

Do you stand out in the field of education?
Do you want to give back
to the teaching profession?



Be a role model for tomorrow's teachers...

Join the VCU Clinical Faculty!

“Working with a student teacher encouraged reflection on my own teaching style and methodologies. I would often pause and think of why I approached a topic a certain way and how I could improve my teaching.”

Laura Lay
Chesterfield County
Public Schools

Who are we looking for?

We are looking for:

- Teachers who are committed and dedicated to the profession.
- Teachers who seek professional growth and ways to expand their roles within the classroom.
- Teachers who want to give back to the profession by contributing to the development of the next generation of teachers.

We are looking for role models for tomorrow's teachers. We are looking for you!

Who are we?

The VCU Clinical Faculty Program is an initiative created and supported by the Metropolitan Educational Training Alliance (META), a partnership among Chesterfield County Public Schools, Hanover County Public Schools, Henrico County Public Schools, Richmond City Public Schools and Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU).

Why join our program?

Teachers consistently report that their student teaching experience was the most powerful and important part of their preparation program. More than 90 percent of VCU teacher education graduates are hired by school divisions in the metro-Richmond area each year. These students will be your colleagues soon. Help shape their attitudes and dispositions about teaching and enhance their knowledge and skills in the classroom.

Be a role model for tomorrow's teachers.

“Student teaching has given me the opportunity to gain invaluable experiences that were not possible in the academic setting.”

Katherine Blackburn
VCU Student Intern
Richmond City Public Schools

What does becoming VCU Clinical Faculty mean for you?

As VCU Clinical Faculty, you will become a member of a growing network of professionals who are committed to the development and support of VCU preservice teachers. You will receive...

- an **honorarium** for each student teacher with whom you work;
- **VCU library privileges** for your home or classroom use that can be accessed electronically;
- **recertification points** for participating in training and working with preservice teachers;
- **training and experience** that will enhance your own teaching skills; and
- **opportunities for further professional growth and leadership roles.**

As VCU Clinical Faculty, you may advance to become a university supervisor of student teachers and an instructor for university courses. Most importantly, you will become part of a select and highly trained corps of teacher leaders.

You will be a role model for tomorrow's teachers.

What does it take?

VCU Clinical Faculty are distinguished by...

- exemplary practice;
- strong leadership, communication, organizational and critical thinking skills;
- sound knowledge of content, pedagogy and child/adolescent development; and
- curiosity and eagerness to learn.

Do you have what it takes to be a role model for tomorrow's teachers?

"Being a cooperating teacher allows a seasoned educator to cultivate confident, effective, self-reflective teachers for the future."

Cheryl Griggs

Hanover County Public Schools

How do you apply?

Candidates for VCU Clinical Faculty must...

- have a valid Virginia teaching license;
- be certified to teach subject(s)/grade(s) to which they are assigned; and
- have at least three years of successful teaching experience.

If candidates meet these requirements, they must complete an application which includes a resumé, written responses and recommendations from their principal and a colleague.

Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee and the most promising applicants will be invited to participate in training to become VCU Clinical Faculty.

Applications are available online at www.ctl.vcu.edu. Please note submission deadlines.

How will you be prepared?

National Board Certified Teachers have developed a two-day training session to provide you with the tools and strategies to become successful VCU Clinical Faculty. Information on training dates and locations can be found at www.ctl.vcu.edu. As you work with student teachers, you also will be supported and coached in your new leadership role through an on-line network for VCU Clinical Faculty.

"My cooperating teacher left a significant imprint on me. I will never forget our thoughtful discussions about practical issues, such as handling parents, dealing with administration, and behavior in the teachers' lounge."

Ryan Conway

VCU Student Intern

Henrico County Public Schools

How you can contact us:

**DR. TERRY DOZIER, DIRECTOR
CENTER FOR TEACHER LEADERSHIP
VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**

**P. O. Box 842020
Richmond, Virginia 23284-2020
Phone: 804.827.0102
Fax: 804.828.1323
E-mail: tdozier@vcu.edu**



VCU Clinical Faculty Program
Center for Teacher Leadership
Virginia Commonwealth University
School of Education

www.ctl.vcu.edu

Virginia Commonwealth University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution providing access to education and employment without regard to age, race, color, national origin, gender, religion, sexual orientation, veteran's status, political affiliation or disability.