

FORK UNION MILITARY ACADEMY

SUMMER SESSION 2019



30 June-27 July 2019

HANDBOOK OF REGULATIONS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

For Students and Parents

Overview

Fork Union Military Academy provides young men a challenging academic experience in a healthful boarding school environment. The school program is holistic, helping our students grow in body, mind, and spirit. Instructors teach a college preparatory curriculum while helping students develop habits and study skills essential for classroom success. Devotionals each morning, along with several chapel services weekly allow each student the opportunity to consider the claims of Jesus Christ as he develops his world view. Our athletic facilities and team offerings promote healthy physical development and fitness, and our living environment provides safe dormitory living as we build community among the young men who enroll here. This summer our students will develop life skills vital for success, including self-discipline, accountability, hygiene, problem solving, focus, and tenacity. Their hard work will be rewarded. It is our pleasure and calling to help prepare each student to meet the demands and opportunities awaiting him following his high school years.

FUMA Summer Sessions have been of lasting value to numerous young men for many years. To enhance your son's experience this summer, you should familiarize yourself with school policies and procedures. Please examine closely the information in this handbook and then keep it handy for reference during the Summer Session. In making travel plans to and from Fork Union, please refer to the Summer Session calendar and the leave schedule.

All regulations, particularly those regarding CLASS ATTENDANCE, must apply equally and fairly to all members of our student body. Exceptions may be granted only in cases of emergency, and not to accommodate personal calendars or vacation plans. Our goal is to maintain consistency and structure essential to the program. Your cooperation is vital and greatly appreciated.

On behalf of all of us here at the Academy, we look forward to our time together, and expect a great outcome.

A. ACADEMICS

- 1. CURRICULUM.** All course offerings are listed on our selection sheet available through the Guidance Office. During the summer, students may repeat two courses, may explore two enrichment courses, or can choose one of each. Alternative course requests may be granted only with approval from the Academic Dean.
- 2. COMMUNICATION.** All classroom teachers have email addresses with the general form <Last Name First Initial of First Name@fuma.org>, with no spaces or punctuation. Parental communication is encouraged, and parents should hear from teachers no less than once per week during the summer session. Grades are maintained in our electronic student information system. Questions should be directed to the Academic Dean at Dean@fuma.org or 434.842.4212.
- 3. STUDY PERIOD.** One of the most important aspects of our academic program is the evening study period, called "CQ" or Call to Quarters. During CQ, each student is expected to complete his homework from the day, and to prepare for the following day. Each CQ is adult supervised by dorm mentors who live on each hall. CQ promotes the development of sound study habits and strengthens the ability to focus.

B. SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS

Christian principles undergird all aspects of the Academy program. Class days begin with devotionals, Chapel services are held twice during the week and each Sunday morning, and teachers are encouraged to encourage students in their spiritual growth. The services of an ordained Christian pastor are available throughout the summer session and regular school year.

C. ATHLETICS:

The Academy enjoys an amazing athletic tradition, and many young men have developed their physical talents on our campus. Our alumni cadre includes scores of professional athletes in sports such as football, baseball, basketball, track and field, and swimming. During Summer School, your son will be required to participate in athletics. He may choose the sport he desires, and will be coached in that sport three days per week. Two days per week he will participate in our intramural program.

D. DINING

All meals are served cafeteria style with ample amounts of fresh, wholesome foods. Snack foods and soft drinks are discouraged at mealtime and should not be brought to the dining hall. An adequate amount of time is allotted for the students to eat and discuss the day's activities.

E. WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

Summer School classes will meet on Saturday 06 July, 20 July, and 27 July. Our only weekend leave begins on Friday 12 July at 1530 hours, and concludes on Sunday 14 July at 1800 hours. On Saturday 13 July, students on campus will participate in a trip to Busch Gardens Williamsburg. The costs associated with travel and park entrance are provided by the Academy. Day passes will occur each Sunday beginning at 1030 hours. Parents must report to the Commandant's Department to pick off/drop off their student.

F. CLOTHING

Knit shirts and khaki pleated shorts will be issued to each student for class wear and weekend trips. Athletic wear will also be given for afternoon play and activities. The cost for these clothing items is included in the tuition charge. A "FUMA" pullover will also be provided. The following items should be brought for use during the summer session. These items should be clearly marked with the student name on the inside of the garment as possible. Twin bed sheets and pillowcases are provided and laundered by the Academy.

The following items should be brought from home:

Gym shoes (may be worn to class) - (2)

Blanket

Under Shorts - (8)

Slippers or flip-flops

Straight broom and/or dustpan

Calculator for math or science classes

A baseball glove, Lacrosse stick, racquetball or tennis racquet may be brought

Pillow - standard size to fit our pillow cases

White towels and wash cloths (4)

Undershirts (white-8)

Socks (white- at least ankle height)

Desk Lamp

G. MEDICAL CONTROL

1. **INFIRMARY.** A registered nurse is on duty each day and the Academy physician is available as needed.
2. **HEALTH RECORDS.** The **physical examination** form and immunization record must be completed and returned in order for a student to register for the Summer Session.
3. **MEDICATIONS.** All medications will be dispensed and secured by the nurse in our infirmary. Medicine and dosage instructions should be left with the nurse on opening day.

H. LEAVE POLICY

There is one weekend leave on the Summer Session calendar. Students may depart at 3:15 PM on July 12 and must return by 6:00 PM Sunday evening July 14. Students are allowed off campus with parents on day pass beginning at 10:00 AM until 6:00 PM on Sundays only.

Students must have written permission from their parents or guardians on file with the Commandant's Department before leave will be granted.

Leave requests may be approved for a student to visit his home, the home of a relative, or the home of another student. When going to the home of either a relative or another student, a written invitation must be on file from the relative or the inviting student's parents.

Travel must be by private transportation and with a driver over twenty-one (21) years of age with written permission on file.

I. DORMITORY

1. **ROOM ORDER.** Each student will be expected to cooperate with his roommate in keeping their room neat and orderly; beds must be straightened, floors swept, and clothes neatly hung. Roommates share responsibility for room order and cleanliness.
2. **AUDIO-VIDEO EQUIPMENT.** Clock radios are permitted for student use. Each room is equipped with satellite television and a telephone. Cell phones and MP3 players of any kind are strictly prohibited.
3. **APPLIANCES.** Students may not have hot plates or other cooking appliances, irons, toasters, or refrigerators. Fans are NOT permitted.
4. **ROOM CHANGES.** Requests for a room change should be directed to the Director of Student Life. Requests will be considered with respect to the good of all concerned.

J. PERSONAL CONDUCT

1. **DISCIPLINE.** Each student is held accountable for his actions and behavior while at Fork Union. Good behavior will be rewarded while inappropriate behavior may warrant remedial measures. A student who experiences difficulty working within the framework of our structured program may be assigned a punitive task for his actions. Such misconduct may result in his being given "extra duty" or loss of privileges. Every effort is made by our faculty to handle all problems in a fair and consistent manner.
2. **AWOL.** Students may not leave the campus without permission. Such permission is granted in accordance with the Summer Session's leave and day-pass policy. Should your son leave school without authorization, we will

notify you of his absence as promptly as possible and will work closely with you to secure his safe return to the campus. Unexcused absences will not be permitted, and may lead to academic forfeiture of credit.

3. **TOBACCO.** The use of tobacco products in any form is prohibited.
4. **INTOXICANTS.** The possession or use of intoxicants of any kind, or associated paraphernalia, is absolutely forbidden and will result in dismissal from the Academy. Misuse of ordinary substances with the intent to produce an intoxicating effect may also warrant dismissal.
5. **VIOLENT CONDUCT.** An act of violence or physical aggression directed at another person, or willful destruction of property, may be cause for dismissal from the Summer School.
6. **CONDUCT OFF CAMPUS.** Students represents Fork Union Military Academy on and off campus. Conduct off campus which reflects negatively on the Academy's reputation may lead to punitive measures.
7. **STEALING.** The Academy considers stealing to be a very serious offense. Any student found guilty of stealing in any form is subject to dismissal. Possession of an article reported lost or belonging to another student may be considered stealing.
8. **PROBATION.** Students who exceed 20 demerits risk being placed on probation. The terms of probation impose a demerit limit of 10 demerits for a 7 day period. If the student goes over the limit, dismissal may result.
9. **DISMISSAL.** A student may be immediately dismissed for a single act of grave misconduct, inferior academic performance, continued violation of regulations, or conduct generally detrimental to the welfare of the other students in the summer session.

K. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. **SEPARATION.** The enrollment contract and obligation is for the full session. Once a student is enrolled in the program, he may not be withdrawn without forfeiting fees. Final grades may be withheld until all financial considerations are fulfilled.
2. **ALLOWANCES.** The Academy will accept deposits for student accounts. Because of the summer session's short duration, however, it is preferred that personal allowances and minor financial matters be handled independently of the Academy. Students may have personal checks written for reasonable amounts cashed in the business office. Fifteen dollars each week should be a satisfactory amount for an allowance and these funds will be distributed each week. We recommend that ALL credit cards be left at home.

3. **LAUNDRY.** The school issued shirts, shorts and the cadets personal items will be laundered by the academy.
4. **PERSONAL APPEARANCE.** Students must remain clean shaven and are expected to shower daily. Socks are required for class wear. Hair should be neatly tapered and not extend over the ears or shirt collar. Sideburns are cut on a line with the top of the exterior ear opening. Extreme hair styles (spiked, dyed, braided, etc.) are not permitted. Students will not cut hair, and hair trimmers are not authorized on campus. Students will have their hair cut by the Academy barber as necessary. Wearing of earrings is not permitted.
5. **TELEPHONE CALLS.** Each barracks room has a telephone with a unique number. Calls may be received at that number at any time during the day, and messages may be left on the voicemail associated with each room. Students may dial out from their room phone only during free time hours, generally between 6:00 pm and 7:00pm daily. Cellular telephones are NOT permitted on campus. On opening day you will be given directions on how to contact a member of the FUMA administrative staff in an emergency. Academy Telephone: 434.842.3212 FAX: 434.842.4300
6. **MAIL.** All mail should be addressed to the student, F.U.M.A. Summer Session, Fork Union, VA 23055. We receive express letters and packages through the post office, and the **United Parcel Service** delivers using **4744 James Madison Highway, Fork Union, VA 23055** as the street address.
7. **AUTOMOBILES.** Students are not permitted to have vehicles (automobiles, motor-cycles, etc.) during the summer session.

Grading Scale

99 - 100	A+	93 - 94	B+	86 - 87	C+	79 - 80	D+
97 - 98	A	90 - 92	B	83 - 85	C	77 - 78	D
95 - 96	A -	88 - 89	B -	81 - 82	C -	75 - 76	D -

Below 75 is Failing

Grading Periods

1st Quarter	June 30 – July 6
2nd Quarter	July 8- July 13 (End of First Semester)
3rd Quarter	July 15 – July 20
4th Quarter	July 22 – July 27 (End of Second Semester)
Final Exam	July 27

The School Day

0645	Rising Bell
0720-0750	Breakfast
0800 - 0930	Class 1, Period 1
0930 - 0945	Break
0945 – 1115	Class 1, Period 2
1115 - 1200	Lunch
1200 -1330	Class 2, Period 1
1330 - 1345	Break
1345 – 1515	Class 2, Period 2
1515 - 1700	Athletics/Coaching Clinics
1700 - 1715	Hygiene
1715- 1800	Dinner
1800 - 1845	Chapel/Assembly
1900 - 2100	Study Hall
2100 - 2130	Quiet Time
2130	Lights Out