apartment complexes, may require more individual searching
- Many more detached, older homes with varying amenities

Housing Options to Consider

Carytown Crossing // small 50-apartment community with one- and two-bedroom floor plans and gourmet kitchens right on the edge of the Near West End

Kensington Court // one- and two-bedroom apartments with resident lounge, gated courtyard, and on-site management

THE FAN DISTRICT

The Fan is a historic district named for the "fan" shape of streets extending from Downtown west to Arthur Ashe Boulevard. The Fan includes significant parts of Virginia Commonwealth University's Monroe Park campus and boasts the same kind of walkability found in the Museum District.


The Fan

Pros

- Extremely walkable and bikeable neighborhood with variety of local restaurants, shops, and cultural attractions
- Wide variety of homes with diverse architecture
- More nightlife

Cons

- Parking can be limited (typically street parking) especially closer to the VCU campus
- Increased travel time to campus (15-20 minute drive)
- Many more detached, older homes with varying amenities
- Increased potential for noise

Housing Options to Consider

The Fan is home to many privately-owned apartments as opposed to large complexes. Check apartment listings for openings.

Circ Apartments // one- and two-bedroom apartments

SCOTT'S ADDITION

Formerly a bustling industrial area, Scott's Addition is now a hip, revitalized neighborhood featuring seasonally focused destination restaurants and modern nightlife. It is the hub of the city's beer brewing scene and includes several cideries, taprooms, and distilleries in converted warehouses.



The Preserve at Scott's Addition

Pros

- Walking distance to variety of local restaurants, shops, and entertainment
- Easy access to major highways, Downtown, Museum District, and the Fan
- Apartment complexes are newer and modern
- Travel time to campus is middle of the road (about 15 minutes)

Cons

- Housing can be pricier
- Parking can be limited (typically street parking or paid)
- Traffic flow is still in flux
- Increased potential for noise with nightlife and construction

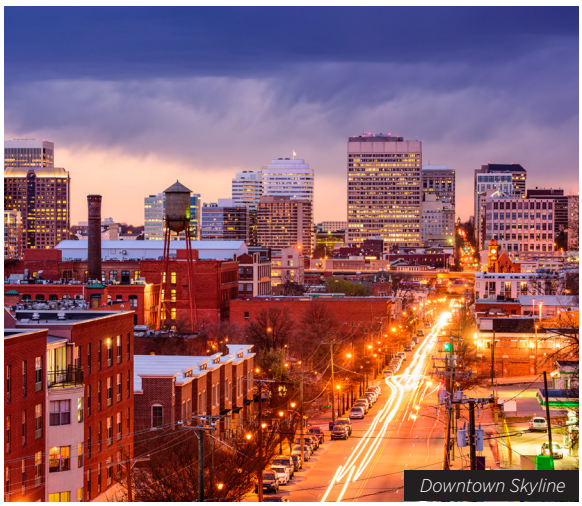
Housing Options to Consider

The Preserve at Scott's Addition // one- and two-bedroom apartments with tons of amenities in a remodeled Coca-Cola bottling building

The Summit at Scott's Addition // newer one- and two-bedroom luxury community with saltwater pool and rooftop terrace

Downtown

Richmond's Downtown area includes the neighborhoods of Jackson Ward, Monroe Ward, Court End, Midtown, The River District/Canal Walk, and Shockoe Slip. Downtown is home to Richmond's unparalleled number of courts, skyscraper law firms, the Virginia State Capitol, and much more!


Downtown Skyline

Pros

- Easy access to a majority of externship locations
- Walking distance to some local restaurants, shops, and entertainment venues
- More transportation options available

Cons

- Often less square footage in housing options
- Parking can be limited (typically street parking or paid)
- More traffic during anticipated rush hours
- Increased travel time to campus (15-22 minute drive)

Housing Options to Consider

The Penny at Jackson Ward // studio, one-, and two-bedroom apartments with pool, controlled access, and some furnished units

The Locks Tower // loft-style one- and two-bedroom downtown apartments with city, river, and canal views

East End

The original land plot of the city of Richmond is located in the East End, a collection of neighborhoods including Church Hill, Union Hill, Shockoe Bottom, Tobacco Row, and Rockett's Landing. "East End" is also used to describe much of eastern Henrico County and part of Hanover County.



Pohlig Box Factory

Pros

- Great views of the city
- Walking distance to some local restaurants, shops, and parks
- Wide variety of homes with diverse architecture

Cons

- Many more detached, older homes with varying amenities
- Parking can be limited (typically street parking)
- Increased travel time to campus (25 minute drive)
- Limited grocery store options

Housing Options to Consider

Pohlig Box Factory // studio, one-, and two-bedroom apartments with private parking garage, new modern kitchens, and multiple courtyards

Shiplock Views Apartments // the neighborhood offers Libbie Hill Park, Canal Walk, Millie's Diner and Poe's Pub, all within walking distance; Browns Island, Shockoe Bottom and Downtown RVA are just minutes away

North Side

The North Side also includes several neighborhoods such as Bellevue, Ginter Park, and Laburnum Park. It is home to the campuses of Virginia Union University and Union Presbyterian Seminary, as well as the Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, Bryan Park, Richmond Raceway, and the Richmond Staples Mill Road Amtrak train station. “North Side” also broadly includes much of central Henrico County to include Lakeside, Virginia.



The Spectrum

Pros

- More housing at an affordable price point
- Wide variety of homes with diverse architecture
- Quick access to major highways
- Good recreation options

Cons

- Often less square footage in housing options
- Increased travel time to campus (15-20 minute drive)
- Car dependent, minimal public transportation, minimal bikeability

Housing Options to Consider

The North Side is home to many privately-owned apartments and houses too. Check local listings for availability.

The Spectrum // one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments with resident lounge, private parking, and dog park

Southside

The Southside is a vast area that includes all portions of Richmond that are south of the James River such as Manchester, Forest Hill, Westover Hills, Stratford Hills, and Bon Air. “Southside” also refers to northern suburban areas of adjacent Chesterfield County.


Link Apartments Manchester

Pros

- More housing at an affordable price point
- More family-friendly neighborhoods and schools
- Easy access to James River Park System
- Developments with newer or bigger floor plans are more common

Cons

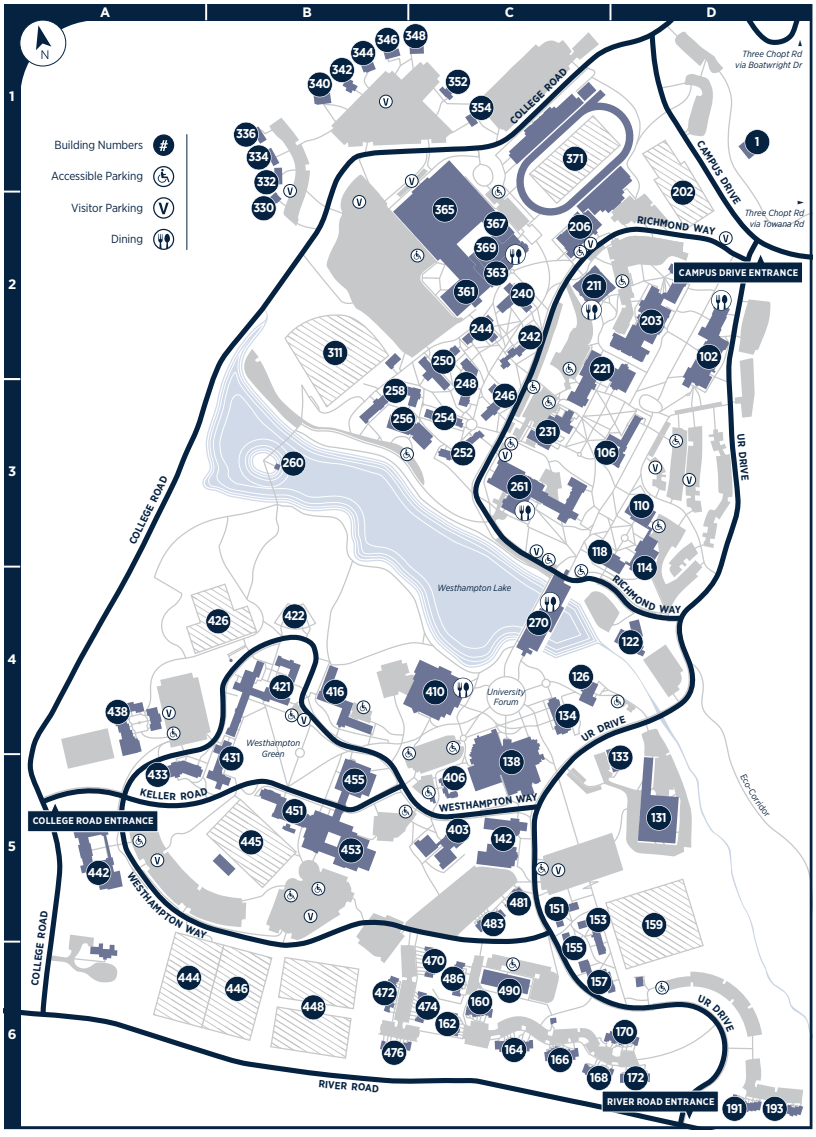
- Some traffic and greater travel time to campus (15-20 minute drive)
- Car dependent, minimal public transportation, minimal bikeability

Housing Options to Consider

Creek’s Edge at Stony Point // one-, two-, and three-bedroom layouts close to shopping and dining

The Village at Westlake Apartments // one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments with resident clubhouse, pool, and dog parks

Link Apartments Manchester // one- and two-bedroom apartments with fitness center, pool, gated access and parking garage

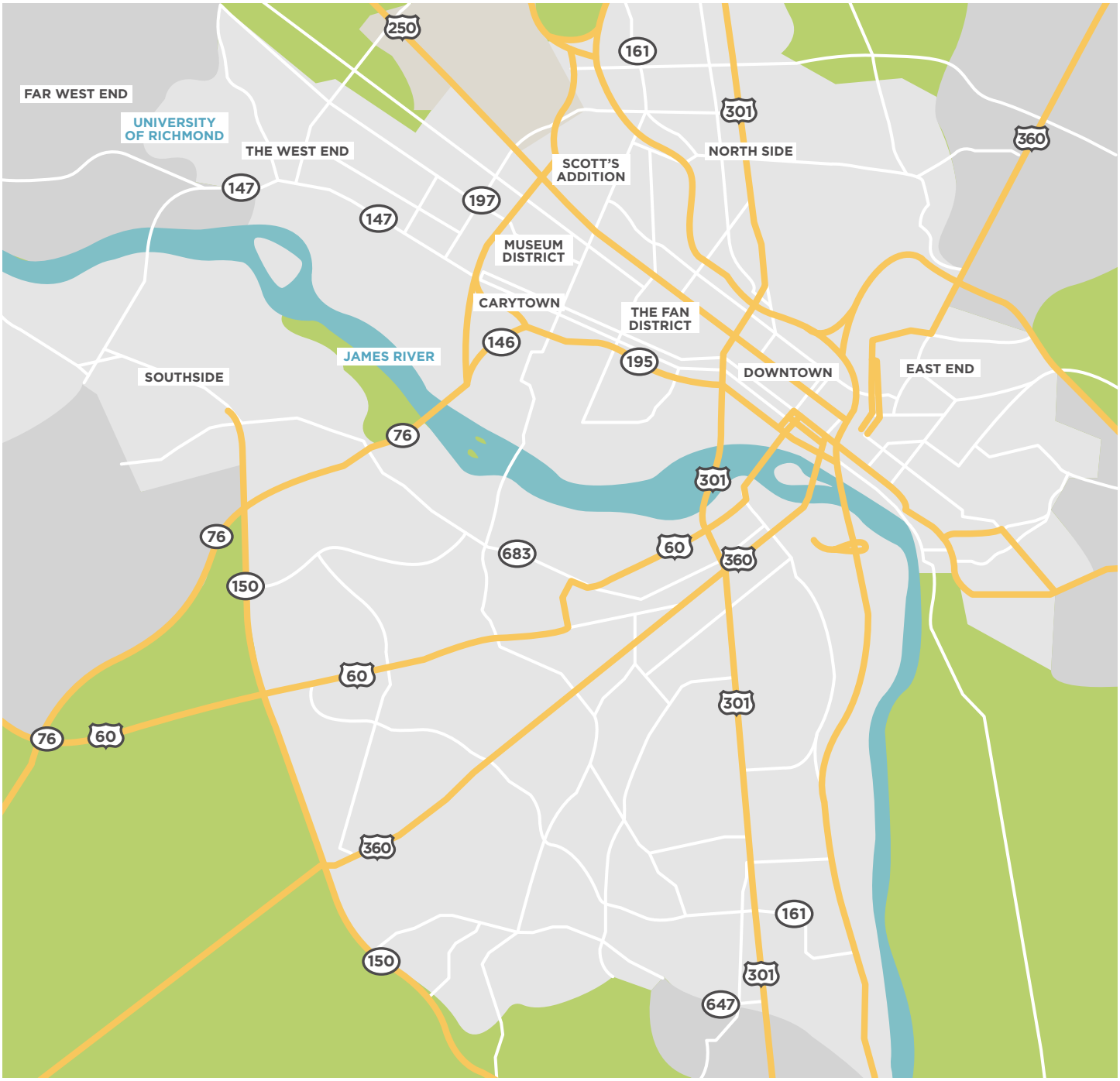


Campus Map

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261	Boatwright Memorial Library	C3
455	Booker Hall	B5
1	Bostwick One	D1
442	Bottomley House	A5
455	Camp Concert Hall	B5
134	Cannon Memorial Chapel	C4
270	Career Services	C4
142	Career Services — Employer Dev.	C5
211	Carole Weinstein International Center	C2
445	Crenshaw Field and Fieldhouse	B5
244	Dennis Hall	C2
410	Dining Hall	C4
118	Fountain Hall	C2
151–157	Gateway Village	C5
260	Gazebo	B3
138	Gottwald Center for the Sciences	C5
416	Gray Court	B4
453	Harnett Museum of Art and Harnett Print Study Center	B5
410	Heilman Center	C4
231	Human Resources	C3
106	Humanities Building	B2
159	Intramural Fields and Odyssey Course	D5
422	Jenkins Greek Theatre	B4
442	Jepson Alumni Center	A5
221	Jepson Hall	C2
221	Jepson School of Leadership Studies	C2
451	Keller Hall	B5
256	Lakeview Hall	B3
403	Lora Robins Court	C5
261	Lora Robins Gallery of Design from Nature	C3
258	Marsh Hall	B3
110	Maryland Hall	D3
367	Millhiser Gymnasium	C2
453	Modlin Center for the Arts	B5
250	Moore Hall	C2
330–336	New Fraternity Row	B1
421	North Court	B4
340–354	Old Fraternity Row	B1
131	Physical Plant	D5
311	Pitt Field	B2
133	Print Shop	D5
490	Public Safety	C6
369	Queally Athletics Center	C2
142	Queally Center	C5
102	Queally Hall	D2
206	The Refectory	A2
242	Residence Hall No. 1	B3
252	Residence Hall No. 2	B3
248	Residence Hall No. 3	B3
246	Richmond College Dean's Office	C3
202	Richmond College Tennis Courts	D2
114	Richmond Hall	D3
444–448	River Road Fields	B6
365	Robins Center	C2
240	Robins Hall	C2
102	Robins School of Business	D2
371	Robins Stadium	C1
261	School of Arts and Sciences	C3
203	School of Law	D2
490	School of Professional and Continuing Studies	C6
133	Service Building	D5
431	South Court	B5
270	SpiderShop	C4
490	Special Programs	C6
122	Steam Plant	D4
438	Student Activities Complex	A4
406	Thalhimer Guest Cottage	C5
270	Tyler Haynes Commons	C4
160–172 191–193 470–486	University Forest Apartments	C6
261	Virginia Baptist Historical Society	C3
451	Visual Arts	B5
361	Weinstein Center for Recreation	C2
231	Weinstein Hall	C3
363	Well-Being Center	C2
406	Westhampton Center	C5
406	Westhampton College Dean's Office	C5
426	Westhampton College Tennis Courts	B4
433	Westhampton Hall	A5
246	Whitehurst	C3
126	Wilton Center	C4
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