

Council of Graduate Schools New Deans Institute '07

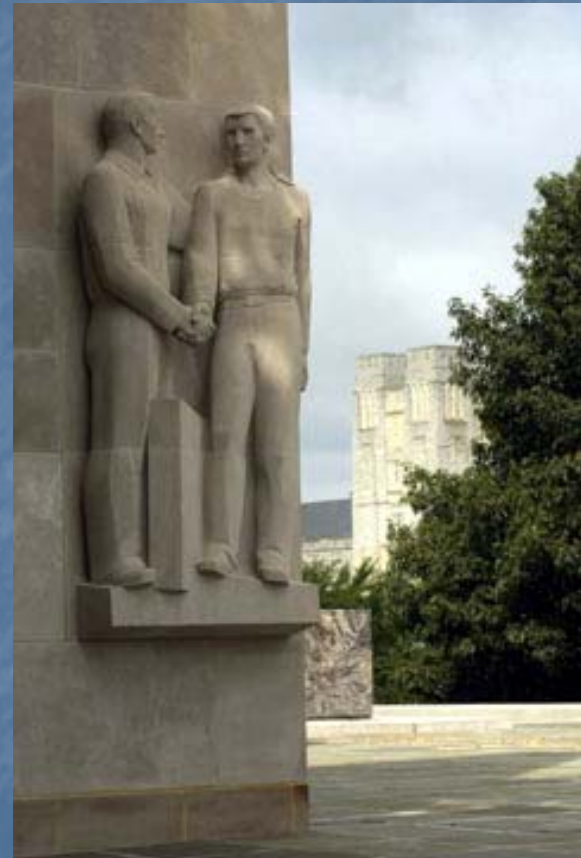
Governance & Organization: Reflections from Virginia Tech

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About Virginia Tech

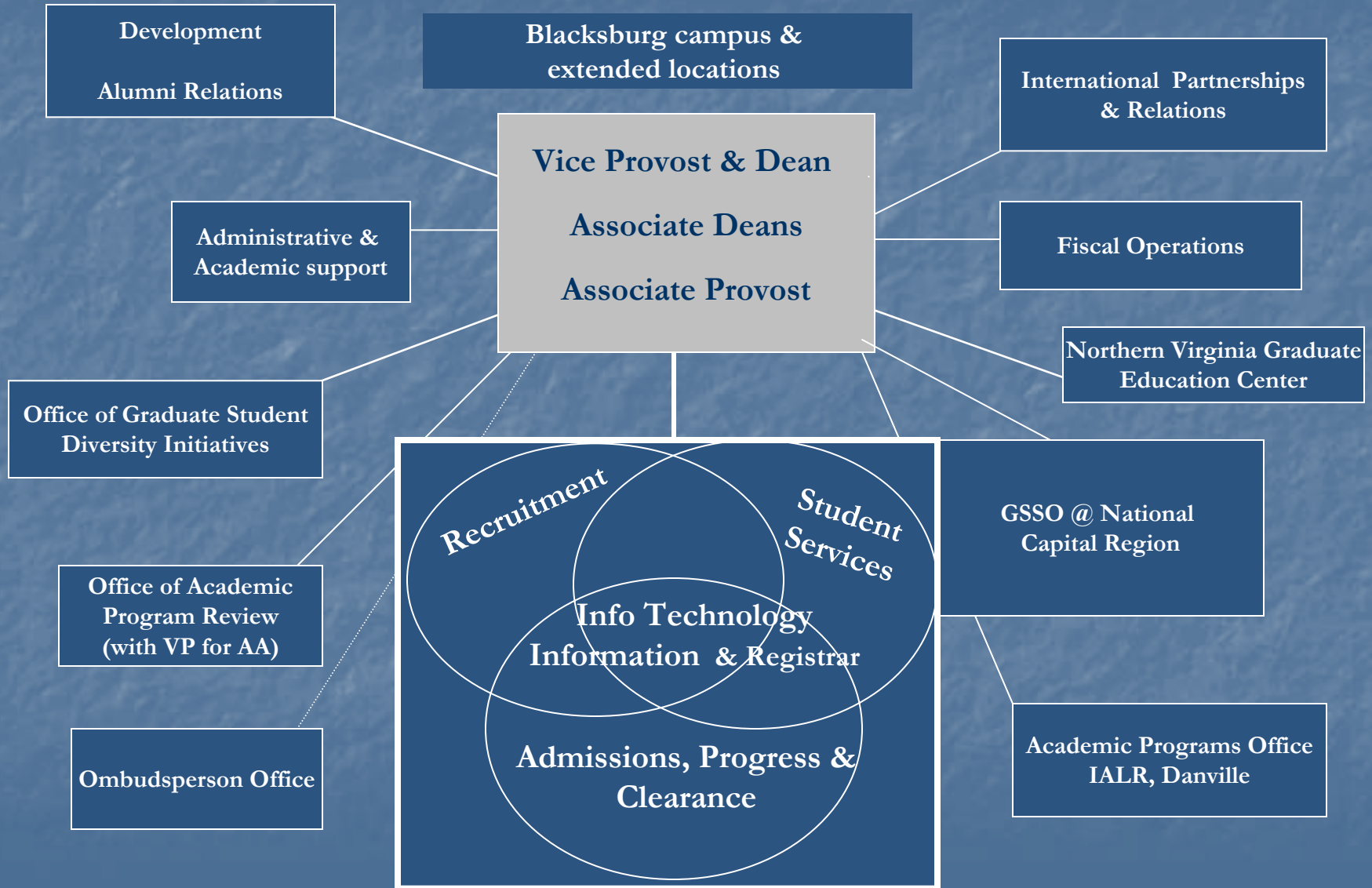
- Founded in 1872 as a land-grant college
- Research public university with the largest full-time student population in Virginia
- Main campus in rural southwest Virginia; 5 extended locations throughout Virginia; 5 international centers
- 6111 graduate students;
 - 3,662 masters
 - 2449 doctoral
 - 26% are international and represent 98 countries
- 8 Colleges & Graduate School



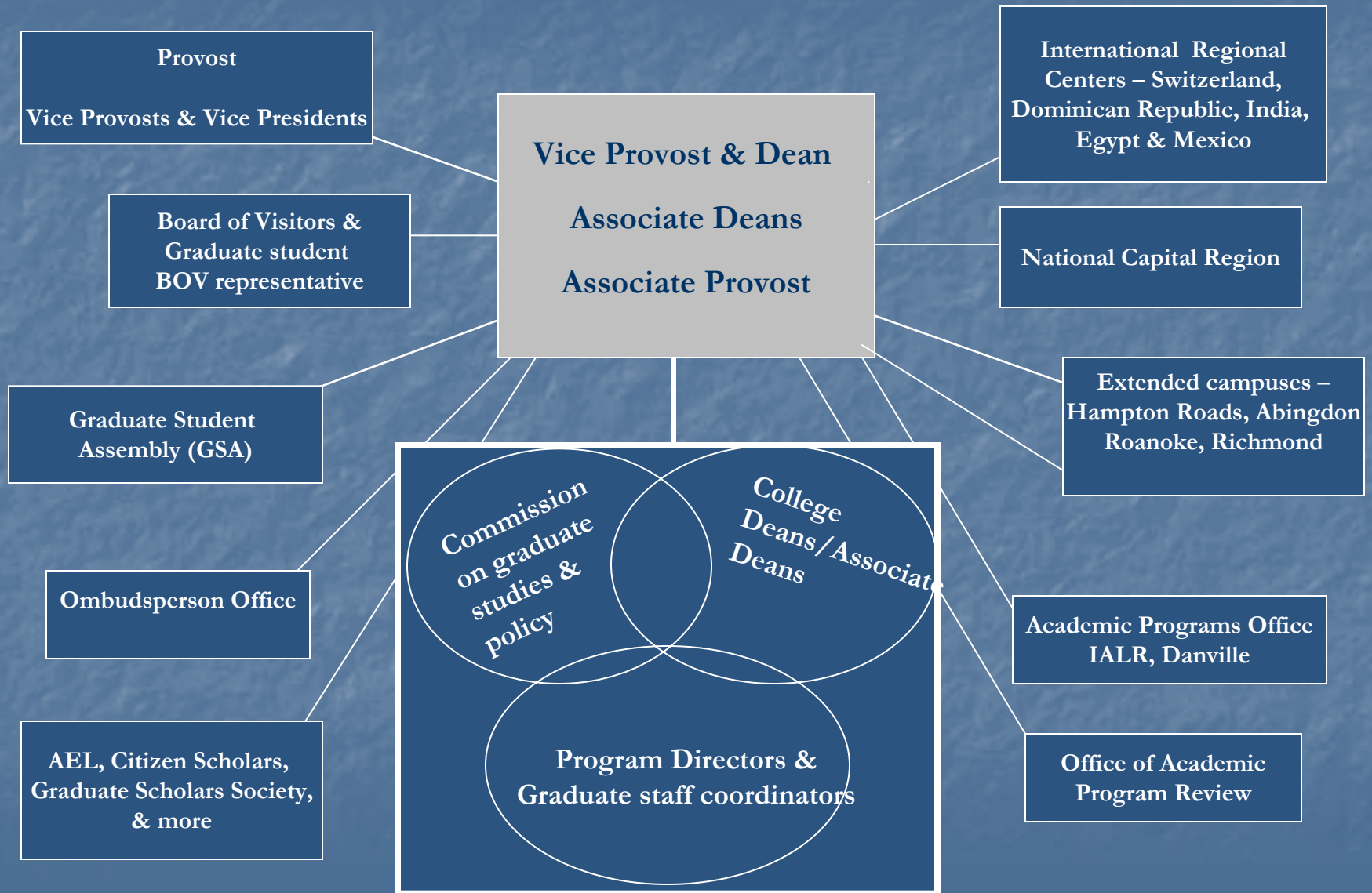
VT Graduate School

- Graduate education through university system: extended campuses; international centers, distance delivery
- Numerous functions & operations (CGS booklet)
- 43 + employees
- Administrative approach: flattened hierarchy; teams & back-up; multiple work stations

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Connections to graduate students, faculty, and academic leadership



Newer & Emerging Responsibilities

- Strong & Active Student Services (GLC)
- Information Technology – “going digital” and support “in house”
- Development & Fundraising
- Alumni Relations
- Ombudsperson office
- Facilities: NVC, Graduate Life Center, GLC plaza/amphitheatre and cobble stone cafe

Evolving roles & opportunities

- Academic programs & opportunities: TGE - Future Professoriate, Citizen Scholars, GEDI, Career Professionals, RCR
- International partnerships and programs; global perspectives
- Institutional Plan for Graduate Degrees (IPGD)
- Graduate Student Diversity Initiatives – academic programs
- Building Graduate Community

Evolving functions

- Communication & Public Relations
- Staff development
- Work-life balance issues
- Crisis intervention & management
Preparing for the Ne(x)t generations
& the university for the 21st century
- Social responsibility