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THREADS

October 13, 2025

Radford shows its culture of care by wrapping everyone in tartans! This past weekend, we wove together Homecoming and the Highlander Festival to create the most fun and active event I've seen at Radford (after Graduation, of course). I was so proud to see our Academic Affairs faculty, staff, students, and administrators out having fun and representing us so well.

- Dean Donna Weaver McCloskey spoke to a roomful of (mostly) women in fancy hats about how she has found her place here. The alumni I spoke to were so excited by the past and the future of Radford after that event!
- The Radford Pipe Band, growing bigger and more skilled every day, not only showed off in the formal events, but also had a gaggle of admirers (groupies?). I watched Geoff Pollock patiently explaining how the pipes worked, letting people try them, and recruiting new members.
- Undergraduate and graduate students had come to jam out with Johnny Cake the Lunch Truck, thrilled to see their professors and dean. Many of them didn't know before that we have our own public radio station, WVRU, who sponsored the stage.
- Our students kept a Scottish horde of children entertained with the bounce house and the mini Highlander games.

Everywhere, I saw our Radford community cheering on women and men carrying rocks and throwing various objects, while welcoming a diverse crowd to campus. All the visitors and alumni must have left knowing that not only do we have a beautiful campus, we also weave a community of care.

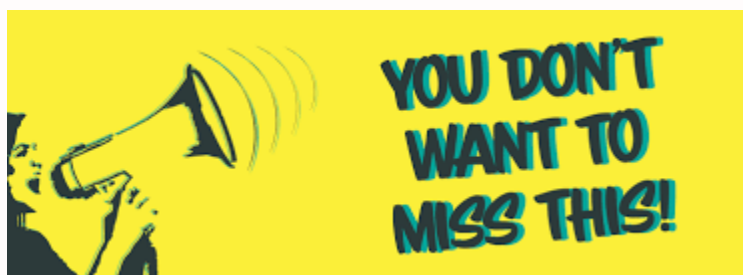


Many thanks to everyone who worked to make the last few weekends such a success - there are many of you, including our facilities team who was out early this morning taking down the barriers.

Don't stop reading! We're tweaking Threads to make sure that we are giving you timely and relevant information for the upcoming weeks. Let us know if there is something you want to see here.

Thanks for all you do!

Bethany



We are excited to announce the 2nd **RAD Talk for fall** featuring Dr. Jenny Hall. She will be sharing:

From Tick Bites to Better Care: Confronting Tickborne Diseases in Virginia

When:

Monday | Oct 20 | 7pm

Where:



Social at Selu

Hello
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Snacks, non-alcoholic beverages, live
music, all with a splash of fall!
Cash bar available.

3215 Dry Valley Road
Radford, VA 24141

October 23, 2025
4:30PM - 6:00PM

The Center for Gender Studies and the Women’s Studies Program are proud to announce their new collaboration, The Hearth of Hemphill Hall.

Located in the Center for Gender Studies, Hemphill Hall Room 4400, The Hearth provides a workspace for students working on topics related to Women’s & Gender Studies: one desktop PC with dual monitors, a monitor with hookups for those who want to extend their laptop screen, and desk space for those who simply need a space to work.



Also provided are snacks, coffee, tea, hot cocoa, an electric kettle, a microwave, and a Keurig brewer. We are currently stocked with cups and utensils for folks who would like to stop in for a hot beverage or a snack. The Hearth also stocks period products, condoms, toiletries, and provides information about issues relevant to Women’s and Gender Studies.

Staffed by one work-study student and volunteers from around the campus, The Hearth welcomes visits from students, staff, and faculty, Monday & Wednesday 12-5 and Tuesday & Thursday 10-3. For



Regional Health Discussion Events with Carilion Clinic

The **Dr. Raymond N. Linville Center for Interprofessional Education and Practice** and the **Waldron College Health Advocacy Committee** invite students, faculty, staff, administrators, and community partners to participate in two upcoming **hybrid** events featuring representatives from **Carilion Clinic**.

These sessions will share findings from the **Roanoke Valley and New River Valley Community Health Needs Assessments (CHNAs)** and explore opportunities for collaboration to improve health and well-being across our region.

We welcome your participation and perspectives as we discuss how interprofessional collaboration, research, community service, and community partnerships with Radford University can help address key health priorities identified in these assessments.

- Tuesday, November 11, 2025 – Roanoke Valley CHNA Discussion
 - Radford University Carilion (RUC) | 12:00–1:30 p.m. EST
- Wednesday, November 12, 2025 – New River Valley CHNA Discussion
 - Artis Center at Radford University | 12:00–1:30 p.m. EST

Questions can be directed to Dr. Jenny Hall, Waldron College Associate Dean for Interprofessional Education and Practice and Director of the Linville Center at jlhall2@radford.edu

Please fill out this short interest form



Spring & Summer 2026 Undergraduate Graduation Application Due October 15

Graduation applications for undergraduate students planning to graduate in Spring or Summer 2026 are due **by October 15**. Please remind students to apply through OneCampus by the application deadline.

More Information About Undergraduate Graduation

Contact the Registrar about graduation

REMINDER:

Fall 2025 semester midterm grades are open. The deadline for entering midterm grades is Friday, October 17th at 10:00am.



Radford Repair Café – Friday, October 10 | 10 am–2 pm Center for Innovative Teaching & Learning – McConnell Suite 270

Got something broken, wobbly, torn, or tangled? Don't toss it—fix it! Join us at the **Repair Café** where our repair coaches will help you learn how to bring your items back to life—for **free**!

What you can bring:

- **Clothing & Textiles:** rips, tears, resizing
- **Small Mechanical Items:** gears, levers, wheels, hinges, loose screws, cracks
- **Jewelry:** clasps, tangled chains, unstrung beads
- **Technology:** software installs
- **Plants (Biology Greenhouse 10am – 1pm):** propagation, repotting, dividing

Come for the fixes, stay for the fun of learning new skills and keeping useful things out of the landfill!



Radford University has transitioned from our paper process for **undergraduate internships** to an online workflow beginning with spring 2026 registration. (Graduate programs are welcome to use this workflow as well.)

We are all excited to support our students in securing quality internship opportunities. To support this effort, Radford University is transitioning the Attorney General-approved Radford University Internship and Co-operative Education Agreement (RUICEA) form from Paper/PDFs to an online workflow called as **Experiences, a module hosted on the Handshake platform**. All students pursuing for-credit internships or co-ops complete the RUICEA form by accessing the Experiences module using Handshake. Completing the Experience module, will not only serve as a completed version of the RUICEA form but it **will also register the students for their internship courses**. As part of this change, going forward, students will only be able to register for an internship or co-op course by completing the Experience module.

Our **training manual** is currently available on the resources section of Handshake, so all students should have access to it, and we are working on getting it added to the Career website.

[Video Tour of the Online Workflow](#)



Apply for Undergraduate Research Showcase at the Capitol

The Network for Undergraduate Research in Virginia (NURVa) announced the 2nd Annual Undergraduate Research Showcase at the Capitol. Radford University is invited to submit up to five poster proposals. Radford University can then have up to two selected for the event by NURVa. This event will take place in **Richmond, Virginia, at the General Assembly Building on Thursday, January 29, 2026, from 3-5pm.**

All applications submitted by midnight November 14th will be evaluated by the OURS advisory committee according to the NURVa criteria. NURVa will make the ultimate decisions by December 15th. Please contact the Office of Undergraduate Research at ours@radford.edu with any questions.

Apply Now

Applying to OURS for Support Just Got Easier

Now in one place you can apply:

- to have a poster printed,
- to present at Winter CARD,
- to present at the Student Engagement Forum,
- to present at the Highlander Research Blitz,
- for a SURF grant,
- for funding to present at a conference,
- for material support of a new project through the Student Seed Grants, and
- to earn the Research Scholar diploma distinction

All applications for OURS support have been moved to one easy to find location



Sponsored Programs Seed Grant Program - Interdisciplinary Research Team Project Development Award

The Interdisciplinary Research Team Project Development Award aims to foster collaborative, cross-discipline research and scholarly activity in the following focus areas: Healthcare (e.g., health disparities, rural health, mental health, healthcare education), Artificial Intelligence (AI), Community workforce training that boosts economic development, as well as Community engagement promoting cultural heritage, tourism, and the arts

The goals of this award are to:

- Support the formation and development of diverse, interdisciplinary teams
- Encourage interdisciplinary collaboration and generation of innovative research.
- Enable teams to conduct smaller projects/studies that may impact the university and/or aid the community, collect preliminary data/ information for external funding proposals, Federal earmarked proposals, or other allied initiatives
- Promote community impact and engagement as a key outcome of funded projects

Request for Proposals - Interdisciplinary Research Team Project Development



Radford University Archives & Special Collections is here to support your research, curiosity, and creativity this semester!

Visit our Reading Room for Drop-in Hours! Whether you're diving into a research project or just curious about Radford's history, stop by during these times:

Tuesdays & Thursdays
9am–11am | 2pm–4pm

Need more flexibility? No problem! The Reading Room is also open by appointment.

Email: archives@radford.edu

Call: 540-831-5691

Can't make it in person? Check out our Digital Archive for a growing collection of digitized materials: <https://monk.radford.edu/>

Note: Not everything is online, reach out if you don't see what you need!

Faculty & Student Groups: Plan a class visit or field trip to explore archival treasures! Advanced notice required.

Email or call to reserve your date.

Digitization Services: Got cool historical documents or family memorabilia? We can help digitize them! Limit: 25 pages per visit unless approved by staff.

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New Electronic Forms for Faculty working with Graduate Students:

[Graduate Course Transfer Request](#)

Purpose: Used by Graduate Students and Advisors to submit course transfer requests from other institutions.

Audience: Graduate Advisors and Students

[Continuous Enrollment Form \(GRAD 799\)](#)

Purpose: Used to enroll for GRAD 799 for completion of requirements for a graduate class, thesis, or dissertation.

Audience: Graduate Advisors and Students

Dates to remember:

- Fall Break: October 17th, 2025
- Thanksgiving Break: November 22nd – November 30th, 2025

Withdrawal Deadlines: (Withdraw by the deadline receive “W” on transcript)

- Fall 2025 Course Withdrawal: October 31st, 2025
- Fall 2025 University Withdrawal: November 14th, 2025
- Fall B 2025 Course Withdrawal (Fast Track): November 25th, 2025
- Fall B 2025 University Withdrawal (Fast Track): December 1st, 2025

Degree/Certificate Deadlines:

- Fall B 2025 (Fast Track): October 27th, 2025

Graduation:

- Graduate student Graduation Ceremony: December 12th, 2025, at 5:00 PM

[Learn about the graduation process](#)

Graduate Research & Scholarly Projects Stories

We are collecting stories of graduate student and faculty conferences, presentations, publications, or new research initiatives.

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