

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
WOMEN AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

This survey is being used to gather information to help us better understand the experiences of women at The University of Virginia who matriculated between the years 1920 and 1976. We welcome your candid responses to the questions below. If you wish to remain anonymous, please leave blank the information at the end of the questionnaire. Please feel free to skip questions that you prefer not to answer. If you wish to answer a question with more detail, please do not feel restricted by space, and add additional pages as necessary.

1. School or Program affiliation at U. Va. _____

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

First, we would like to ask you some questions about your life circumstances.

2. What were your home town and state when you came to the University of Virginia?
3. Would you classify your home town at the time you were a student as:
 a farm or other place not in a town or city a suburb
 a small town a large city
 a small city
4. Was the high school from which you graduated:
 a public school a private day school
 a parochial day school a private or parochial boarding school
5. Was it:
 an all-girls' school co-educational
6. Did you come to the university directly from high school? Yes No
If not, what did you do between high school and coming to U.Va.?
7. Before coming to U.Va., what were the most important activities in your life?

(If you have never been married, please skip to question 10 on the next page)

8. Were you married:
 before you came to U.Va.
 during the time you were at U.Va.
 after you left U.Va.
9. Was your spouse a student employee faculty other (please specify) at The University of Virginia when you met?

FAMILY INFORMATION

10. If either or both of your parents attended a college and/or university, what school(s) did they go to and what was the highest degree or diploma each of them earned? (Write “none” or “no degree” if appropriate.)

	School	Degree
Mother	_____	_____
	_____	_____
Father	_____	_____
	_____	_____

11. If you have siblings, what level of schooling did they achieve? (Please check highest level that applies.)

Sister #1	1-8 _____	8-12 _____	College _____	Graduate or Professional School _____
Sister #2	1-8 _____	8-12 _____	College _____	Graduate or Professional School _____
Sister #3	1-8 _____	8-12 _____	College _____	Graduate or Professional School _____
Brother #1	1-8 _____	8-12 _____	College _____	Graduate or Professional School _____
Brother #2	1-8 _____	8-12 _____	College _____	Graduate or Professional School _____
Brother #3	1-8 _____	8-12 _____	College _____	Graduate or Professional School _____

12. Did any of your immediate family members attend U.Va.? If so, please list the family member and schools of enrollment.

13. At the time you came to the University, what was your mother’s occupation? What was your father’s occupation? (If either or both worked outside the home, please give us their job titles, like “lawyer” rather than the name or kind of firm, company, or organization for which they worked.)

Mother	Father
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCES:

Please help us understand better your experiences while at the university.

Education

14. College and/or university experience (Please list all colleges attended, including U.Va.)

Institution	Field of Concentration	Degree/ diploma	Dates attended
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

15. Why did you choose to come to the University of Virginia?

16. How did you finance your U.Va. education?

17. Why did you select your field of concentration?

18. How would you describe your classroom experiences at the University?

19. What were your interactions with your professors like, both inside and outside the classroom?

20. Who were the people at the University who had the greatest impact on you? Why?

21. What do you remember most about your overall educational experience at the University?

Beyond-the-Classroom Experiences

22. How did you spend your weekends?

23. In what extra-curricular organizations did you participate? What did you do? How significant was your participation to your experience at the University?

24. What local, state, national, or international issues did you care about while you were a student at the University?

25. What, if anything, did you do to express your interests or concerns in these issues?

Residential Life

26. In what type of housing did you live while attending the university? Check all that apply:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> dormitory | <input type="checkbox"/> rooming house |
| <input type="checkbox"/> apartment | <input type="checkbox"/> at home |
| <input type="checkbox"/> other: please specify | |

27. What did you like or dislike about your various living arrangements?

28. Where did you take your meals?

Living in Charlottesville

29. Did you interact with people in Charlottesville and the surrounding area who were not connected to the University? Yes No
If yes, in what way?
30. What do you remember about Charlottesville and the surrounding area at that time?

General

31. Did you feel yourself to be a part of the University of Virginia community?
 Yes No
Can you recall specific incidents that made you feel this way?
32. Please share a significant memory or experience from your time at the University. It would be most helpful if you could tell us whether this represents your general experience of the University.
33. To what extent, if at all, did your marital status affect your experiences at the university? Please explain.
34. To what extent, if at all, did your ethnic and cultural identity affect your experiences at the university? Please explain.

POST UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCES

35. Do you feel that your education prepared you for your post-university life? Why or why not?

36. Since leaving the university, what events have significantly influenced your personal life?

37. What factors in your personal life have had an impact on your professional life outside the home?
(If not applicable, please go to question #38.)

38. What other factors have affected your life after you left the university?

39. Since leaving the University, what paid work (if any) have you done?
(Please list the three positions you consider most significant.)

Positions held

Approximate Dates

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

40. Since leaving the University, what volunteer activities (if any) have involved your time?

Organizations and Positions

Approximate Dates

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

41. Do you think of yourself as a career woman? _____ Yes _____ No
42. What barriers, if any, have you faced in terms of your work (either paid or unpaid)?

INDIVIDUAL AND HOUSEHOLD DEMOGRAPHICS

Finally, we have a few questions about your household. These questions are for statistical purposes only, and are strictly confidential.

43. What is your current marital status?

_____ married _____ never married
 _____ separated/ divorced _____ other
 _____ widowed

44. What is your current age range?

_____ 40-45 _____ 50-55 _____ 60-65 _____ 70-75 _____ 80-85
 _____ 45-50 _____ 55-60 _____ 65-70 _____ 75-80 _____ 85-90 _____ over 90

45. How many children do you have? _____

46. What is your current employment status? (Please check all that apply.)

_____ Employed full-time (30 hours or more a week)
 _____ Employed part-time (less than 30 hours a week) or as a temporary
 _____ Self-employed (average 30 hours or more a week)
 _____ Full-time student
 _____ Full-time homemaker
 _____ Retired
 _____ Between jobs
 _____ Other (Please explain) _____

47. Please share with us anything else about your experience at The University of Virginia that will help us with the goals of this project, or anything else you think we should know.

48. Would you be willing to be contacted for further information? Yes No

If yes, please tell us your name and the best way to contact you (phone, address, e-mail)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (Area code and number) _____

E-mail: _____