

Name and Address of Chapter:

University of Virginia ACM-W Student Chapter
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Names and email addresses of chapter officers:

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Brief description of chapter and school including number of members:

The ACM-W chapter at the University of Virginia is also known as WiCS (Women in Computing Sciences) at UVA. We seek to create a network for all the women in computing majors and computing-related majors at the university. We also include members in non-affiliated majors who are interested in learning more about computing. WiCS provides professional, social, educational, mentorship, and outreach opportunities for our members. As of April 18, 2016, the chapter has 127 members.

The University of Virginia is a public research university in Charlottesville, Virginia. UVA is commonly known for its historic significance and honor code.

Number of students at your school who take CS and related courses and typical majors of chapter members:

The computer science department has not gathered data on the number of students at UVA who take CS and related courses, however there were 952 students enrolled in introductory computing courses in Spring 2016.

Our membership consists primarily of computer science and computer engineering majors.

URL for chapter home page:

<http://wics.cs.virginia.edu>

Outstanding Chapter Website:

The current chapter website (wics.cs.virginia.edu) was made from the Photon template by HTML5 UP. It was created using HTML5, CSS, JavaScript, JSON, and JQuery. The elected webmistress keeps the site up to date. The site is a single page with a menu bar attached to the top of the browser screen for ease of navigation.

The first section of our site shows our name and a brief description; we are known as Women in Computing Sciences (WiCS) at the University of Virginia. A button to "learn more" scrolls the page down to our "Purpose" section with a longer description of what we do and a photo from one of our social events this past spring. Next in "More about WiCS" we state that we are a chapter of ACM-W, explain the reasoning behind our name, and describe some perks to joining our organization.

The next section describes our High School Mentorship program with a link to the mentorship blog. The following section is still under construction but will showcase some experiences of members who have attended the Grace Hopper Conference. Next up is our event calendar, which is an embedded Google calendar maintained by the WiCS Vice President. We strive to provide information not only about our events, but the computing related events at UVA and beyond (e.g. hackathons and conferences).

We show our appreciation to our sponsors in the "Sponsors" section. The section includes the contact information of our two industry relations chairs. This is followed by "Meet Our Officers" which lists the different WiCS positions and the position holder along with their picture and description. The officer descriptions can be seen when the mouse hovers over the photo. The final section is information for joining our listserv, a link to like our facebook page, and the disclaimer required of Contracted Independent Organizations at the University of Virginia.