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## WHY VIRGINIA TECH

Virginia Tech is partnering with the Commonwealth of Virginia to build a revolutionary 1 million-square-foot Innovation Campus focused on graduate-level education and research in computer science and related fields in Alexandria, driving a new era for the region's innovation economy. The Innovation Campus will extend from Virginia Tech's foundation as one of the largest and most highly regarded producers of STEM degrees in the nation and the commonwealth's leading research university.

As the commonwealth's research land-grant institution, Virginia Tech has a responsibility to serve the commonwealth.

## LEVERAGING THE REGION'S TECH ECONOMY

The strategic location of Alexandria positions Virginia Tech and its future partners near the nation's capital, diverse industries, and leading tech companies, including Amazon's HQ2. The Innovation Campus will anchor the Northern Virginia tech district with groundbreaking new programs and

impactful human-centered research—shaping the high-tech disciplines of the future. It will be a leading magnet for tech talent and innovation, increasing global competitiveness for both the region and the nation. The Innovation Campus will provide economic contributions in the region through capital investments, academic spending, job creation, research and development, entrepreneurship, filling the talent pipeline, alumni involvement and more.

## A LOOK AHEAD

The campus will include academic classrooms, incubator space for new startups and research and development, offices for industry collaboration, and convening space for alumni events. The first class of Innovation Campus master's degree students will enroll in the fall of 2020 in temporary space in Alexandria. When complete in about 10 years, the campus will enroll 750 master's candidates and hundreds of doctoral students and postdoctoral fellows who will address big ideas and broad themes—including security, transportation, energy, and more—to spark discoveries and drive change.

## INNOVATION CAMPUS BY THE NUMBERS

**\$1 billion** Anticipated cost at buildout.

**750** Master's degree candidates at scale.

**50** Initial top-tier tenure-line and research faculty hires.

**\$500 million** Proposed commitment over 20 years from the commonwealth and Virginia Tech.

**60,000** Number of Virginia Tech alumni living in Northern Virginia

**2,000** Increase in computer science undergraduate enrollment at the Blacksburg campus.

**~300,000** square feet of academic space and cutting-edge R&D facilities.

**~250,000** square feet of partner space dedicated to startups and corporate facilities.

## LOCATION

- The Innovation Campus's strategic location, on 15 acres just south of the Four Mile Run stream that separates Alexandria and Arlington, positions Virginia Tech and its future partners near the nation's capital, diverse industries, and leading tech companies, including Amazon's HQ2.
- The graduate campus will be part of a 65-acre mixed-use district planned and developed by Lionstone Investments in the North Potomac Yard portion of National Landing.
- The campus will include academic classrooms, incubator space for new startups and research and development, offices for industry collaboration, and convening space for alumni events. The development plans call for public open space and ground-floor retail, knitting the campus into the fabric of Alexandria.
- A new Metro station is being developed on the Yellow/Blue lines at the south end of the property, providing train service roughly a quarter of a mile from the Innovation Campus. Reagan National Airport will be one Metro stop north of the site, and Crystal City, and the new Amazon headquarters will be two stops away.

