



ANNUAL REPORT

2024 – 2025

Randolph-Macon College

**A RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE LIBERAL ARTS
EDUCATION DEVELOPS THE MIND AND
CHARACTER OF EACH STUDENT.**

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



I am struck by the tremendous gratitude that many of you feel toward Randolph-Macon and the promise you rightly see for the future.

DEAR RMC COMMUNITY,

I take over the masthead here on Randolph-Macon's 2024-2025 Annual Report with admiration for what you all accomplished in that weighty 12-month period—a year that is already clearly worthy of the history books!

A record enrollment. A new high-water mark for RMC Athletics. Inspirational gifts that paid homage to President Emeritus Lindgren and honored his legacy. New buildings, new majors, and new initiatives.

It was clear to me from the moment that President Lindgren passed me the baton as the new President of Randolph-Macon that this was a college with tremendous momentum and I should be ready to run. My first few busy months here are about listening and learning. I am struck by the tremendous gratitude that many of you feel toward Randolph-Macon and the promise you rightly see for the future.

This Annual Report is a chance to reflect on those many accomplishments, and to see the direct impact of our work in the stories of the people who are part of it. A common thread (and one I've seen repeated again and again in stories about this

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place!) is the spark of connection between Yellow Jackets. Our care for each other is alive and well, even as our ranks swell.

The other purpose of this report is perhaps its most important one—a chance to express our gratitude. Once again, you’ve stepped up for Randolph-Macon with the generosity of your time and treasure.

And while annual reports so often can be seen as “rearview mirrors,” I believe this report says as much about our future as it does anything else ... and that future is bright indeed. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you have done for Randolph-Macon College and for accepting the charge to be a part of its dynamic future to come!

Go Jackets!

Michael E. Hill

Dr. Michael E. Hill
President
Randolph-Macon College



On his first official day as Randolph-Macon President, Dr. Michael E. Hill heard from Schapiro Undergraduate Research Fellows presenting their work.





GIVING UP CLOSE

Fiscal year 2025 was a remarkable year for philanthropy at Randolph-Macon, with total giving reaching **\$9.6 million**—a **38% increase** over the prior year, fueled in part by giving to honor the legacy of retiring president Robert R. Lindgren (see page 5). This exceptional level of support reflects the deep commitment of our alumni and friends to the College and its mission. **Annual support for athletics reached an all-time high**, demonstrating the pride so many feel in the achievements of our student-athletes and coaches.

Our students continue to embrace Randolph-Macon's spirit of philanthropy, with **80% of members of the Class of 2025** participating in the Senior Class Gift—an inspiring demonstration of their loyalty and gratitude.

It is evident that the passion of those who love Randolph-Macon remains strong, and because of their generosity, President Michael Hill begins his tenure with a solid foundation and a community that is deeply invested in the College's future.



» \$9.6 million

TOTAL GIFTS TO THE COLLEGE

» \$2,828,267

TOTAL GIFTS SUPPORTING ATHLETICS

BY THE NUMBERS

26%

OF ALUMNI MADE A
GIFT TO THE COLLEGE

» \$3.2 million

FUNDS RAISED TO COMPLETE CAPITAL
PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN SINCE 2018

» \$1,314,012

UNRESTRICTED GIVING TO THE
RANDOLPH-MACON ANNUAL FUND



Members of the Presidents and Heritage Societies, along with friends of the College, gathered for A Toast to the Lindgrens in April, an event celebrating the lasting impact of Robert and Cheryl Lindgren on Randolph-Macon. There, guests took part in saluting the couple by waving commemorative ball caps, a nod to an iconic piece of President Lindgren's wardrobe when attending athletics events on campus across his two-decade tenure.

A LASTING IMPACT

A significant number of donors chose to make gifts above and beyond their usual annual support in honor of the nearly 20-year tenure of President Robert R. Lindgren. These tribute gifts were directed to several of President Lindgren's and the College's key priorities—most notably, helping to complete the remaining \$3.2 million needed for the most recent capital projects undertaken since 2018.

These transformational projects—Payne Hall, Duke Hall, the Center for the Performing Arts, Carol Estes Park, and the renovation of Crenshaw Gymnasium and its locker rooms—represent a total investment of \$53.7 million, all funded entirely through the extraordinary generosity of alumni, faculty, staff, parents, students, and friends of the College.

The Birdsong family made a generous gift to name the stage in Blackwell Auditorium the Robert R. Lindgren Stage. Pictured with the Lindgrens on stage are George Birdsong and Everett Birdsong '84.



BIGGEST BUZZ YET

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL RECRUITING YEAR BROUGHT IN ANOTHER RECORD-SETTING CLASS OF FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS.

This now makes a three-year trend that has resulted in Randolph-Macon's total enrollment exceeding 1,800 students for the first time.

When the 2025-2026 academic year began on Sept. 1, the College welcomed over 600 new students to the campus. That incoming class, the largest in RMC's history, is made up of 536 first-year students and 67 transfers, in addition to four exchange students.

In 2023, RMC enrolled one of its largest classes ever, only to be surpassed in 2024 with the first class of over 600 new students. Amidst a challenging environment in higher education, Randolph-Macon has bucked national trends by continuing to grow and meet other institutional goals while still maintaining high educational standards.



» 32%

FIRST GENERATION
COLLEGE STUDENTS

» 3.77

AVERAGE
HIGH SCHOOL GPA



William

MOST POPULAR
MALE NAME

Abigail

MOST POPULAR
FEMALE NAME

CLASS OF 2029

Top 5
Stated
Majors

BUSINESS
NURSING
BIOLOGY
PSYCHOLOGY
CRIMINOLOGY



» 24

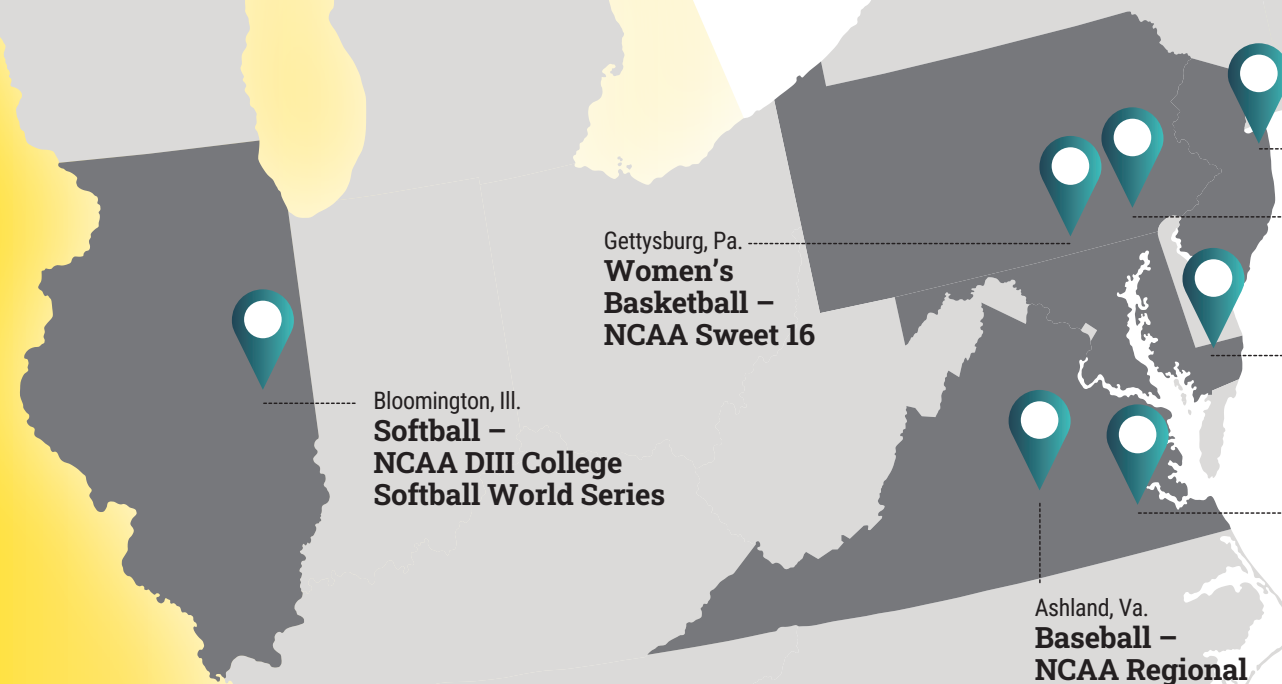
STATES
REPRESENTED

» 31.4%

STUDENTS OF COLOR

ATHLETICS UP CLOSE

RMC ATHLETICS HAD A BANNER YEAR, WITH SEVEN DIFFERENT YELLOW JACKET TEAMS COMPETING IN NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY.





Hoboken, N.J.

Men's Volleyball – NCAA First Round

Lancaster, Pa.

Men's Basketball – NCAA Second Round

Salisbury, Md.

Football – NCAA Third Round

Williamsburg, Va.

Women's Golf – NCAA Championship Tournament



BEST-EVER
LEARFIELD
DIRECTORS'
CUP FINISH

The Learfield Directors' Cup is an annual competition within each Division of the NCAA, measuring the overall success of athletic departments across all sports. Powered by seven programs competing in their respective NCAA championships, Randolph-Macon collected 377.5 points for a 47th place finish (out of more than 430 institutions) in Division III in 2024-25, the best in school history. That mark surpassed last year's previous school-best performance of 270 points for 73rd place.

47th
2024-2025

73rd

2022-2023 2023-2024

117th
2021-2022

RMC MEN'S TEAM RECORDS

Baseball	31-17 NCAA Regionals
Basketball	24-5 (Final ranking #14) NCAA Second Round, ODAC Regular Season Champions
Football	10-2 (Final ranking #18) NCAA Third Round, ODAC Champions
Golf	8th at ODAC Championship
Lacrosse	12-8
Soccer	9-7-2
Swimming	4-4
Tennis	2-14
Volleyball	22-10

RMC WOMEN'S TEAM RECORDS

Basketball	29-2 (Final ranking #12) NCAA Sweet 16, ODAC Champions
Field Hockey	9-8
Golf	2nd at ODAC Championship 20th at NCAA Championship
Lacrosse	14-5
Soccer	11-5-4
Softball	42-14 (Final ranking #4) NCAA DIII College Softball World Series
Swimming	6-2 2nd at ODAC Championship
Tennis	9-7
Volleyball	12-15

TOTAL COMBINED RECORD
246-125-6 (.660 winning percentage)



Gracie Ellis '25 Named NFCA Division III National Pitcher of the Year

The record-breaking career of Gracie Ellis '25 culminated not only in Randolph-Macon Softball's national semifinal appearance, but also recognition as the 2025 Division III National Pitcher of the Year from the National Fastpitch Coaches Association.

Ellis led the nation in games started (36), innings pitched (238.1), shutouts (15), and strikeouts (294). She concludes her career holding every major program record for career pitching at RMC: appearances (130), wins (95), saves (9), strikeouts (959), earned run average (1.26), and shutouts (41).

She was an All-American and First Team All-ODAC selection all four years of her career and earned ODAC Pitcher of the Year honors three times. Her stellar pitching led the Yellow Jackets to consistent excellence, with NCAA Tournament appearances in every year of her career, three Super Regional appearances, and a run to the 2025 national semifinals.

ATHLETICS BY THE NUMBERS

7

NCAA TOURNAMENT BERTHS

3

ODAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

4

NATIONALLY RANKED TEAMS

11

ALL-AMERICANS

Catherine Kagey '25 (Women's Basketball)
McKenzie Matheny '26 (Women's Basketball)
Lilly Hall '28 (Women's Golf)
Morgan Mussatt '27 (Women's Golf)
Mike Allen '26 (Men's Lacrosse)
Cooper Hauser '25 (Men's Lacrosse)
Brodie Kent '26 (Men's Lacrosse)
Will Robertson '27 (Men's Lacrosse)
Grant Sobel '27 (Men's Lacrosse)
Avery Tankersley '25 (Men's Lacrosse)
Gracie Ellis '25 (Softball)

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ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS

Kyle Ihle '25 (Football)
Avery Tankersley '25 (Men's Lacrosse)
Gracie Ellis '25 (Softball)

4

ODAC PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

Lilly Hall '28 (Women's Golf)
Mike Allen '26 (Men's Lacrosse; Defensive)
Gracie Ellis '25 (Softball; Pitcher)
Kody Rogan '26 (Men's Volleyball; Offensive)

4

ODAC COACHES OF THE YEAR

Josh Merkel (Men's Basketball)
Lindsey Burke-Eberhart (Women's Basketball)
Brent Kintzer (Women's Swimming)
Christian Taylor (Men's Volleyball)

3

ODAC ROOKIES OF THE YEAR

CJ Chatterton '28 (Baseball)
Lilly Hall '28 (Women's Golf)
Allison Lach '28 (Women's Volleyball)

20

ALL-REGION HONOREES

84

ALL-ODAC HONOREES

45

ALL-STATE HONOREES

281

ODAC ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM



QUENTIN MANKIN '27

Mankin, who also plays for RMC Football, is a communication studies and political science double-major with a journalism minor. On campus, he has practiced his skills through Randolph-Macon's athletic communications office. This summer, he turned his talent to the Kickers and Ivy at Richmond's City Stadium, producing a variety of written content for the professional and semi-professional soccer teams, which compete in the USL.

Mankin wrote match previews, match recaps, and announcements of player signings, and also got hands-on experience in areas of the operation beyond the communications team. He was part of a street team that engaged with the community, helped operate hospitality areas on match day, recorded statistics to report to the league office during the match, interacted with members of the media, and facilitated interviews with players and coaches.

"I really got to see how a professional sports organization is run," Mankin said. He particularly valued the opportunity to grow as a writer. "The ability to tell a story through words, I think that's something that's really special."

Mankin, the recipient of both the Porter Hardy Jr. Scholarship and the Robert E. Bentz '68 Scholarship, keeps exceptionally busy on campus. In addition to his role as a ball-hawking safety, he is a tour guide, a writing tutor, and a regular presence as staff in the campus store.

Quentin Mankin '27's dream is a career in sports journalism. His RMC experiences, including his summer internship with the Richmond Kickers and Richmond Ivy, are paving the way.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

The 2024-2025 academic year marked a moment of significant transition for Randolph-Macon College, as Robert R. Lindgren passed the torch of the College's presidency to Dr. Michael E. Hill. What remained constant on RMC's campus was a commitment to students' excellence in and out of the classroom, and preparation for successful lives.



» Dr. James M. Doering, Professor of Music, was installed as the Shelton H. Short III Professor in the Liberal Arts and Dr. Mathias Bergmann, Professor of History, was installed as the Isaac Newton Vaughan Professor in History.



The RMC Board of Trustees unanimously selected Dr. Michael E. Hill as the 16th President of Randolph-Macon. Hill joined the College after completing his tenure as the President of Chautauqua Institution.

AUGUST

» RMC's Bachelor's program in Engineering was officially accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, the global accreditor of college and university programs in applied and natural science, computing, engineering, and engineering technology.

OCTOBER

DECEMBER

» Twenty-two students earned their Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies, the first graduate students to complete their degrees at Randolph-Macon College.

FEBRUARY

» Students explored future possibilities, resources, and networking at the Career and Internship Fair, organized by the Edge Career Center.

MARCH



» Featuring a cast and crew of students, alumni, and community members, the beloved *A Christmas Carol* returned to the stage at Randolph-Macon for the first time in nine years.

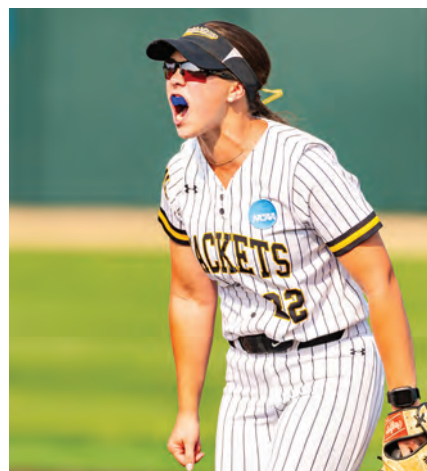


» RMC captured the first-ever **Old Dominion Athletic Conference Men's Volleyball championship**, earning the program's first bid to the NCAA Tournament.



» **297 graduates from the Class of 2025** crossed the stage at Commencement, where President Lindgren served as Commencement Speaker.

RMC Softball concluded a remarkable season at the **NCAA Division III College Softball World Series**, finishing as national semifinalists.



APRIL



Elizabeth Bechtold '28 won the **Individual Novice Flat national championship** at the IHSA National Horse Show.

MAY

JUNE

» The Town of Ashland dedicated a sculpture, titled "Inextricably Linked," on the corner of England Street and Henry Street, to **honor retiring RMC President Robert Lindgren and the special relationship between the town and RMC.**



SPOTSWOOD VILLAGE

Spotswood Village, opened in August 2025, is a new community of apartment-style student residences that adds 64 beds of capacity for a growing institution.

"Spotswood Village is another chapter in the larger story of campus transformation that has occurred over the past 25 years and underscores RMC's commitment to providing excellent facilities to our students," remarked RMC President Dr. Michael E. Hill at the dedication event for the complex.

Each of the four two-story buildings has four apartments and features covered porch spaces. The units, which are occupied by upperclassmen, have four single bedrooms, two bathrooms, a living room, a kitchen, and in-unit laundry.

"While Spotswood Village supports our growing student body by providing high-quality living spaces for students, its impact goes far beyond that," said Student Government Association President Ella Swager '26. "These facilities create opportunities for students to develop life skills, strengthen their community, and transition into independent living."

The new buildings are also a central anchor for the west side of campus along Center Street, between Henry Clay Road and Patrick Street. With infrastructure improvements including a private road (Lindgren Lane), a large parking lot, and a new sidewalk, the west campus buildings and athletic facilities are now more accessible and integrated for walkers and drivers alike.

The project was made possible in part by the generosity of an anonymous donor.



Board of Trustees Chair Sue Schick '84, Buildings & Grounds Committee Chair Earl Johnson '66, President Dr. Michael E. Hill, a friend of the college, Jud Dalton '01, SGA President Ella Swager '26, and Dean of Students Grant Azdell cut the ribbon at the official dedication of Spotswood Village.





STRATEGIC PLAN

Our adaptive strategic planning process, launched in 2023, has set the College on a course to strengthen our historic focus on the post-graduate outcomes of students. In short—how do we enhance and promote RMC’s relentless focus on student success?

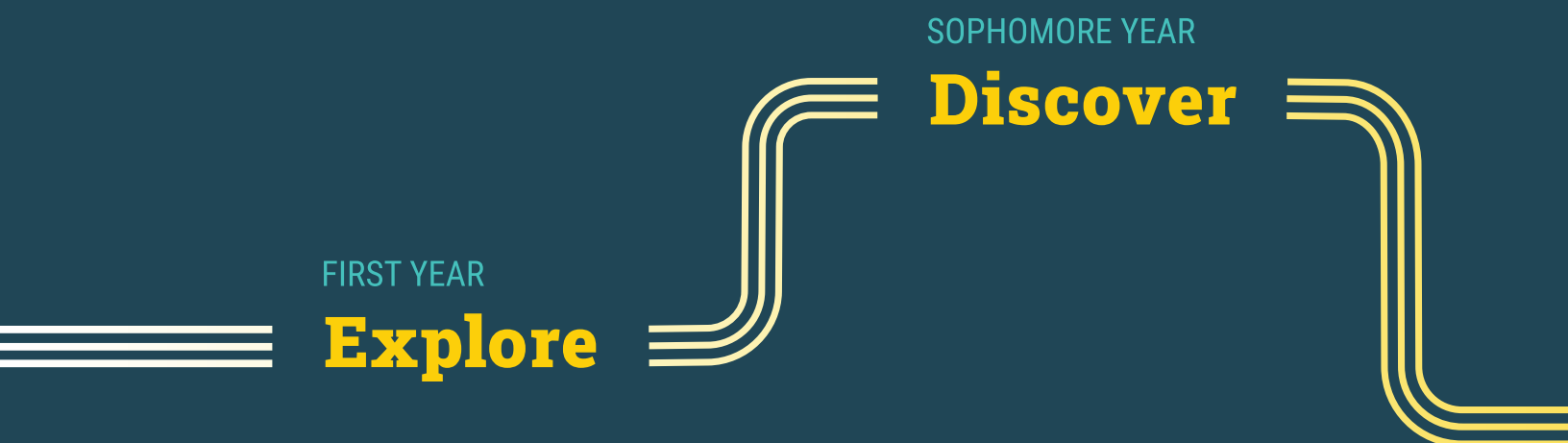
Our answers to this big question are multi-faceted—not just one initiative or effort, but many. Not just one timeline, but a test-and-learn approach to launching programs and projects and then learning from them to improve them along the way.

OUR SIGNATURE OUTCOMES-FOCUSED EFFORT

Four-Year Pathways Program

This ambitious new effort aims to set first-year students on a course that improves their four-year path to graduation and their outcomes once they depart RMC. This is an integrated, institution-wide approach to student success that helps students discern their individual path, take meaningful steps toward career- and future-focused experiences, track progress toward crucial milestones, and translate their learning into post-graduate outcomes that meet their goals.

A pilot begins in Fall 2025 with a cohort of 100 incoming students, in groups of 20, mentored by an Academic Success Advisor. The cohort will have both one-on-one meetings with their advisor, and participate in a two-semester sequence of courses designed to effectively orient students to college and help them establish and activate a meaningful plan for their college experience and beyond.



DATA SCIENCE

Randolph-Macon's newest major/minor prepares students for outstanding outcomes in a field with high demand and enormous impact in the world today. Data science majors will learn to leverage the power of data through computing, visualization, and analytics, with skills in AI and machine learning. Courses began in 2024, and major/minor declarations were approved by the faculty to begin in fall 2025.

In the Randolph-Macon tradition, the curriculum is interdisciplinary, sitting at the intersection of mathematics and computer science with courses taught by professors from numerous departments. The work itself is highly focused on practical applications, featuring opportunities to hear from working scientists and tackle real-world problems. In keeping with RMC's mission, the data science curriculum works to ensure graduates are clear-eyed about the ethical challenges they will surely face in this brave new world awash in data.

SENIOR YEAR

Embark

JUNIOR YEAR

Grow

OTHER STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Summer Online

The 2025 summer terms were expanded with a broader slate of online, asynchronous classes across a wide variety of subject areas. The College invested in professional development for participating faculty for digital pedagogy and course design.

Data Governance

An effort is underway to organize siloed data stored by various offices and departments in a manner to better enable a shared understanding of the Randolph-Macon story, strengthen organizational agility, and support long-term strategic goals.

Athletics and Activities Roadmap

A working group developed a comprehensive report that RMC's leaders (and future leaders) can use as a roadmap to expansion or evolution of the activities outside the classroom that are key to the RMC experience. Their detailed analysis of sixteen enrollment-driving opportunities helps to frame conversation about the costs and benefits of new and expanded programs.



Dean Kesler '62 felt the full benefits of a gift to RMC Nursing when his daughter received expert care from Via Zipp '24, helping to forge a cross-generation bond.

GIVING FULL CIRCLE

Philanthropy is often about paying it forward, but Dr. Dean Kesler '62 recently found himself the beneficiary of his own gifts to support the creation of a nursing program at Randolph-Macon College.

The full-circle impact came when Kesler's daughter Rebecca Laster was a breast cancer patient at Duke University Hospital last fall. She had several hospital stays during a challenging recovery from a mastectomy, and during one of those visits was impressed by a young nurse.

Via Zipp '24 not only had a pleasant bedside manner, but also expertly handled every aspect of administering medicine. Rebecca, who had worked as a veterinarian, recognized a sure and gentle touch.

When Rebecca asked Zipp where she had gone to school, she humbly replied, "in Virginia" and "a little school I'm sure you've never heard of." When pressed, Zipp revealed she graduated from Randolph-Macon, the very college that Rebecca's father had attended over 60 years before—and now generously supports.

As a supporter of both the nursing program at RMC and the construction of Payne Hall, Dr. Kesler, himself an OBGYN doctor for 35 years, had unknowingly attended the pinning ceremony and graduation of an individual now providing care to his daughter.

"I think it is more than a coincidence that this girl came into our family's life," Dr. Kesler reflected. He arranged to meet Zipp on campus last spring, along with Rebecca and Rebecca's daughter Caitlyn '28, who was then a first-year student, closing the circle on a special connection.

"I'm really grateful to Dr. Kesler and his family," Zipp said. "I'm still in touch with them and they're just great people. He'll send me emails all the time, just checking in on how I'm doing and telling me about his adventures."

While never his intention, it is what Dr. Kesler refers to as "the selfishness of giving."

"Sometimes it really does help you personally," Kesler said. "It makes a better place for everybody to live."



NEW ENDOWED FUNDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

We are extremely grateful for the donors who generously created the following endowed funds and scholarships during the 2024–2025 fiscal year.

Endowed Funds

Patricia Sheppard and William T. Franz Family Faculty Development Fund for Physics Endowment

Charles Alan Hudson III Women's Volleyball Endowment

John C. Mayer '67, Ph.D. Endowed Fund for Research Travel

Maria Wornom Rippe Endowed Professorship in Engineering

David A. Vaughn Fund for Travel Abroad

Endowed Scholarships

Richard B. "Randy" Anderson, Jr. Scholarship

Elizabeth W. and L. Preston Bryant, Jr. '86 Scholarship

Kay and Jeffrey Fracher '70 Endowed Scholarship

Randolph-Macon Heritage Scholarship

Bitsy Ihlenfeld '62 Endowed Scholarship Fund

Sarah-Ann Rufe McCallum '96 Scholarship

Anna Gwynn O'Sullivan '25 Endowed Scholarship Fund

Susan P. Quinn '80 Music Scholarship



Susan and Mike Donavant honored their special relationship with Anna O'Sullivan '25 with an endowed scholarship in her name.

ANNA GWYNN O'SULLIVAN '25 ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In the years since her retirement as Executive Director of Alumni Relations at RMC, Susan Donavant and her husband Mike have developed a routine of swimming at the Brock Sports and Recreation Center three mornings each week. During the summer session in 2023, they first met Anna O'Sullivan '25 at the check-in desk.

"Her personality just drew us in," said Mike. "She had never met us before, and we had never met her, and she was just very open to having a conversation before we went to the pool."

Conversations with Anna quickly became a part of the Donavants' routine and the bond between them grew. The couple was impressed by Anna's work ethic; she worked two other jobs on campus all while taking on a double major in communication studies and business. For Anna, who is from Colonial Beach, Va., the Donavants felt like a second family.

One morning, after Susan and Mike shared that they had just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, Anna had an anniversary card and a

gift certificate waiting for them—a small but touching gesture of an intergenerational friendship.

The Donavants felt a desire to return the favor and honor the upcoming graduation of the young woman they'd become close to, who had told them "Randolph-Macon is in my veins." Their solution was a profound gift that will impact students for years to come: a fully endowed scholarship in Anna's name.

"She brought so much joy to our lives and that's something that we're so appreciative of," Mike reflected.

The Donavants paid a surprise visit to the Brock Center, unknowingly on Anna's birthday, to inform her of the gift and ask permission for the use of her name, which she immediately and graciously granted.

"Their heart is so big, and you can see it," Anna said. "It's a huge honor to be thought of like that and to be loved like that."



Dr. Chiru Bhattacharya created The Anustup Bhattacharya Endowed Fund to honor her late brother.



Anustup Bhattacharya

ANUSTUP BHATTACHARYA ENDOWED FUND

The Anustup Bhattacharya Endowed Fund is a tribute that mathematics professor Dr. Chiru Bhattacharya has had in her heart for more than 30 years.

She lost her brother Anustup in 1992 after prolonged mental health struggles, while the pair were both in college. In the years since, she has often ruminated about how to honor his memory and pay tribute to his curious mind.

Growing up in their middle-class Indian household, Anustup had a big tub of wires, batteries, and broken electronics. “Anytime he got a little extra pocket money,” she remembers, smiling, “he would go buy a transistor, or a soldering iron or batteries or something.” He pursued a major in metallurgical engineering at the top-rated India Institute of Technology.

She describes the realization that she could honor him just steps from her office at Randolph-Macon as a connection that seemed “so obvious” as soon as she made it. “I thought Physics and Engineering is right here, on the same floor [in Copley Science Center].”

The endowed fund helps the Department of Physics, Engineering, and Astrophysics with laboratory and research costs for students, to allow them to do the kind of work Bhattacharya says Anustup loved. “He would have enjoyed knowing that somebody else can freely experiment.”

Professor Bhattacharya’s generous contribution was enhanced by friends who joined her in donating to the fund.

After 30 years, Professor Bhattacharya says the fund helps her feel “lighter” in her grief, and she is particularly grateful to be able to see its impact up close in Copley. Though her brother’s college experience unfolded halfway across the world, she feels certain that Randolph-Macon is a place where he would have thrived. His fund helps bring his legacy to life in the physics and engineering labs. And she carries the many lessons his life and death taught her into the classroom as well:

“I’m not just a math professor. I’m teaching humans and they have lives. I don’t know what’s going on in their lives,” she reflects, “But I should be compassionate.”

FACULTY AWARDS

Members of the College's talented and dedicated faculty were honored with Randolph-Macon's most distinguished honors.

Samuel L. Nelson Gray Distinguished Professor Award

The College's highest faculty honor, established by the late Virginia Clark Gray Backus in memory of her husband, an alumnus and former trustee of Randolph-Macon College, is bestowed on a faculty member or senior administrator who has made a distinguished contribution to the College. The awards were announced by President Robert R. Lindgren in April.



Dr. Alisa J. Rosenthal, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, joined the RMC faculty in 2019. During her time at RMC, she has overseen the accreditation of the College's programs in physician assistant studies, nursing, and engineering. Additionally, she has successfully focused on the recruitment and retention of faculty from historically underrepresented groups and led RMC's agile model of strategic planning. President Lindgren praised her as "a tireless advocate for RMC's faculty, staff, and students."



Dr. Joan L. Connors, the Charles J. Potts Professor of Social Sciences, joined the RMC faculty in 2003. She was a founding member of the Department of Communication Studies, which she now chairs. She is recognized by students as a skilled teacher and accomplished scholar, with expertise in political cartoons. President Lindgren praised her service to the College, in longstanding roles like the chair of the Committee on Assemblies and Special Events, and in more recent work as Faculty Representative to the Cabinet and a representative to the Presidential Search and Strategic Planning committees.



Dr. Deonna Woolard, Professor of Physics and Engineering, joined the RMC faculty in 1999. Over twenty-six years of dedicated service, she has earned a reputation as an able administrator, an accomplished educator, and an exceptional advisor to students inside and outside her core discipline. President Lindgren noted her recent stewardship of the accreditation of the new engineering program as an example of her success as a team player and department chair, saying, "much of her work happens behind the scenes and her colleagues salute her profound selflessness in pursuing it in that manner."

Thomas Branch Award for Excellence in Teaching

The Thomas Branch Award is a student-selected honor presented to faculty members. Its selection is based on the nominations and then votes of the RMC senior class. The awards were announced by Provost Alisa J. Rosenthal in April.



Dr. Bart Natoli, Professor of Classics, joined the RMC faculty in 2014. He serves as the chair of the Department of Classics and is known as an effective and organized teacher who works hard to engage students in class and in outside research. Provost Rosenthal noted that students call his courses “exciting to attend” and highlighted the ways in which his teaching supports student learning across all their classes.



Dr. Brittany Freelin, Assistant Professor of Criminology, joined the faculty in 2022. She teaches a wide breadth of courses and is a prodigious researcher. “In short, over the last three years, Dr. Brittany Freelin has established herself as a dedicated teacher, a tremendous scholar, and a stalwart community servant, who has the confidence of her students and her colleagues alike,” remarked Rosenthal.



The United Methodist Church Exemplary Teacher of the Year Award

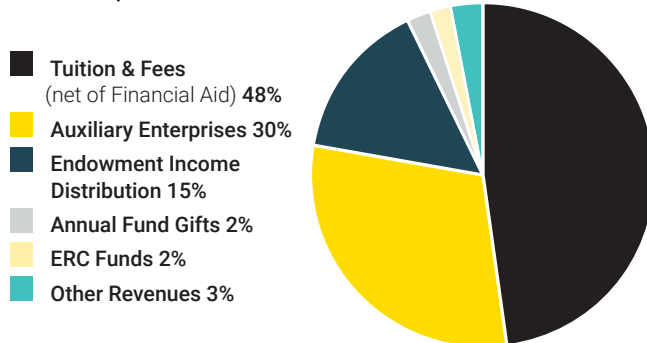
The United Methodist Exemplary Teacher Award is awarded to a faculty member who demonstrates excellence in teaching, civility, and concern for students and colleagues; commitment to value-centered education; and service to students, the institution, and the community.

Dr. Chiru Bhattacharya, Associate Professor of Mathematics, joined the RMC faculty in 2003. She has taught 17 separate courses, including interdisciplinary first-year experience and honors courses, and recently designed and stewarded a new interdisciplinary major in Data Science. In presenting her award, President Lindgren said her students describe “Dr. B” as easy to talk to and praise her thoroughness in explaining concepts and using examples.

FINANCIAL REPORT

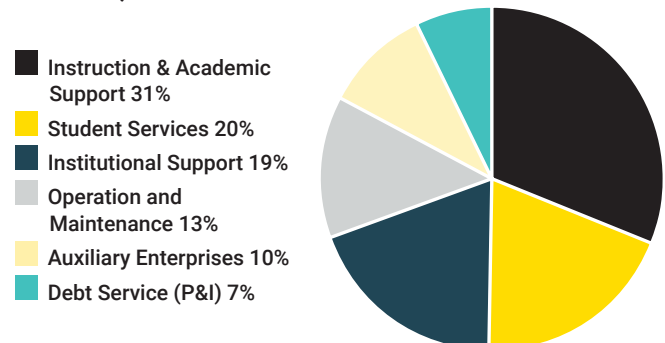
Randolph-Macon's operating revenues exceeded operating expenses for the 46th year in a row. Overall enrollment increased for the second consecutive year. A balanced budget was made possible by a combination of support from our Board of Trustees, alumni, and friends of the College and close management of our departmental budgets.

SOURCES OF CURRENT FUND REVENUES June 30, 2025



OPERATING REVENUE:
\$62.9 MILLION

CURRENT FUND EXPENSE CATEGORIES June 30, 2025



OPERATING EXPENSES:
\$61.2 MILLION

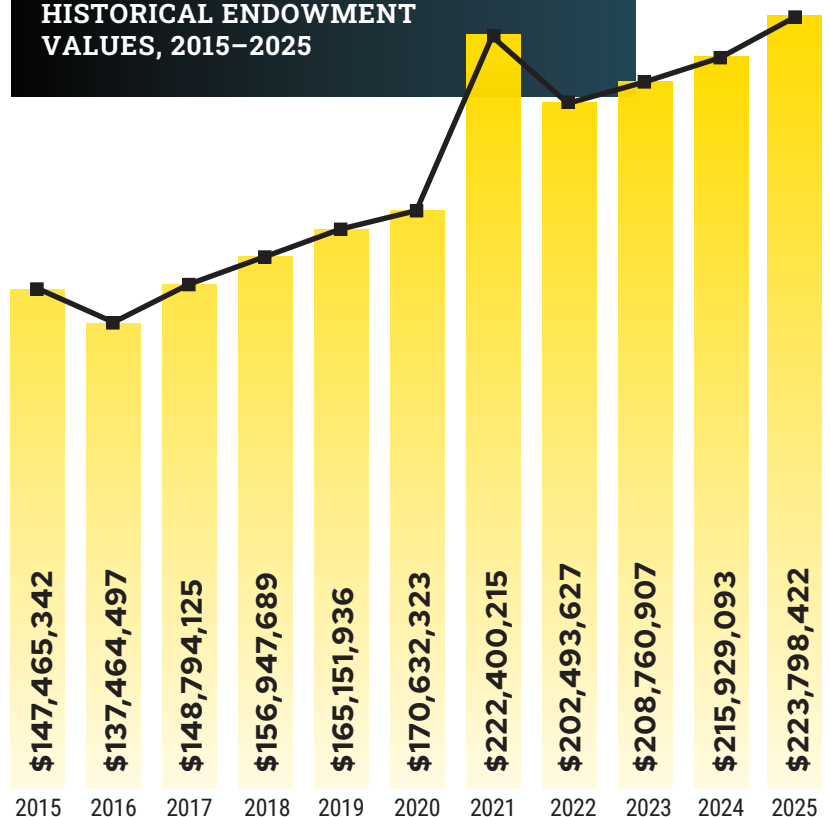
CAPITAL PROJECTS INCLUDE:

- » Construction of four apartment-style student residences—Spotswood Village—each housing 16 students
- » Renovation of Conrad Hall and Moreland Hall, including new flooring, new furniture, and enhanced HVAC systems
- » Renovation of entrance to the Brock Recreation Center
- » Upgrades to Crenshaw Gymnasium welcome area
- » Addition of 150 parking spaces to support enrollment growth
- » Modernization of elevator in Copley Hall
- » HVAC replacement in Ragland-Henry House
- » HVAC controls replacement in Smithey
- » Copley cooling tower enhancements
- » New ceiling and LED lighting in Peele Hall
- » Upgrades to computer lab classrooms, network infrastructure, and audio/visual systems in various campus areas

RMC'S CONTINUED FINANCIAL STRENGTHS INCLUDE:

- » A Standard and Poor's A Stable rating
- » Annual fund giving of \$1.3 million
- » A trailing five-year return of 7.9% for the College's endowment

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE HISTORICAL ENDOWMENT VALUES, 2015–2025



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