

Vision 2039 In Motion



“Vision 2039 is a series of efforts and initiatives to move VMI to the future...it builds upon the wonderful traditions and fundamentals that VMI is known for.”

- VMI Superintendent General J.H. Binford Peay III

About VISION 2039:

Vision 2039 is not a construction plan; it is a leadership plan that seeks to improve all aspects of the VMI experience: academic, military, physical/ cultural, and athletic. However, construction of new facilities and the renovations of older buildings on Post are essential components of Vision 2039 all the same. They provide the foundation for excellent programs. They encourage pride and set standards that impact the thinking and attitudes of cadets.

Just as the proud traditions and history of VMI influence the culture of the Corps of Cadets, so too do the physical facilities in which the Corps lives, learns, trains, and competes. Indeed, the unique architectural flavor of the VMI Post helps set the tone for all that happens on it and communicates the extraordinary expectations that the Commonwealth of Virginia and the nation have for cadets and for the Institute itself.

The facilities necessary to provide an education that thoroughly prepares cadets to meet the challenges of the 21st century are far more complex than they were in 1839. Vision 2039 aims to maintain the historic atmosphere of the Post as it develops the modern, technologically advanced facilities that VMI needs to prepare cadets for lives of success, service, and leadership.



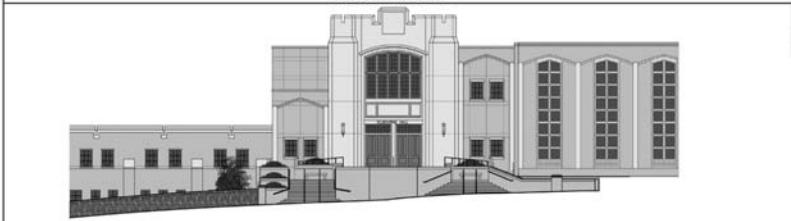
▲ GRAY-MINOR STADIUM
CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP & ETHICS ▼



ALUMNI MEMORIAL FIELD AT FOSTER STADIUM ▼ CROZET HALL ▲



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VISION 2039 OVERVIEW:

The focus of **Vision 2039** is the cadet. Each of its initiatives is targeted squarely at **crafting a four-year journey** that produces young men and women of **character** to **LEAD AND SERVE OUR NATION** in times of peace and peril.



The Virginia Military Institute



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YOUTH'S PRESSING UP THE HILLS
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...HONOR TO OUR COUNTRY AND OUR
...TRIBUTE TO THEIR INSTRUCTORS AND FAIR
...ATTACHED TO THEIR NATIVE STATE
...READY IN EVERY TIME OF DEEPEST PERIL
...HONOR OR DEFEND HER RIGHTS
...T L. PRESTON



This Is The Virginia Military Institute

THE INSTITUTE:

The Virginia Military Institute is the nation's oldest state-supported military college, founded in 1839 in Lexington, Va., located at the southern end of the Shenandoah Valley. VMI offers qualified young men and women a demanding combination of academic study and rigorous military training that exists nowhere else, and grants B.A. and B.S. degrees in 14 disciplines within the general fields of engineering, science, and liberal arts. The Institute's emphasis on qualities of honor, integrity, and responsibility contributes to its unique educational philosophy. Professional leadership training is provided to all cadets through the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) programs, maintained at VMI by the Department of Defense. Cadets are encouraged to pursue commissions in the U.S. Army, Air Force, Navy, or Marine Corps.

In every field of endeavor, whether it's leadership in business, industry, public service, education, the professions, or careers in the military, success comes early to a high number of VMI graduates. In an independent survey of college graduates seeking employment, armed forces commission, or admission to graduate or professional school following graduation, more than 95 percent of VMI graduates met their goal by the following October.

VMI's academic breadth is diverse. The curricula for the selected major begins the first year. About 40 percent of cadets major in civil, electrical, or mechanical engineering, about half the Corps majors in liberal arts fields, and the two most popular majors are economics/business and history.

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ALUMNI:

VMI's alumni support is unparalleled in many ways, especially in terms of financial support. In the most recent survey by the National Association of College and University Business Officers VMI's endowment is the largest per student of any public institution.

VMI alumni include Nobel Prize winner George C. Marshall; ten Rhodes Scholars; and 40 college presidents. VMI alumni have distinguished themselves in every American conflict since the Mexican War, among them 7 Medal of Honor recipients, and 265 general and flag officers.

THE VMI CORPS OF CADETS:

Today 1,400 young men and women in the VMI Corps of Cadets represent 45 states and nine foreign countries. More than 100 study abroad each year, one-third compete in intercollegiate athletics, and all have significant leadership opportunities.

All cadets reside in "Barracks," the centerpiece of the VMI "Post." The original structure was built in 1850 and is a National Historic Landmark. An additional wing was added in 1949. A third section is currently under construction, with cadets expected to take up residence during the 2008-09 academic year.

VMI cadets uphold an honor system as old as the Institute. An oath of honor is taken by each cadet to "not lie, cheat, or steal, nor tolerate those who do," and the oath is practiced in daily life. Because it is basic to cadet life, honor is ingrained, and builds strong character. Honor is the cornerstone of every cadet's lifelong commitment to integrity, duty, self-discipline, and self-reliance.

One of the oldest VMI traditions is the orientation and instruction provided to new cadets by old cadets. Regardless of background or prior training, every cadet in his or her first year at VMI is a "Rat," and each is a "Brother Rat" to the other. They live under the "Rat System" until "Break Out," and their bonds formed by this experience are lifelong.

MAJORS and DEGREES:

VMI offers the baccalaureate degree in 14 curricula. The B.S. is awarded in applied mathematics, chemistry, civil engineering, computer science, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, and physics. The B.A. is conferred in economics and business, English, history, international studies, modern languages, and psychology. The B.S. or B.A. can be earned in biology. A course of study leading to the B.S. or B.A. is chosen upon entering VMI, but transfer from one major field of study to another is permitted.



2007-08 Season Recap

Entering the 2007-08 campaign, head coach John Trudgeon knew that he could count on several experienced veterans in his lineup, but figured that the production he received from several fresh faces would tell the story of the team's success.

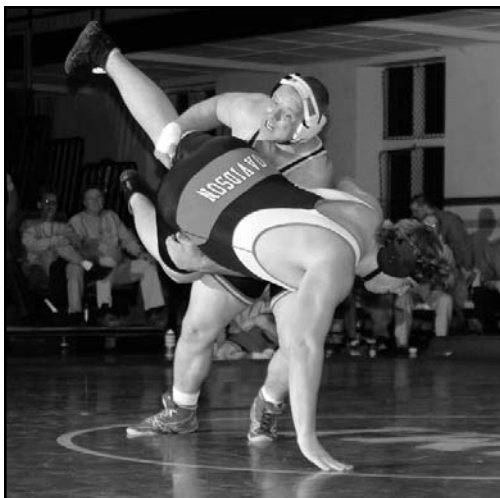
That proved to be an accurate assessment.

Of the team's five athletes with double-digit wins a year ago, four were seniors, while the other was a freshman. Leading the way in the wins department for the Keydets were fifth-year senior David Metzler (25-15) and seniors Tyler Anthony (21-10), Dustin McCabe (17-19) and Jeremy Adams (16-16).

The team's freshman class, meanwhile, experienced their share of growing pains throughout the season, but that's not to say there weren't several highlights. Chief among them was the run by rookie heavyweight Josh Wine, who became VMI's first freshman Southern Conference champion in four seasons. Wine then went on to the NCAA National Championships in St. Louis and won his first match before losing to eventual national champion Dustin Fox of Northwestern. Wine wrapped up the year by being named to the Amateur Wrestling News All-Rookie First Team, staking a claim to the title of nation's top freshman heavyweight.

Other highlights of the campaign came in individual titles for Anthony at the Pembroke Classic (133 lbs.) and Leon Barrow at the Davidson Open (285 lbs.). The season also saw Metzler post a team-leading 25 wins, giving him 77 in his career to move into the top 20 on VMI's career wins listing.

One of the most lasting impressions of the season was the farewell of senior Tommy Cunningham (pictured below). One of the most well-rounded cadet-athletes to come through the program in recent years, Cunningham cut short his senior campaign to undergo season-ending surgery during the winter furlough in order to prepare for his commissioning into the U.S. Air Force upon his graduation. The result was an emotional farewell on Dec. 7, 2007, when he won his final match for his 75th career victory, placing him into the top 20 in VMI's career wins charts.



Josh Wine became VMI's first Southern Conference heavyweight champion in nine years last season, then went on to post a win in his NCAA Championship debut.



2007-08 Southern Conference Placemen

Champion

Josh Wine Fr. 285 lbs.

3rd Place

David Metzler R-Sr. 141 lbs.

4th Place

Tyler Anthony Sr. 133 lbs.

Tommy Cunningham '08 wrestled the final match of his career on Dec. 7, 2007, winning a 9-2 decision against Gardner-Webb's Brendan Couture. Cunningham underwent season-ending surgery shortly thereafter, putting a premature end to his VMI Wrestling career to prepare for his upcoming commissioning into the Air Force. He graduated with 75 career wins, ranking him among the top 20 in VMI Wrestling history.



2007-08 Statistics

Statistics

Name	Class	Wt.	Overall	Dual	SoCon	Tourn.	Major	Technical	Dual Pts.	
			W - L	W - L	W - L	W - L	Decision	Falls	Pins	By Against
Jeremy Adams	Sr.	125	16-16	7-2	2-2	9-14				30 12
Gene Allgood	R-Fr.	141,149	1-3	0-2		1-1				0 6
Tyler Anthony	Sr.	133,141	21-10	8-3	3-0	13-7	1		2	28 9
Leon Barrow	Jr.	285	9-9	3-3	0-3	6-6				12 9
Vince Cole	Sr.	149, 157	3-14	0-4	0-1	3-9		1		0 19
Tommy Cunningham	Sr.	157,165	8-2	4-0		4-2	1		3	12 0
Andrew Dionne	Fr.	149	1-7	0-3	0-1	1-4				0 15
Ronnie Ellsworth	Fr.	197	4-21	1-11	0-4	3-10				6 46
Brandon Franklin*	So.	157	10-2			10-2		1	3	
Ryan Goodsell	Fr.	133	9-15	3-5	1-3	6-10			3	9 20
Jayne Gordon	Fr.	165	9-17	4-5	2-2	5-12	1		6	24 20
Sharif Gray	Fr.	133	6-9	2-1		4-8			1	9 4
Ross Harris	Fr.	125	2-7	0-1		2-6			1	0 5
John Held	Fr.	149	5-19	1-7	0-4	4-12				6 23
Jon Horne	So.	165,174	0-9	0-5	0-1	0-4				0 25
Lance Long	So.	125	0-4	0-2		0-2				0 6
Dustin McCabe	Sr.	174,184	17-19	8-6	3-2	9-13	3	1	2	29 20
David Metzler	R-Sr.	149,157	25-15	8-6	2-3	17-9	6		7	31 22
Curtis Moore	Fr.	184,197	10-20	1-10	0-5	9-10	1		1	3 37
Johnathan Pope*	R-So.	125	3-6			3-6			2	
Josh Wine	Fr.	285	9-4	4-1	2-0	5-3	1		4	22 4
Dual Forfeits			0-8	0-8	0-4					0 48
Totals			168-236	54-85	15-35	114-150	14	4	38	221 350

*- Wrestling only as Unattached

Individual Results

Pembroke Classic

Nov. 10-- Pembroke, N.C.

1st	Tyler Anthony	133 lbs.
1st	Brandon Franklin	157 lbs.
4th	Dustin McCabe	174 lbs.
6th	Jeremy Adams	125 lbs.

Keystone Classic

Nov. 17-- Philadelphia, Pa.

5th	Tommy Cunningham	157 lbs.
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Davidson Open

Dec. 1-- Davidson, N.C.

1st	Leon Barrow	285 lbs.
3rd	Curtis Moore	184 lbs.

Virginia Intercollegiates

Jan. 5-- Charlottesville, Va.

3rd	Curtis Moore	184 lbs.
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All-Academy Championships

Feb. 2-- West Point, N.Y.

3rd	David Metzler	141 lbs.
4th	Tyler Anthony	133 lbs.
4th	Dustin McCabe	174 lbs.

Southern Conference Championships

Mar. 8-- Chattanooga, Tenn.

1st	Josh Wine	285 lbs.
3rd	David Metzler	141 lbs.
4th	Tyler Anthony	133 lbs.

Dual Meet Results

Nov. 3- VMI 16, Anderson 13

Nov. 3- VMI 28, Wagner 18

Nov. 3- Virginia 42, VMI 3

Dec. 7- VMI 21, Gardner-Webb 16

Jan. 12- VMI 21, Campbell 14

Jan. 12- George Mason 29, VMI 12

Jan. 16- UNC Greensboro 33, VMI 12

Jan. 22- The Citadel 28, VMI 10

Jan. 25- VMI 28, Davidson 10

Feb. 8- #19 Chattanooga 41, VMI 3

Feb. 13- VMI 39, Delaware State 12

Feb. 16- Duke 22, VMI 12

Feb. 17- Appalachian State 42, VMI 4

Feb. 22- Liberty 30, VMI 12

