

THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES

GLOBAL STUDENT LEADERS PROGRAM

The CALS Global Student Leaders
Program is for students eager to tackle
complex issues in agriculture, food
security, climate change, and health in
a global context and prepare for the
workforce.

<u>Application deadline:</u> <u>DECEMBER 7, 2025</u>

For more information, contact:

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WHO

- Undergraduates with at least three semesters at VT
- Transfer students who have completed at least one semester at VT
- CALS Majors preferred but not required

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

- 5 in-person learning and collaboration sessions
- Learn about the Sustainable Development Goals
- Develop solutions to tackle complex global challenges
- Build leadership and indemand skills





Important Dates

Information sessions*: Oct 14, Oct 20,

<u>Dec 3, 12pm - 1:30pm</u>

*Requires registration at link provided

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Application

Complete and submit the online application

Requires letter of recommendation from one Virginia Tech faculty

member.

Program Highlights

NETWORK



Make new friends with mutual interests and connect with leaders in global fields.

MENTORSHIP



Develop a mentor-mentee relationship with experienced professionals.



TRIP TO DC

Participate in a trip to Washington, DC to interact with international organizations.



2026 SCHEDULE

22 FEB

3:00PM-7:30 PM

SESSION 1 - INTRODUCTIONS & GETTING STARTED

Introductions, program layout and expectations, participatory schedule review and adjustments, and dinner

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

SESSIONS 2 - 5: SKILL BUILDING & TRAINING

Complex problem definition tools, systems thinking, leadership development, and solution development for SDGs.

FEB 25 MAR 18 APR 1 APR 15

23-24 APR

CAPSTONE TRIP TO WASHINGTON, DC

Meet key partners and industry leaders, gain exposure to pressing global issues, advice on careers and leadership.

5:00 PM - 7:30 PM

FINAL PRESENTATIONS & AWARD DINNER

Team presentations for invited audience of industry leaders. Award for wining teams and certificate presentations. 27 APR

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