

## WELCOME TO CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT UNIVERSITY

Christopher Newport University is a superb choice for your college studies. Small class sizes, accomplished professors who put your education first and a picturesque, safe campus create an environment hard to find in public higher education. Come explore further the quality of life you will enjoy here.

### **Our Students**

There's no such thing as a typical CNU student! Our 4,800 students hail from every part of Virginia, 32 other states and several foreign countries.

Each year, we welcome 1,200 new freshmen and more than 100 transfers with diverse interests and choices of study.

Our students thrive on the close relationships they form with their professors. Many work with faculty on pioneering research — from wetland studies at the Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge to robotics at NASA to particle research at the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility.

The number of admission applications has soared by more than 700 percent in the last decade, and the middle 50 percent SAT range for last year's incoming freshmen (Critical Reading and Math) was 1050-1230. The middle 50 percent GPA range (4.0 scale) was 3.4-3.9. More students also are seeking entry into our distinguished Honors Program and President's Leadership Program.

Through a unique partnership with Canon U.S.A. and Canon Virginia top freshmen selected for the President's Leadership Program receive a \$5,000 merit scholarship over four years, for a total of \$20,000.

CNU also offers many international study opportunities, including our permanent relationship with the University of Oxford and dozens of smaller, faculty-led programs. Signature academic programs include the Master of Arts in Teaching, Pre-Law Program, Pre-Med and Pre-Health Program, and a cutting-edge program in neuroscience.

### **Professors and Academics**

Our professors love to teach, and most chose CNU for our commitment to academic excellence. Outstanding veteran faculty members offer an incredible depth of experience and knowledge, and more than half of our classes have 19 or fewer students.

CNU professors have won numerous of awards for great teaching, plus many large research grants. They regularly publish highly regarded books and articles on myriad topics, often working with student co-authors.

Our marketing students and Small Business Institute have won top honors regionally and nationally. The Joseph W. Luter, III School of Business is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, one of only 42 schools in the nation offering only undergraduate programs to earn this honor.

In psychology, students regularly make presentations at the top East Coast conference, where they are often mistaken for graduate students due to the quality of their work.

CNU has received top recognition from *Forbes*, *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* and The Princeton Review organization. *U.S. News & World Report* selected Christopher Newport as one of America's schools to watch for making "the most promising and innovative changes in the areas of academics, faculty, student life, campus or facilities."

### **Intercollegiate Athletics**

Playing to win is a passion at CNU. As part of NCAA Division III, our athletes excel in the classroom and on the field of play! Since 1980, CNU has produced more than 550 All-Americans in 23 intercollegiate sports and won more than 70 national team and individual titles.

CNU's football team was the first in NCAA history to win its conference and go to the NCAA playoffs in its first year of play. CNU athletics has also won the USA South Athletic Conference President's Cup 14 years in a row. Exceptional venues for baseball, lacrosse, softball and soccer make it easy to cheer on the Captains. During the 2010-11 school year, nine teams competed in NCAA post-season play.

### **Student Life**

A community of honor, CNU is a place where students, faculty and staff care about each other and help make the college experience positive. Our students participate in more than 200 clubs and organizations, along with dozens of recreational and club sports as well as service projects. Whether you're interested in biology field trips to the ocean or launching a campus club, our diverse activities make time outside the classroom memorable.

Each year, you'll enjoy performances by major artists and renowned speakers, plus special events like Spring Fest, Family Weekend and Homecoming. The Ferguson Center for the Arts, our world-class performing arts venue, features the 500-seat Music & Theatre Hall, a 200-seat experimental theater, and the awe-inspiring, 1,700-seat Concert Hall for performances by internationally known stars. Jewel, Andrea Bocelli, Queen Latifah, David Copperfield, B.B.

King and the Broadway it “STOMP” have taken the stage here. Students may attend performances for \$5 to \$15!

CNU students and Student Life staff sponsor dances, clubs, Greek events, multicultural activities, comedy nights, recently released movies and outdoor festivals, among many other events.

### **Our Region**

A great location makes for a great experience. Our region is not only a top resort area that attracts millions of visitors each year; it is also a center of high-tech development and research, including NASA Langley Research Center and the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility, site of ground breaking physics research.

CNU students have easy access to the rolling dunes and pounding surf of Virginia Beach. A 20-minute ride west leads to Williamsburg and Jamestown, and many students appreciate the splendor of American history and also find internships at Colonial Williamsburg and Busch Gardens.

### **The Campus: Present and Future**

CNU’s campus encompasses 260 acres within a park-like setting in Newport News. We take pride in building everything to the highest standards. CNU also ranks as one of the safest campuses in Virginia.

We have completed nearly \$1 billion in new capital construction over the past decade, including the David Student Union. The Paul and Rosemary Tribble Library with its 14-story tower lighted day and night, is the intellectual center of campus. It features a gourmet coffee shop with study rooms for quiet collaboration with friends, spacious reading rooms, and quiet corners for reflection and study.

Lewis Archer McMurrin, Jr. Hall is home to our superb liberal arts programs. Mary Brock Forbes Hall, our new integrated science center, provides a 21st-century hub for education and discovery. Scheduled for a 2013 completion, Luter Hall will house the Luter School of Business; economics, sociology, social work and anthropology; leadership and American studies; mathematics; and physics, computer science and engineering.

State-of-the-art laboratories in computer science, computer engineering, physics, instrumentation and the natural sciences enhance the close interaction between professors and students.

CNU’s residence halls win rave reviews from students and parents alike. Local phone and cable, a built-in micro-fridge, Internet access, carpeting, air conditioning and suite-style rooms make campus living attractive. CNU also offers wireless service in all public areas.

CNU Village, one of two elegant apartment complexes on campus, provides private rooms with private baths, kitchens, washers and dryers, living rooms, cathedral ceilings, and your own private parking space! CNU Village is home to numerous eateries — including Panera Bread, Schooner’s, Subway, Moe’s Southwest Grill and Tropical Smoothie. Thanks to our six dazzling residential facilities, 3,000 students now make CNU their home. Additional facilities are scheduled to open in 2012 and 2013.

The Freeman Center, for sports and convocations, features a 200-meter indoor track, three basketball courts and personal recreation/fitness space in the Triesmann Health and Fitness Pavilion. The Freeman Center is one of the nation’s finest facilities of its kind and recently underwent further expansion. The building now houses the 400-seat Gaines Theater, as well as the James C. Windsor Center for Health and Counseling Services.

Surrounded by beautiful neighborhoods, CNU is a great place for walking, jogging or cycling, and you’re only a few short blocks from the James River and a pleasant bicycle ride to a public white sand beach and park. CNU is also adjacent to pristine Lake Maury, surrounded by Mariners’ Museum Park with 600 acres of trails and woodlands.

### **Come Visit!**

See firsthand the quality of Christopher Newport University. We welcome your visit Monday through Saturday (except major national holidays) throughout the year. Call (757) 594-7334 or (800) 333-4268 to arrange a time. Also visit us online at [admission.cnu.edu](http://admission.cnu.edu) for special visit dates.

We look forward to welcoming you to CNU!