

NOVA FACT SHEET: 2023-2024

INSTITUTIONAL PROFILE

Annual Headcount and FTES: The student annual headcount and full-time equivalent student (FTES) total for the 2023-24 academic year were 73,697 and 29,791, respectively.

Mean and Median Age: For Fall 2023, the median age of students was 19, and the mean age was 22.

Age Distribution: The student age distribution for Fall 2023 was 71% 21 years or younger, 18% 22 to 29 years, 10% 30 to 59 years, and 0.9% 60 years and older.

Gender Distribution: In Fall 2023, 52% of NOVA students identified as female, 46% as male, and 2% as not specified.

Race/Ethnicity Distribution: The student race distribution for Fall 2023 was as follows: 0.2% American Indian/Alaska Native, 17% Asian, 13% Black/African American, 25% Hispanic/Latino, 0.2% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, 2% Nonresident Alien, 5% Not Specified, 5% Two or More Races, 0.3% Unknown, and 32% White.

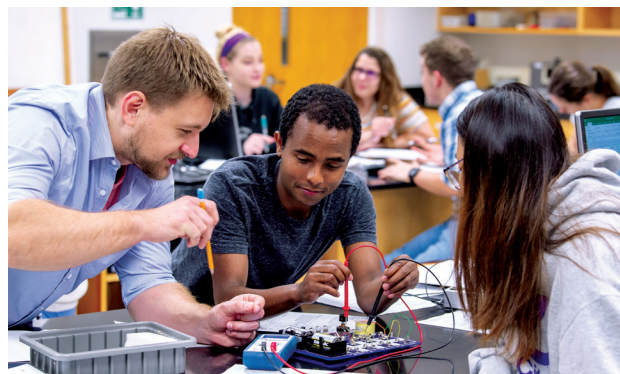
Residency: For Fall 2023, the College consisted of 99% in-state students and 1% out-of-state students.

Enrollment Status: In Fall 2023, 26% of students were full-time, and 74% of students were part-time.

Graduates: In 2022-23, 6,197 students graduated with a NOVA credential.

Personnel: In 2023-24, there were 775 classified staff members, 71 professional faculty, 112 twelve-month administrative faculty, 586 nine- and twelve-month teaching faculty, and 1,462 temporary faculty members. Temporary faculty positions include adjunct, semesterly, and grant faculty.

Distance Learning Classes (NOVA Online): In Fall 2023, the headcount of students taking distance learning classes was 14,621, and the full-time equivalent student (FTES) total was 5,239.



ORGANIZATION

STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR VIRGINIA (SCHEV)

Certain activities of the College come under the supervision of SCHEV, a body which plays a prominent role in planning for higher education in the Commonwealth.

VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM (VCCS)

NOVA is one of 23 colleges within the VCCS which is governed by the State Board for Community Colleges.

COLLEGE BOARD

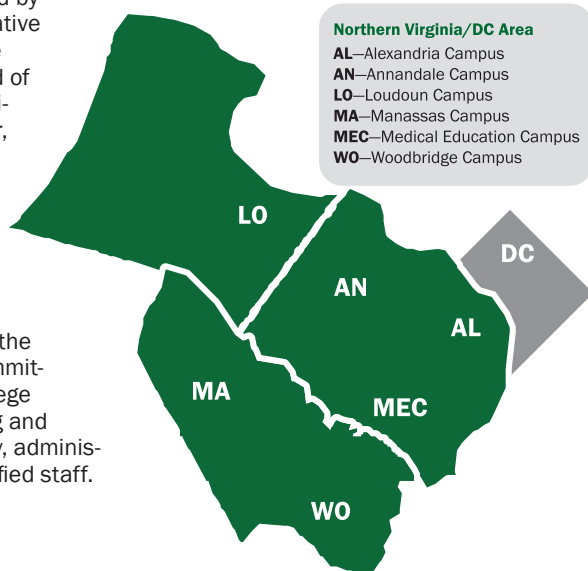
NOVA has a local advisory board of 12 members including the student liaison. Dr. Anne Kress serves as the Secretary to the College Board.

COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION

The President chairs and is assisted by two advisory bodies: the Administrative Council and the College Forum. The Administrative Council is composed of the Chief Academic Officer, Chief Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer, Associate Vice President of Human Resources, Chief of Staff, six provosts, and five vice presidents with different portfolios.

THE COLLEGE FORUM

The College Forum is composed of the College Senate, College Forum Committees, and Forum Councils. The College Forum is representative of teaching and professional faculty, adjunct faculty, administrative faculty, students, and classified staff.



ENROLLMENT BY CAMPUS

ANNUAL STUDENT HEADCOUNT BY HOME CAMPUS: 2023-2024

Campus	Headcount	Percent
Alexandria	15,541	21.1
Annandale	15,973	21.7
Loudoun	18,576	25.2
Manassas	11,171	15.2
Medical Education	1,916	2.6
Woodbridge	10,520	14.3
College	73,697	100.0

POPULATION SERVED

Virginia Planning District 8 (P.D.8)

- COUNTIES: Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William.
- INDEPENDENT CITIES: Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas, and Manassas Park.

NOVA DATA

Enrollment: Annual student headcount increased by 3% from 2019-20 to 2023-24.

Retention: From Fall 2022 to Fall 2023, the Fall-to-Fall retention rate was 51% for all students and 72% for first-time, full-time, program placed students.

Public High School Graduates: Approximately 18% of 2022-23 public high school graduates from the Northern Virginia region enrolled at NOVA in Fall 2023.

International Students: In Fall 2023, the number of international students at NOVA with visas for studying in the U.S. was 696.

Financial Aid: In 2022-23, 25% of NOVA students received some form of financial aid.

Class Size: NOVA offers small classes with an average of 22 students, taught by award-winning faculty.

ACCREDITATION, DEGREES, CERTIFICATES AND CURRICULA ACCREDITATION

NOVA is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award the Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Fine Arts, Associate of Applied Arts, Associate of Applied Science, and Certificates in selected occupational areas.

Curricula of the College are approved by the NOVA Board and by the State Board. The two-year associate degree programs are also approved by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV).

Health technologies programs are accredited by the American Medical Association, the American Dental Association, the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, or the American Physical Therapy Association.

The Veterinary Technology program is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association.

DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Associate of Arts (A.A.), Associate of Science (A.S.), Associate of Fine Arts (A.F.A.), Associate of Applied Arts (A.A.A.), Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.), Certificates (at least 30 credits), Career Studies Certificates (between nine and 29 credits).

CURRICULA

The College offers 61 two-year degree programs (A.A., A.S., A.F.A., A.A.A. and A.A.S.), eight Certificate programs, and 48 Career Studies Certificate programs.

COLLEGE HISTORY

1964 – Northern Virginia Technical College was established.

1965 – First classes were opened with 761 students and 46 faculty and staff members.

1966 – The College was renamed Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA).

1968 – Dr. Richard J. Ernst became NOVA's second president.

1969 – The original plan of establishing one central campus and four satellite centers was changed to a concept of five campuses supported by a central administration.

1988 – The semester system began at NOVA.

1998 – Dr. Richard J. Ernst retired and Dr. Belle S. Wheelan became NOVA's third president.

2002 – Dr. Belle S. Wheelan left NOVA to become the Secretary of Education for Virginia. Dr. Charles L. Downs served as interim president from January to August. Dr. Robert G. Templin, Jr. became the College's fourth president in August.

2003 – The Medical Education Campus opened in Springfield.

2006 – The Arlington Center and Reston Center opened for classes.

2007 – NOVA became an Achieving the Dream College.

2008 – The Innovation Park Center in Manassas opened for classes.

2009 – Signal Hill in Sterling opened for classes.

2010 – NOVA was distinguished as an Achieving the Dream Leader College.

2015 – Dr. Robert G. Templin, Jr. retired in February and Dr. Mel Schiavelli became the acting president. Dr. Scott Ralls became the College's fifth president in September.

2019 – Dr. Scott Ralls left NOVA to become the president of Wakefield Technical Community College in March. Dr. Mel Schiavelli became the interim president.

2020 – Dr. Anne M. Kress became the College's sixth president in January. NOVA was recognized by Achieving the Dream as a Leader College of Distinction.

