

# VCU SOM PRE-COLLEGE TIMELINE FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL YEARS

## FRESHMAN AND SOPHOMORE YEARS

- EXPLORE YOUR INTERESTS
- DEVELOP STRONG STUDY SKILLS
- LOOK FOR AND BEGIN MEDICAL, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCES



## JUNIOR YEAR: ACADEMICS, EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND PREPARING FOR SENIOR YEAR!

GET INVOLVED WITH CLUBS AND EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES!  
CONTINUE MEDICAL, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCES,  
STUDY AND REGISTER FOR THE PSAT, START TO BUILD YOUR COLLEGE LIST  
AND COLLECT FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION (ONGOING)  
PLAN FOR AND TAKE THE SAT, MEET WITH YOUR COUNSELOR TO PLAN FOR  
SENIOR YEAR AND COLLEGE APPLICATIONS  
SPEND SOME TIME VISITING COLLEGE CAMPUSES, RESEARCH  
SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES, BEGIN DRAFTING VERSATILE ESSAYS



## SENIOR YEAR

CONTINUE MEDICAL, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCES!  
FINALIZE LIST OF COLLEGES AND MAKE NOTE OF DEADLINES!  
BRAINSTORM IDEAS THEN BEGIN TO CREATE YOUR PERSONAL ESSAY  
CONFIRM LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION,  
HAVE OTHERS PROOFREAD ESSAYS AND REVIEW YOUR APPLICATION THEN SUBMIT!  
SUBMIT FASFA  
COMPLETE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS



CELEBRATE YOUR ACCEPTANCES,  
GRADUATE AND PREPARE TO GO TO  
COLLEGE!

