

**William & Mary's Batten School of Coastal & Marine Sciences & VIMS  
Part-time (Off-site) Status Policy for M.S. and Ph.D. Track Students**

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With the approval of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, a Batten School of Coastal & Marine Sciences & VIMS student enrolled in the M.S. or Ph.D. program who has achieved candidacy and completed course work and on-campus research is allowed to finish the degree program in a special part-time registration status. Part-time degree seeking students are not eligible for Batten School & VIMS assistantships, fellowships, or workshop funding and are not making use of on-site resources of the Batten School & VIMS or the William & Mary campus in Williamsburg. Depending on domicile status, a part-time student pays for one credit hour at the out-of-state rate or three credit hours at the in-state rate during fall and spring semesters. During the summer, part-time students are required to register for one credit hour in order to maintain continuous enrollment. Approval for part-time status must be renewed each semester (including summer). Tuition support for a part-time student is at the discretion of the advisor, if appropriate funding sources are available.