What is the typical daily schedule?
• 8:15 – 9:00 am Breakfast
• 9:15-12:15pm Morning Learning Modules
• 12:30 – 1:30 pm Lunch
• 1:15 – 4:15 pm Afternoon Learning Modules
• 5:45 – 6:30 pm Dinner
• 7 – 9:00 pm Evening Modules/Studio Time
• 10 pm – Midnight Social Activities in the dorm
• Midnight – Room Check/Lights Out

*Adjustments may be made for program specific activities. The university reserves the right to change course content, schedules, or to make other changes deemed necessary or desirable.

Dress code: Bring light, casual clothing. Clothing should be neat, comfortable and modest. No bare mid-riffs or backs are permitted. No undergarments may be visible at any time. Shirts and shoes must be worn at all times. Students who do not follow these guidelines will be asked to change clothes before going to class.

The academic spaces and residence halls are air conditioned so warmer attire, such as a sweater or jacket, is recommended.

What should I bring?
• Comfortable walking shoes – Students will be doing a good deal of walking around campus. You will be walking to and from meals, classes, etc. as well as on course specific field trips.
• Linens for an extra-long (80” long) single bed
• A pillow and pillow case
• Blanket and/or bedspread
• Mattress pad
• Umbrella and/or raincoat
• Toiletries
• Towels, wash cloths and soap
• Tissues
• Alarm clock
• Iron
• Hairdryer
• Bedside lamp (halogen lamps are not allowed)
• Hangers for your clothes
• Flashlight (For use in case of a power failure. A very rare occurrence.)
• Prescription medications and any necessary over the counter medications such as aspirin, ibuprofen, allergy medication, etc.
• Laundry detergent and change (quarters) for the machines
• Change for vending machines
• Cell phone or a phone card – cell phones are to be turned off during all program activities
• Optional: TV (if you want to get cable stations you will need to bring a coax cable. Your TV needs to have a QAM tuner to pick up our channels. Once you plug it in, you’ll need to scan for new channels to pick them up.)
• Optional: microwave, refrigerator, floor fans (although all rooms are air conditioned)
• Optional: DVDs of your favorite movies for watching in the dorm
• Snacks (e.g., popcorn, chips, bottled water, etc.)
• Band-Aids in case you get a blister due to the walking around the campus.
• Sunscreen for Weekend Art Adventures and/or field trips
• Shower shoes (optional)
• A trashcan for your room
• A deck of playing cards or games you enjoy
• A refillable water bottle. It is very hot and humid in Richmond during July.
• A bathing suit to use on your field trips, if appropriate.
• A small amount of cash in case you want to stop by the coffee shop, buy snacks, order a pizza, buy souvenirs, etc.

2-D and 3-D students need to bring:
• Large Hot glue gun with plenty of hot glue sticks
• Utility knife
• Needle-nose pliers
• Scissors
• Safety glasses (not tinted, and not goggles)
• Dust masks with the exhale valve diaphragm
• Sharpie markers
• Several 2” chip brushes
• Plastic containers for mixing (2.5 quart and 1 quart)
• Wood Glue
• Reusable Rubber gloves
• A couple old rags
• Sketch book
• 1” blue painters tape
• Exacto knife with extra blades
• Small pair of wire cutters
• Box cutter with extra blades 100 pk of blades
• 24” steel ruler
• Tape measurer 12ft at least in length
• Compass (optional)
• Ebony Pencil
• Graphite sticks 2B & 6B
• 2 Charcoal pencils (medium and soft)
• Compressed charcoal (soft)
• Vine charcoal (soft)
• Bamboo brush (medium to large size)
• Medium sized paint brush (10 or 12)
• India ink
• Conte crayons (white, sienna)
• Drawing board with clips (must be larger than the drawing pad, and can be purchased or made yourself)
• 18 x 24” white drawing paper pad
• 18 x 24” newsprint pad
• Sketchbook (size variable)
• Large portfolio (big enough to carry your drawing board)
• Kneaded eraser
• Magic Rub eraser
• Pencil Sharpener
• Blue painter’s tape
• 18” metal ruler
• Supply storage (rolling storage or back pack)

Special Note: **Valuables - VCU will not assume responsibility for any lost or damaged items, therefore recommends that no valuable items such as expensive jewelry be brought with you. Be certain to lock your dorm rooms at all times. Students are encouraged to bring a small amount of money and a CC or Debit card for personal expenses and souvenirs, as well as throughout the program.**