



September 1st, 2026

Dear Student,

The Society of Women Engineers at the University of Virginia invites you to apply to our **Engineering Futures Day program held on Sunday, October 18th, 2026**. The program gives high school students a comprehensive look at the engineering field as well as UVA's engineering curriculum through the lens of our women engineers. Students will spend the day guided by current UVA School of Engineering & Applied Science students through pioneering speakers, tours of NSF funded labs, hands-on design activities, and much more.

While the program is designed to benefit participants with all levels of engineering experience, we particularly target those students who are not yet familiar with the field but may be interested in applying to engineering schools or pursuing engineering careers. Furthermore, our spring session is a fantastic opportunity for high school juniors and seniors to explore if UVA Engineering is the right fit for them before applying or deciding which university to attend in the fall.

The Fall 2026 session will take place in-person on October 18th at UVA's Charlottesville campus with **an application deadline of October 2nd at 11:59pm**. The application and selection criteria can be found on the SWE@UVA website: <https://www.virginiaswe.org/efd>. Thanks to our generous donors and volunteers, this event will be free of charge for all participants.

The application is already open. Acceptances will be sent out no later than October 5th at 11:59pm, with student confirmation and commitment forms due by October 9th at 11:59pm.

Please contact us with any and all questions you may have or refer to our website. Thank you for your time and we hope to hear from you soon!

Sincerely,

Madison Nally and Taylor Thomas
Engineering Futures Day Co-Chairs, SWE @ UVA

Why should I apply?

Engineering Futures Day is a full-day, immersive learning experience typically hosted at the beautiful engineering Grounds of the University of Virginia. Through a mix of student and faculty speakers, interactive engineering design sessions, ground tours, and other fun activities, you will learn about the incredible opportunities available for students in the field of engineering while meeting fellow high school students from all over the state.



You will be closely interacting with current UVA engineering students throughout the entire day, so the event is also a great chance to learn more about the undergraduate experience and get advice on college applications. If you want to see UVA beyond the tour of Grounds, then Engineering Futures Day is for you!

Testimonials

"[My group leaders] were very sweet and gave a very honest review of UVA. They were very helpful in providing information about UVA and the engineering school. They were all amazing and kind leaders, and I was glad I got them to show me UVA engineering!"

"[My group leaders] were AMAZING!! Very fun and interactive. Also, super friendly and just comfortable and felt safe to be with during the whole program. Thank you to all of them! :)"