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Virginia Higher Education Summary of Hispanic/Latino Students

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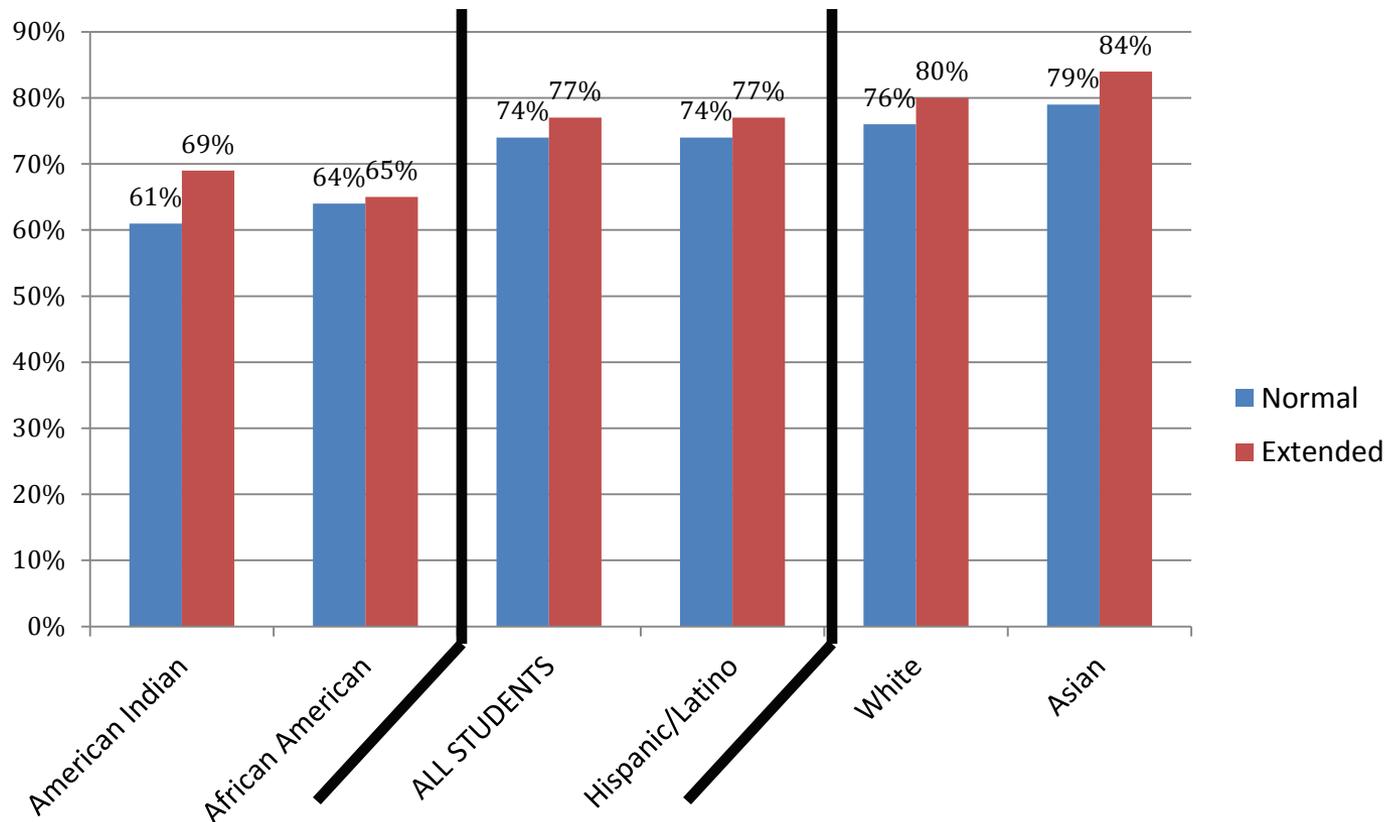
By the numbers...

- 2013 Census Bureau Report – number of Hispanic/Latino in, <http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/51000.html>:
 - United States 54,000,000 17.1%
 - Virginia 711,000 8.6%
- Fall 2014 undergraduate enrollment at Virginia colleges and universities http://research.schev.edu/enrollment/E22_report.asp:
 - All reporting Va. institutions 32,188 7.5%
 - Public institutions 28,178 8.1%

By the numbers...

- Student success rates
 - Total Student Population
 - Hispanic/Latino Population

	<u>Normal</u>	<u>Extended</u>
– Total Student Population	74%	77%
– Hispanic/Latino Population	74%	77%



Financial benefits

- **In-state tuition** and **state financial aid** are available to those who demonstrate domicile in Virginia.

Domicile means:

- “...the present, fixed home of an individual to which he returns following temporary absences and at which he intends to stay indefinitely. No individual may have more than one domicile at a time.”
 - “Mere physical presence or residence primarily for educational purposes shall not confer domiciliary status.”
- If the evidence is not clear and convincing, then the student fails the standard and is considered “out-of-state.”

Financial benefits

The primary state financial aid programs are:

If enrolled into a public institution:

- Virginia Commonwealth Award
- Virginia Guaranteed Assistance Program (VGAP)
- Virginia Two Year College Transfer Grant Program

If enrolled into a private institution:

- Virginia Tuition Assistance Grant (TAG) Program
- Virginia Two Year College Transfer Grant Program

Only the TAG program has a required state application. The rest of the above programs require only the federal FAFSA form.

Financial benefits

Complete information on state financial aid programs, including description, award amounts, and where to apply can be found at:

- www.schev.edu – click on **“Financial Aid”**

or

- www.schev.edu/students/undergradFinancialaidPrograms.asp

Information

Spanish translations:

For information about choosing the right college, the college application process, financial aid information, college admissions requirements, and college preparation checklists:

Many of our webpages are translated into Spanish here:

- www.schev.edu/students/Espanol/Espanol.asp

Also available is a Spanish translation for the “Opportunities Brochure”

- <http://www.schev.edu/students/StudentPublications.asp>

Undocumented students

Definition

Students who do not possess a valid current legal status and do not have legal presence

- Entered the United States without authorization
- Violated the terms of a visa or passport (for example: “over stay”)

Undocumented students

Enrollment into a college or university:

- Institutional decision whether to enroll an undocumented student. There is no federal or state restriction.

Receive financial assistance:

- Federal assistance: must be a U.S. citizen or national,
 - **Undocumented students are not eligible for federal financial aid.**
- State assistance: Federal law restricts state benefits from those “not lawfully present” unless all U.S. Citizens also receive the same benefit.
 - **Undocumented students are not eligible for in-state tuition or state financial aid.**

Undocumented students

Private or institutional benefits: **Not restricted**

- Undocumented students sometimes find that private institutions can provide an affordable education.
- An internet search for “Financial Aid for Undocumented Students” will yield results but use caution about what information is provided on an application.

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

Authorized in June 2012 by Executive Order

May be considered, if individual:

- Was under the age of 31 as of June 15, 2012;
- Came to the United States before reaching your 16th birthday;
- Has continuously resided in the United States since June 15, 2007, up to the present time;
- Was physically present in the United States on June 15, 2012, and at the time of making your request for consideration of deferred action with USCIS;
- Had no lawful status on June 15, 2012;
- Is currently in school, have graduated or obtained a certificate of completion from high school, have obtained a general education development (GED) certificate, or are an honorably discharged veteran of the Coast Guard or Armed Forces of the United States; and
- Has not been convicted of a felony, significant misdemeanor, or three or more other misdemeanors, and do not otherwise pose a threat to national security or public safety.

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

Eligibility for in-state tuition:

In April 2014, the Virginia Attorney General determined that DACA recipients have the ability to establish domicile.

- The student is eligible to be reviewed for domicile. It does not grant automatic eligibility for in-state tuition.
- Students will be evaluated based upon their own domicile, but the institution may ask for parental information to help establish physical presence.
- Student must demonstrate one year of domicile as required by state law for all students.
 - **Therefore, if DACA is approved August 1, 2015, the student is not eligible for in-state tuition until at least August 2016.**
- SCHEV has been advised that DACA recipients can be granted in-state tuition but are not eligible for state financial aid.
- For detailed information:
 - English version - www.schev.edu/finaid/DACAFAQs.pdf
 - Spanish version - www.schev.edu/finaid/DACAFAQsSPANISH.pdf

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

Renewal concerns:

- DACA renewals are taking about 120 days to complete so we highly advise that students begin the process at no less than 120 days prior to the expiration date.
- If the DACA document expires prior to the student being renewed, they lose the legal standing that permits domicile, and domicile is legally abandoned. Once the student completes the renewal process, they are then subject once again to the one year waiting period.

Don't let DACA expire!

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

As of March 2015:

- Nationwide, of the 794,501 initial applications, over 664,000 applicants approved for DACA since inception.
- Top countries of origin: Mexico, El Salvador, and Guatemala
- Virginia: ranks 13th in the country with over 10,200 initial approvals and over 3,500 renewals

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

Top Countries of Origin	Accepted to Date ¹			Approved to Date ²		
	Initials	Renewals	Total	Initials	Renewals	Total
MEXICO	578,076	273,400	851,476	517,858	184,185	702,043
EL SALVADOR	28,283	13,879	42,162	24,039	9,807	33,846
GUATEMALA	19,779	8,339	28,118	16,360	5,694	22,054
HONDURAS	18,866	8,123	26,989	15,669	5,223	20,892
SOUTH KOREA	8,634	5,856	14,490	8,014	5,001	13,015
PERU	8,842	5,091	13,933	8,192	3,888	12,080
BRAZIL	7,478	3,604	11,082	6,600	2,671	9,271
ECUADOR	6,699	3,486	10,185	5,916	2,520	8,436
COLOMBIA	6,654	3,459	10,113	6,075	2,572	8,647
PHILIPPINES	4,530	2,681	7,211	4,164	2,142	6,306
ARGENTINA	4,433	2,154	6,587	4,035	1,618	5,653
INDIA	3,421	1,975	5,396	2,884	1,597	4,481
JAMAICA	3,840	1,330	5,170	3,068	861	3,929
VENEZUELA	3,100	1,489	4,589	2,770	1,063	3,833
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	3,145	1,171	4,316	2,656	768	3,424
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	2,738	1,114	3,852	2,344	780	3,124
BOLIVIA	2,008	1,089	3,097	1,859	785	2,644
COSTA RICA	2,036	1,059	3,095	1,851	788	2,639
URUGUAY	2,112	977	3,089	1,918	740	2,658
POLAND	1,694	919	2,613	1,517	640	2,157
CHILE	1,692	874	2,566	1,568	646	2,214
PAKISTAN	1,760	806	2,566	1,546	576	2,122
NICARAGUA	1,560	679	2,239	1,315	483	1,798
NIGERIA	1,381	638	2,019	1,157	483	1,640
GUYANA	1,324	642	1,966	1,151	491	1,642

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

Residence	Accepted to Date ¹			Approved to Date ²			Residence	Accepted to Date ¹			Approved to Date ²		
	Initials	Renewals	Total	Initials	Renewals	Total		Initials	Renewals	Total	Initials	Renewals	Total
CALIFORNIA	212,088	103,239	315,327	194,132	67,263	261,395	CONNECTICUT	4,547	2,228	6,775	4,042	1,785	5,827
TEXAS	122,977	57,980	180,957	107,202	44,297	151,499	NEW MEXICO	6,294	2,113	8,407	5,639	1,395	7,034
ILLINOIS	40,441	22,062	62,503	35,106	12,713	47,819	ALABAMA	4,157	1,880	6,037	3,639	1,400	5,039
NEW YORK	38,932	16,796	55,728	33,959	11,248	45,207	OHIO	4,178	1,877	6,055	3,532	1,462	4,994
ARIZONA	26,913	13,561	40,474	24,195	9,982	34,177	MISSOURI	3,296	1,589	4,885	2,950	1,135	4,085
FLORIDA	31,539	13,335	44,874	26,522	8,841	35,363	NEBRASKA	3,252	1,529	4,781	2,877	1,246	4,123
NORTH CAROLINA	26,249	12,548	38,797	23,855	7,016	30,871	IDAHO	2,979	1,467	4,446	2,717	1,080	3,797
GEORGIA	24,863	11,656	36,519	20,698	8,041	28,739	IOWA	2,672	1,441	4,113	2,366	1,151	3,517
NEW JERSEY	21,001	10,385	31,386	18,299	7,544	25,843	KENTUCKY	2,975	1,398	4,373	2,569	1,053	3,622
COLORADO	16,906	7,629	24,535	14,927	5,498	20,425	LOUISIANA	1,959	914	2,873	1,636	693	2,329
WASHINGTON	16,649	7,346	23,995	14,926	5,104	20,030	DELAWARE	1,360	703	2,063	1,209	577	1,786
NEVADA	12,208	5,485	17,693	11,127	2,935	14,062	MISSISSIPPI	1,456	676	2,132	1,250	523	1,773
VIRGINIA	11,680	5,474	17,154	10,219	3,505	13,724	RHODE ISLAND	1,128	545	1,673	976	412	1,388
OREGON	10,611	5,465	16,076	9,729	4,022	13,751	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	720	282	1,002	601	170	771
MARYLAND	9,448	4,791	14,239	8,161	3,832	11,993	WYOMING	609	257	866	530	174	704
INDIANA	9,407	4,216	13,623	8,411	2,599	11,010	HAWAII	348	164	512	288	110	398
UTAH	9,404	4,179	13,583	8,468	3,059	11,527	NEW HAMPSHIRE	318	162	480	280	123	403
WISCONSIN	7,181	3,326	10,507	6,514	2,374	8,888	SOUTH DAKOTA	223	127	350	188	95	283
TENNESSEE	8,042	3,324	11,366	6,991	1,904	8,895	NORTH DAKOTA	71	59	130	52	47	99
MASSACHUSETTS	7,503	3,271	10,774	6,483	2,263	8,746	PUERTO RICO	217	48	265	126	30	156
OKLAHOMA	6,576	3,138	9,714	5,916	2,046	7,962	WEST VIRGINIA	106	47	153	76	39	115
KANSAS	6,518	3,094	9,612	5,940	2,319	8,259	ALASKA	75	43	118	64	33	97
SOUTH CAROLINA	6,289	3,083	9,372	5,524	2,361	7,885	MONTANA	46	30	76	39	21	60
MICHIGAN	5,918	2,866	8,784	5,220	2,200	7,420	VIRGIN ISLANDS	98	20	118	46	D	55
MINNESOTA	5,940	2,814	8,754	5,320	2,184	7,504	MAINE	42	19	61	33	13	46
ARKANSAS	4,984	2,622	7,606	4,450	1,997	6,447	NOT REPORTED	35	15	50	21	D	29
PENNSYLVANIA	5,338	2,475	7,813	4,546	1,931	6,477	GUAM	23	12	35	21	10	31

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