## Virginia Commonwealth University Two-Year Transfer Grant (CTG) Update

Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) actively promotes the Two-Year College Transfer Grant Program (CTG) and is dedicated to increasing visibility and access of this award for our students transferring from the Virginia Community College System and Richard Bland College.

The university has far exceeded our goal as outlined in <u>Appropriation Act - Item 141 G.4.d.</u> (Regular <u>Session, 2019</u>). From the 2018-19 to the 2019-20 school year we have continued to increase our total number of CTG recipients as well as the number of students eligible for the STEM-N Bonus award. In the 2018-19 school year, we awarded 261 students \$216,807.67 in CTG with 246 of those students receiving the incentive award totaling \$196,853.67. For that same year we awarded 123 CTG bonus awards to students in STEM-N majors totaling \$96,170.

For the 2019-20 school year our totals across all three awards increased. We awarded 271 students CTG totaling \$244,000.00 with 252 of those students receiving the incentive award for a total of \$213,500.00. Our total recipients for the STEM-N bonus award increased to 132 recipients with an award total of \$122,500.00 in the 2019-20 school year.

Program	2018-19	2019-20	Change
	Students		
CTG	261	271	+10
Incentive Award	246	252	+6
STEM-N Bonus	123	132	+9
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	Dollars		
СТБ	\$216,807.67	\$244,000.00	+\$27,192.33
CTG Incentive Award		\$244,000.00 \$213,500.00	+\$27,192.33 +\$16,646.33

Although we did not experience major increases in the CTG award year over year, this is to be expected. Between 2017-18 and 2018-19, we created new mechanisms for identifying eligible students and those efforts worked well and we experienced significant increases across all categories of CTG awards. Now that we have these identification mechanisms in place, we will continue to use them to target these students through outreach and communications to maximize usage of the CTG program.

It is our goal to continue to enhance our training and communication efforts so that every eligible student receives the CTG award. Our efforts have been successful thus far and we will continue to ensure that the CTG program is a top priority for VCU.