

*Diversity Programs Office*

**The mission of the Diversity Programs Office is to cultivate a rich and innovative learning community, where all graduate students and postdoctoral fellows can thrive at the University of Virginia. We believe that the myriad of perspectives and life experiences is essential to the success of the University.**

The Office of Diversity Programs actively provides the following services to support the academic success and development of our students:

- **Admissions:** Graduate school admission assistance is available to strategically plan for the application process. Information about ways to finance graduate education is offered to prospective students.
- **Academic Enhancement:** Academic support is provided to students for enrichment purposes through connections to tutoring, university resources, and aid.
- **Mentorship:** The Mentoring Institute is a flagship initiative that promotes academic excellence. Participants receive advocates to facilitate a positive transition into graduate studies and life in Charlottesville.
- **Advising and Counseling:** We provide confidential advising to prospective and current graduate students about a wide range of matters. We also have a strong partnership with the University's Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) center.
- **Outreach:** We participate in conferences and college/university visits throughout the nation to recruit prospective students for graduate studies at the University of Virginia.
- **Support/Networking:** We sponsor programs and events with organizations aimed to promote community and foster ideas amongst the graduate student body.

To learn more about the Office of Diversity Programs, feel free to contact us at:

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