

# Development Pipeline Program

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY



### The "Why"

- Needs:
  - ► Meet the local demand for well-trained fundraisers
  - Diversifying the field VCU's diverse student populations
  - Offer undergraduate education in fundraising in the area



#### Best practices research:

- Frameworks:
  - Adrian Sargeant fundraising curriculum
  - ► AFP's Knowledge Areas and Curriculum Framework
  - Nonprofit Leadership Alliance's Nonprofit Management and Leadership Competencies
  - Nonprofit Academic Centers Council's Curricular Guidelines for Undergraduate Study in Nonprofit Leadership
- Programs:
  - ▶ The Fundraising School at the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University
  - Rockhurst University, Fundraising Concentration in Nonprofit Leadership
  - Many certificate and graduate programs across the country



## Curriculum Development for Fundraising Minor – Proposed courses

- New courses:
  - Introduction to Resource Development/ Fundraising (mandatory)
  - > 3 of the following courses:
    - ► Annual Giving
    - Major Gifts & Planned Giving
    - ▶ Development Services
    - Capital Campaigns
    - Development Marketing & Analytical Services

Existing courses @ VCU:
 Ethics (3 credits)
 Writing & Public Speaking (3 credits)
 Social Organization & Behavior (3 credits)



### Why we need you:

- AFP teaching faculty practitioners as teachers and mentors
- Panel members in courses/Guest lecturers
- Vet and provide host sites for internship experience
- Training for mentors
- Longitudinal assessment



### AFP & VCU Partnership

- Aligns with AFP strategic plan
- CFRE teaching credit opportunity
- Qualified & talented AFP members interested in teaching at VCU
- Add student fee to AFP for membership
- Diversify chapter & add members







### Next Steps

- School of Business/ Wilder School
- Proposal for SCHEV
- Student recruitment through career fairs and academic advising programs
- Formalized relationship with AFP Central Virginia chapter