

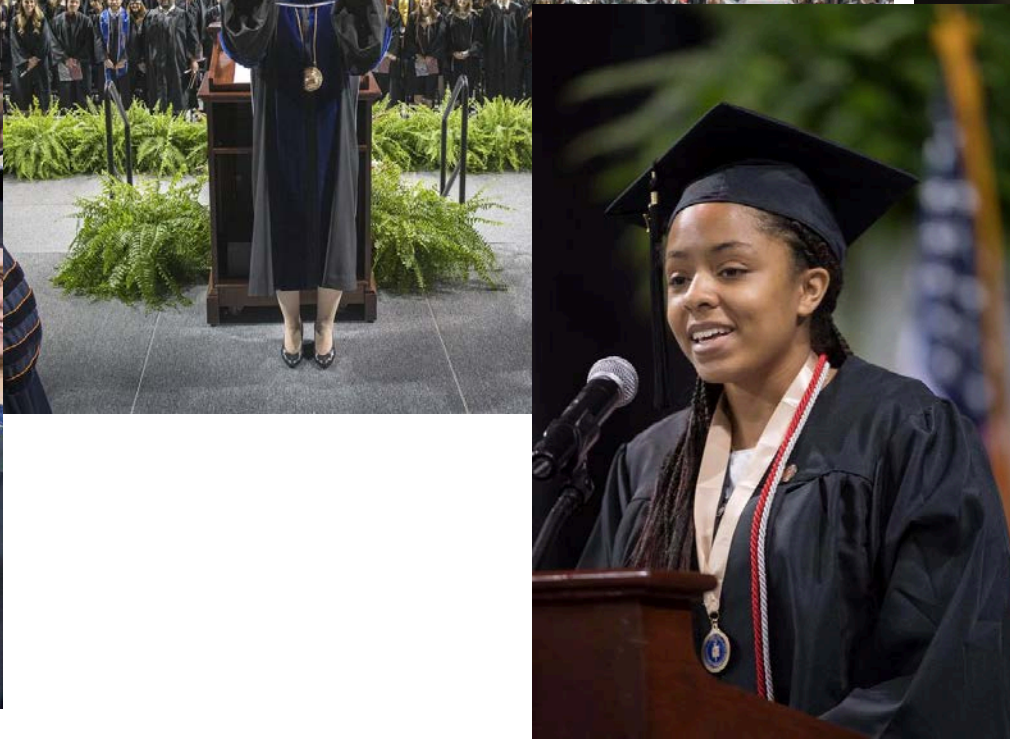
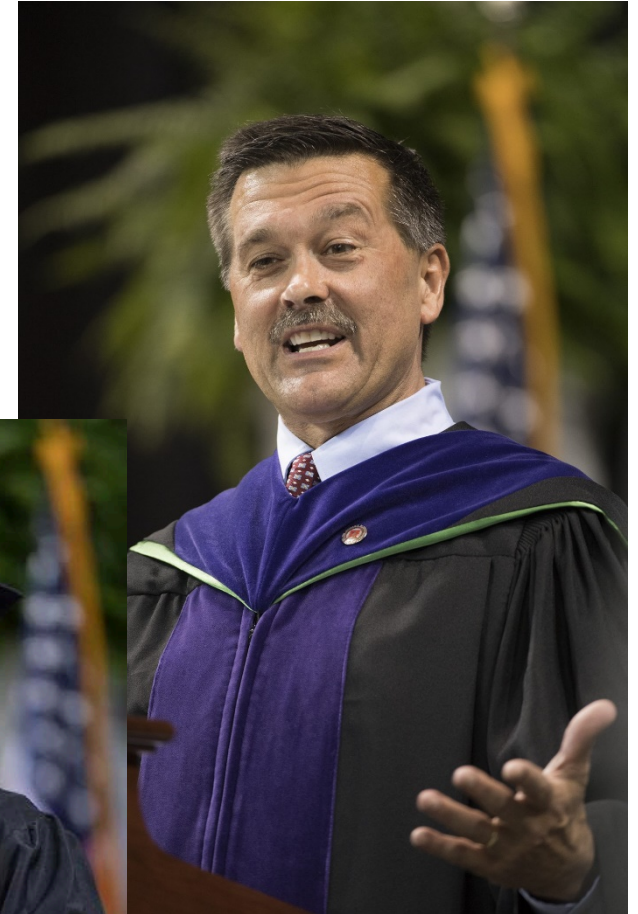
# The University of Virginia's College at Wise

**June 8, 2017**

**Charlottesville, Virginia**

Donna Price Henry, Ph.D.  
Chancellor

# UVa-Wise 2017 Commencement



# Collegiate Recovery Program: Feasibility Report

**Key Finding:** UVA and UVa-Wise possess critical assets and resources that would benefit a collegiate recovery program (e.g. champions, residential capacity, etc.)

- Recommendation: Leverage assets to establish a recovery community

**Key Finding:** As with most communities at this stage, stigma, confusion and fear regarding recovery are common

- Recommendation: Launch a “recovery education campaign” to reduce stigma and increase understanding of program purpose. Share the stories and experiences of college students in recovery to familiarize others with the faces of recovery

**Key Finding:** Intervention and treatment services at UVa-Wise and in the local community are already stretched

- Recommendation: Establish a peer mentoring program; collaborate and consult with UVA Student Health Services as well as area hospitals, rescue and law enforcement to ensure adequate education and addiction services; and leverage and further develop telemedicine program to supplement care

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**Key Finding:** UVa-Wise's Wellness Center and Office of Student Life maintain a robust schedule of programs and activities to engage residential and commuter populations

- Recommendation: Integrate Wellness Center and Student Life into recovery community programming; and establish a promotion campaign to reach commuter students

**Key Finding:** Recovery allies in the community are prepared to promote recovery as a healthy, vibrant and acceptable college lifestyle

- Recommendation: Design program to be an "all inclusive" recovery community, welcoming students in recovery as well as recovery allies for "All Recovery Meetings" and social events

**Key Finding:** Cost and sustainability concerns repeatedly voiced

- Recommendation: Provide clear communications on program cost to students; program is funded through private monies; self-sustaining by Year 3

# Collegiate Recovery Program

## Establish Working Group

- Establish an Internal Working Group comprised of appropriate parties from UVA and UVa-Wise to evaluate key findings and recommendations in the feasibility report
- Timeframe: Commence Summer 2017

## Recommendations to Chancellor

- Internal Working Group submits recommendations to Chancellor Henry
- Timeframe: Summer 2017/Fall 2017

## Recommendations to College Board and BOV

- After evaluating Workgroup recommendations, Chancellor Henry shall forward recommended approach and next steps to UVa-Wise College Advisory Board
- College Board's approved recommendations shall be forwarded to the Board of Visitors for consideration
- Timeframe: Fall 2017