

## WHATS IN IT FOR THE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

- PRAXIS PREPARATION
- LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- CHARACTER BUILDING
- FUN NIGHTS (MOVIES, SWIMMING, AND PIZZA PARTIES.)
- PROFESSIONAL DRESS ATTIRE
- TOUR TO WASHINGTON D.C

## WHAT TO BRING

Articles to bring should include, but are not limited to: sneakers, shorts, t-shirt, bathing suit (one piece only), linen, blanket, towels, and toiletries.

## FACILITIES

All lodging and activities will be held on the campus of Virginia State University.



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College of Education

# "G . R . O . W . S"

Gaining Real World Opportunities With Students

## SUMMER PROGRAM

**JULY 12 - JULY 17, 2015**




### The College of Education

If you are a rising senior in high school who is interested in becoming a teacher, we have a question for you:

Are you ready—for an experience that could change your life?

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## The College of Education Programs Unit

The College of Education is the administrative arm that oversees the preparation of teachers and other school personnel. The programs in the Unit are approved by the Virginia Department of Education and accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

### Unit Mission Statement

Creating a positive learning environment for all students and using evidence-based performance standards to develop reflective practitioners are central to the Professional Education Programs Unit's mission. The Unit promotes and maintains academic programs with research-based pedagogy, technology-based learning, and reflective practices that integrate service to the community, ever mindful of the students' diverse cultural backgrounds.

## General Information

The G.R.O.W.S summer program is a week-long teacher preparation residential program on the campus of Virginia State University. During this academic college preparation program, all travel, room and board expenses are covered for the selected seniors. The program is intended to increase college readiness, and nurture an interest in teacher education. The ideal outcome is for students to apply to Virginia State University and commit to enrollment in the teacher education program.

**Who:** Rising seniors.

**What:** Each day includes workshops that enhance the students' awareness of college, VSU College of Education, Praxis, and exemplify leadership skills. Each student will receive a specially-designed camp t-shirt for each day, a portfolio, and a "Certificate of Completion" at the conclusion of the program.

**Where:** Virginia State University

**Cost:** Students selected to "G.R.O.W.S." Summer Program will receive room, board, meals, and travel free of charge. Students may want to bring souvenir/spending money.

## HOUSING

Students accepted to the program will be housed in a residence hall. Adult staff who serve as mentors to the participants will supervise the students.

## HOW TO APPLY

- COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM
- COMPLETE THE RECCOMENDATION FORM
- PROVIDE A COPY OF TRANSCRIPT
- COMPLETE APPLICATION QUESTIONS

**STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO COMMIT THEIR TIME FROM JULY 12<sup>TH</sup> TO JULY 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2015.**

## SELECTION PROCESS

A committee of Virginia State University faculty and staff will select 14 students to participate in the program. Students will be ranked on recommendation, interview, essay questions, and academic achievements.