



Six town-gown meetings scheduled for 2017-18



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Virginia Tech once again placed among the top colleges and universities in the nation for “Town-Gown Relations are Great” in the 2018 Princeton Review rankings, earning the No. 15 spot out of 382

institutions. The continued recognition is largely due to the planning and purposeful dialogue facilitated by the town-gown committee, a group made up of Virginia Tech and Town of Blacksburg representatives.

Co-chaired by Senior Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Frank Shushok and Deputy Town Manager Steven Ross, the town-gown team holds six monthly forums each year on issues that generate conversation across campus and throughout Blacksburg. Student voices are a key part of the meetings, with members of the Virginia Tech Student Life Council taking an active role in the discussions.

The 2017-2018 schedule of town-gown meetings will focus on the following topics:

All town-gown meetings are held from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Great Room on the second floor of Ambler Johnston Hall on the Virginia Tech campus. Students, faculty, staff, and town residents are invited to attend.

- Fraternity and Sorority Life:
Strengthening Town-Gown
Intersections on Thursday,
September 21
- Thinking about
Sustainability: Blacksburg
and Virginia Tech Together
on Thursday, October 19
- Blacksburg Transient and
Alternative Transportation:
Planning for the Future on
Thursday, November 30
- The VT Creativity and
Innovation District: New
Possibilities for Partnership
on Thursday, February 15
- Dreaming Forward: A
Conversation with VT and
Town Senior Leaders on
Thursday, March 15
- Masterplan Updates:
Virginia Tech and the Town
of Blacksburg on Thursday,
April 19

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