

# CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT

SCHOOL COUNSELOR GUIDE





**Our students are a superb group of student leaders chosen for both their high academic achievements and their commitment to engagement through meaningful extracurricular activities.**

We continue to emphasize the importance of interviews and demonstrated interest in Christopher Newport University as part of our holistic application review process.

As we strive to transform hearts and minds, we celebrate the values inherent in the liberal arts and sciences. Students come first at Christopher Newport University, and we are deeply committed to the outstanding young men and women who bring our campus alive with their energy, enthusiasm and intellect. Our students learn to lead lives of significance, and as they demonstrate exceptional leadership both in and out of the classroom, we applaud their extraordinary accomplishments.

#### **WHAT'S NEW AT CNU**

- + Mary M. Torggler  
Fine Arts Center
- + Coast-To-Coast  
Athletic Conference
- + Cybersecurity major
- + Kinesiology major
- + Summer Scholars  
Program



#### **FINANCIAL AID DATA**

**\$12,954**

*Average financial aid package*

**36%**

*Percentage of freshmen receiving a merit award*

#### **DEADLINES**

##### **FAFSA**

Preferred	December 15, 2021
Priority	March 1, 2022

##### **MERIT SCHOLARSHIP**

Preferred	December 15, 2021
Priority	February 15, 2022

# AT A GLANCE

## PUBLIC

LIBERAL ART AND SCIENCES  
with a private school feel

**90+**

Areas of  
study

**200+**

Clubs and student  
organizations

**24**

varsity teams

NCAA Division III

Coast-To-Coast Conference

Play games nationwide

**95%**

of graduates are  
employed or in grad  
school within six  
months of graduation

A beautiful campus with world-class facilities, the latest  
technology and new Torggler Fine Arts Center

**5,000**

students enrolled

**1,150**

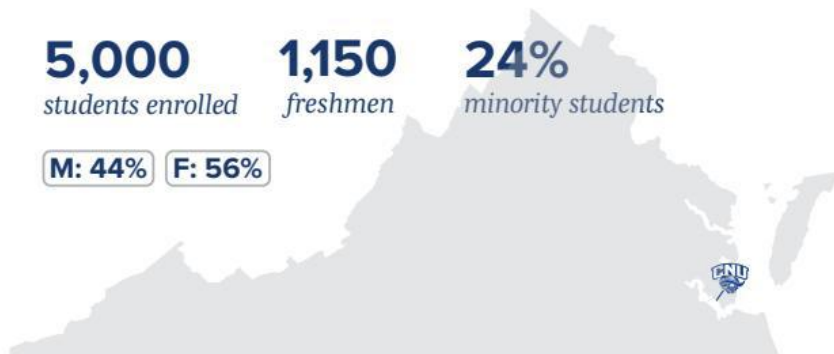
freshmen

**24%**

minority students

**M: 44%**

**F: 56%**



Captains represent  
every region in Virginia

**30 OTHER STATES**

**27 FOREIGN COUNTRIES**

### FRESHMAN CLASS PROFILE\*

**1184** Average SAT (Evidence-Based  
Reading & Writing and Math)

**3.8** Average High School GPA

\*fall 2020 data

**400+**

renewable freshmen scholarships  
for honors and leadership students

### ON-CAMPUS PARKING

For all students,  
including freshmen

### SIXTY PERCENT

of classes have 19  
or fewer students

### RESIDENCE LIFE

modern buildings and  
all in-suite bathrooms

## NATIONALLY PROMINENT

### American Council of Trustees and Alumni (ACTA)

The only public university  
in the U.S. to earn a perfect  
"A" grade for strength of  
curriculum

### Poets & Quants

#7 in U.S. business schools  
for value of degree

### Learn.org

Communication and  
psychology programs  
among best in nation

### Study.com

Top 20 business  
schools in the U.S.

### The Princeton Review

The Best 386 Colleges

Top 20:

- + Best Quality of Life
- + Most Engaged in  
Public Service
- + Best College Dorms

### Top Master's in Education

Top 5 Elementary Education  
Graduate Programs

### U.S. News & World Report

**No. 4 Top Public Schools**  
(Regional Universities in  
the South)



# AREAS OF STUDY

- Accounting
- African American Studies
- American Studies
  - Constitutional Studies
  - Humanities
  - Social Science
- Anthropology
- Applied Physics
- Art History
  - Asian Studies
- Biochemistry
- Biology
  - Biology – Cellular, Molecular and Physiological
  - Biology – Integrative
  - Biology – Kinesiology
  - Biology – Organismal and Environmental
- Business Administration
- Chemistry
  - Childhood Studies
  - Civic Engagement and Social Justice
- Classical Studies
  - Classical Studies
  - Classical Languages
- Communication
  - Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Criminology
- Cybersecurity
- Dance
- Data Science
- Digital Humanities
- Discrete Mathematics
- Economics
  - Mathematical Economics
- Electrical Engineering
- English
  - Literature
  - Writing
- Environmental Studies
  - Film Studies
- Finance
- French
- German
  - Greek Studies
- History
  - Human Rights and Conflict Resolution
- Information Science
- International Culture and Business
- Judeo-Christian Studies
- Latin
- Latin American Studies
- Leadership Studies\*
- Linguistics
- Literature
- Management
- Marketing
- Mathematics
  - Mathematics – Computational and Applied
    - Biology and Life Sciences
    - Economics
    - Electrical Engineering
    - Physics and Engineering
- Medieval and Renaissance Studies
- Middle East and North Africa Studies
- Military Science (ROTC)
- Music
  - Creative Studies
  - Music Studies
  - Performance Composition
  - Pre-Certification Choral
  - Pre-Certification Instrumental
- Neuroscience
- Philosophy
  - Pre-Seminary Studies
  - Studies in Religion
- Philosophy and Religion
- Philosophy of Law
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Studio Art
  - 2D and 3D Media
  - Graphic Design
  - Photography and Video Art
- Theater
  - Acting
  - Arts Administration
  - Design/Technical Theater
  - Directing/Dramatic Literature
  - Music Theater/Dance
  - Theater Studies
- U.S. National Security Studies
- Women's and Gender Studies
- Writing

## ADVISING TRACKS

Biotechnology and Management

Pre-Law

Pre-Med and Pre-Health

## BACHELOR'S TO FIVE-YEAR MASTER'S PROGRAMS

Applied Physics and Computer Science

Environmental Science

Teaching (MAT)

## GRADUATE STUDY

Financial Analysis

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● Major ● Minor ● Concentration \*Approved as a second major only





## ADMISSION EVENTS AND TOURS

### OPEN HOUSES

September 25, 2021 | October 23, 2021  
February 5, 2022 | March 23, 2022

### PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP AND HONORS VISIT DAYS

October 16, 2021 | November 13, 2021  
January 29, 2022 | February 12, 2022\*

*\*Virtual event*

### INFORMATION SESSIONS AND CAMPUS TOURS

Monday-Friday: A.M. and P.M.  
Saturday: A.M.

### VIRTUAL LIVE Q&A

An admission staff member and a current student will share information about the Christopher Newport experience and answer any questions about life as a Captain **every Wednesday at 2:30 p.m.**

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR COUNSELORS

### HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR VISIT DAY

TBD - Look for additional information in the near future

### INDIVIDUAL VISITS

To schedule a campus visit, contact Rob Lange at **(757) 594-8070** or **robert.lange@cnu.edu**.

For important counselor information or to register for an event, visit **cnu.edu/hscounselor**. Students may schedule a visit or register for an event at **cnu.edu/campusvisit**



# FLAGSHIP PROGRAMS

## PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP PROGRAM (PLP) | [cnu.edu/plp](http://cnu.edu/plp)

As part of PLP, each student earns a minor in leadership studies. Through challenging courses, public service, personal development, foreign study and other targeted opportunities, PLP empowers leadership students to make a difference — to become caring, knowledgeable and effective leaders for America and the world.

**Each student receives an annual residential scholarship and one-time study abroad scholarship, as well as priority housing in a PLP Learning Community and priority course registration.**

## HONORS PROGRAM | [cnu.edu/honors](http://cnu.edu/honors)

This unique program offers students more freedom to customize their academic experience for their personal and professional aspirations by reducing the liberal learning core requirements. This allows more time for interdisciplinary seminar-style courses and challenges students by means of study abroad, independent research, internships, jobs and volunteer experience relevant to their passions.

**Each student receives an annual residential scholarship and one-time study abroad scholarship, as well as priority housing in an Honors Learning Community and priority course registration.**

Additional scholarship opportunities: Bonner Service Scholars, Computer Science and Engineering Scholars, Ferguson Enterprises Performing Arts Scholarships, Riverside Medical Group Pre-Med Scholars

## ADVISING TRACKS

PRE-HEALTH  
[cnu.edu/prehealth](http://cnu.edu/prehealth)

PRE-MED  
[cnu.edu/premed](http://cnu.edu/premed)

PRE-LAW  
[cnu.edu/prelaw](http://cnu.edu/prelaw)

## ACADEMIC PILLARS

INTERNSHIPS  
[cnu.edu/internships](http://cnu.edu/internships)

SERVICE  
[cnu.edu/engage](http://cnu.edu/engage)

STUDY ABROAD  
[cnu.edu/studyabroad](http://cnu.edu/studyabroad)

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH  
[cnu.edu/research](http://cnu.edu/research)

## STUDENT SERVICES

CENTER FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS  
[cnu.edu/academicsuccess](http://cnu.edu/academicsuccess)

CENTER FOR CAREER PLANNING  
[cnu.edu/careerplanning](http://cnu.edu/careerplanning)





# APPLYING TO CNU

We encourage students to apply to Christopher Newport as early as possible due to our selective admission standards. We anticipate receiving 8,000 applications for only 1,200 spaces in the fall freshman class. Students applying for Early Decision or Early Action will receive priority consideration for admission as well as academic scholarships.

Application Type	Deadline to Apply	Notification Date
Early Decision	November 15	December 15
Early Action	December 1	January 15
Regular Decision	February 1	March 15

## EARLY DECISION

By applying Early Decision, students agree to enroll if offered admission. While students may apply to other colleges, they agree to withdraw all other applications if admitted. If students feel Christopher Newport University is the right fit for them, applying Early Decision will give them the best chance for admission as it demonstrates their commitment, which we take into account when reviewing their application. Early Decision is binding.

## EARLY ACTION

Early Action is a nonbinding option and great choice for students very interested in Christopher Newport University but still considering other colleges. By applying Early Action a decision will be made long before the traditional spring notification date.

## REGULAR DECISION

Regular Decision is also nonbinding and provides the most time to submit an application. It has the latest notification date and is the most competitive.

### 2021-22 Costs per year

	TUITION	ROOM AND BOARD	TOTAL
IN-STATE	\$14,924	\$12,120	\$27,044
OUT-OF-STATE	\$27,790	\$12,120	\$39,910

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## ADMISSION INTERVIEWS [cnu.edu/interview](https://cnu.edu/interview)

In-person interviews are strongly recommended for all applicants and are required for PLP and Honors candidates. This personal interaction is an important part of the application process. It is a great way to enhance students admission application and receive a personalized introduction to CNU. We want to meet one-on-one to learn about students —their personal qualities, challenges overcome and other important information we can't discern from their test scores or GPA.

## TEST OPTIONAL

Christopher Newport was one of the first public universities in Virginia to offer test-optional admission over a decade ago, and many of our admission offers are made each year to students who choose not to submit standardized test scores. We made further concessions in 2020-21 to account for testing hardships by lifting the minimum GPA and rank-in-class requirements for test-optional consideration. Our holistic review process takes many factors into consideration, and applying test-optional requires that we place more emphasis on other credentials. Many students still choose to submit standardized test scores from the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), American College Test (ACT) and/or the Classic Learning Test (CLT) to bolster their admission and scholarship applications.

## WE ACCEPT

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 COALITION  
FOR COLLEGE

Apply at [cnu.edu/admission](https://cnu.edu/admission)





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## VIRTUAL CAMPUS TOUR

Check out our virtual tour to preview campus and hear from current Christopher Newport University students. Visit online or download our app to explore our campus in virtual reality. With 360-degree views and cinematic experience, you can choose your path as you travel throughout campus.

[i.cnu.edu/virtualtour](http://i.cnu.edu/virtualtour)

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