

# Virginia Infrastructure Academy: Industry Talks!

## Strengthening Virginia's Infrastructure, paving the way for Virginia's economic growth.

In partnership with the Lumina Foundation, Virginia's Community Colleges (VCCS) is working to leverage resources, expand, and streamline efforts to meet the needs of in-demand infrastructure industries and provide short-term industry training and credentials leading to employment for thousands of Virginians.

VIA is offering several sessions to provide overviews of what these industries entail, the credentials associated, and career opportunities in the field.

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Mon | 4/10 - 2 PM

### Virginia Transportation Construction Alliance | Virginia Asphalt Association

*Join Gordon Dixon from the Virginia Transportation Construction Alliance and Trenton Clark from the Virginia Asphalt Association as they discuss the importance of the FastForward short-term credentials. This will be an opportunity to also learn about what these certifications entail as well as careers in these fields so that you can help your students.*

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Gordon Dixon | Trenton Clark

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Thur | 4/13 - 2 PM

### Chemung Contracting

*Connect with Ed Dalrymple from Chemung Contracting as he shares his role within the Virginia Infrastructure Academy and the value of the role of the community college in closing the labor gap. This presents a chance for you to gain knowledge about the certifications involved and the corresponding career prospects in these fields, which can ultimately aid you in assisting your students in making informed decisions.*

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Ed Dalrymple

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Tues | 4/18 - 2 PM

### Dominion Energy and SHINE

*Join our colleagues from Dominion Energy and the Solar Hands-on Instruction of Excellence (SHINE) as they provide valuable insights into the energy industry and share opportunities that are available for students. Learn about how FastForward credentials can offer a pathway for students to gain the necessary skills and knowledge to pursue careers in the energy sector.*

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Matt Kellam, Ruth Prideaux, David Peterson

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Mon | 4/24 - 2PM

### Heavy Construction Contractors Association

*The Construction industry, like others, has a huge need for field workers. Come learn from Debora Harvey, from the Heavy Construction Contractors Association (HCCA), about how HCCA has partnered with several of our community colleges to offer a Heavy Equipment Operator (HEO) program, the credentials earned, and guaranteed opportunities with HCCA member firms for graduates.*

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Debora Harvey