

SUMMIT OBJECTIVES

1. Bring together stakeholders in Virginia to focus on increasing funding for research at Virginia's Colleges and Universities
2. Strengthen public understanding of Virginia's research dollars from federal, state, and private sources compared to other states
3. Showcase strengths of private/public partnerships between universities and the private sector in Virginia
4. Provide information from the private sector, perhaps focusing on cyber and biotech, for universities to better learn how to procure academic research funding from them
5. Provide Virginia's stakeholders information about the importance of "best practices" in issues pertaining to intellectual property

Draft Agenda: Virginia Higher Education Research Summit

**June 9, 2014
Omni Hotel, Richmond**

- 8:00 – 8:30 am: Continental Breakfast and Registration
- 8:30 – 8:35 am: Greetings and Introduction of Secretary of Education
- 8:35 – 8:45 am: Remarks and Introduction of Governor
- 8:45 – 9:00 am: **Kickoff Address** by Governor McAuliffe
- 9:00 – 10:30 am: **Panel I: Virginia’s Research Portfolio**
Highlight current state of research, existing or emerging strengths, outcomes and results, and potential opportunities.
- 10:30 – 10:45 am: Break and Networking
- 10:45 am – 12:15 pm: **Panel II: Public-Private Partnerships Case Studies**
Profile successful collaborations in which state, corporate and federal dollars are involved to create economic development outcomes.
- 12:15 – 1:30 pm: Lunch (with remarks from distinguished speaker)
- 1:30 – 2:45 pm: **Panel III: Commercialization, Market Demand**
Presentation and discussion of market demand and what sectors present the best opportunity for Virginia research efforts. Presenters include corporate, non-profit and federal and state agencies that are engaged in proof-of-concept funding, academic R&D-related commercialization, and intellectual-property policy and practice.
- 2:45 – 3:00 pm: Break and Networking
- 3:00 – 3:45 pm: **Participant Dialogue**
Facilitated discussion: what does Virginia need to do to amplify results from its research capabilities that will increase academic R&D activity and improve the economic base in all regions of the Commonwealth?
- 3:45 – 4:15 pm: **Call to Action**
Call for a long-term strategy for generating more basic, applied, and translational research to produce more economic development for the Commonwealth.
- 4:15 – 4:30 pm: **Perspective**
Remarks from Council member and summit chair Joann DiGennaro