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BC-126
June 1975

NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL FM

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

OFFICIAL NO. 994

Date first licensed 6-29-78

Call letters W D C E

Station location Richmond, VA.

Name of licensee UNIVERSITY of RICHMOND

3-13-79)

Transmitter location Fine Arts Building, University of Richmond, Richmond, Virginia (PED781116AL
XUniv. of Richmond student center, Richmond, VA
(PED 1-12-77)

Main studio location Student Center (Commons Bldg.), University of Richmond, Virginia
XUniv. of Richmond student center, Richmond, VA
(PED 1-12-77)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BPED-2215 Class-D	1-12-77 CP NEW	90.1MHz EDUC FM	ch 211 Station	TPO: 10	watts 1-12-78
BPED-2215 (1)	2-10-77	Call Letters assigned & ERSA			
BLED-1762 HAAT: --	6-29-78	90.1MHz #211 Lic. (BPED-2215)	ERP: -- U		10-1-81 for New Station.
BPED781116AL HAAT: -- (L)	3-13-79	90.1mhz CLASS: D CP to chg. TL&oper. trans.	ERP: -- SECONDARY CH.# 211 by RC	TPO: 10 watts 3-13-80	
BLED-790815AE (L)	12-13-79	90.1mhz watts, HAAT: none, cover (BPED-781116AL) for changes.	ERP: None, TPO: 10		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name University of Richmond

Richmond, Virginia (PO % R. H. Walker, Dir. Public Info, Richmond, Va. 23173)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-2215 R&F NO FEE REQUIRED PRESS: PN REC'D	1-5-76 3-8-76 AUG 5 1976	CP for new Educ. FM station on: 90.1mhz #211 TPO: 10 watts Trans. RCA BTE-10AT; Ant. RCA BF1-2C, 2 sects TL-sl : Student Center, University of Richmond Richmond, Virginia 37° 34' 35" 77° 32' 33" Atty: ---- Engr: ----- Amended 4-6-76 re question 7A V-B coordinates and V-G question 1 Section I and II, financial	GRANTED	1-12-77
AMENDED	12-9-76			
BLER-1762 R & F PTA: PRESS:	10-21-77 10-26-77 12-14-77 APR 24 1978	<u>addn VG</u> Lic. (BPED-2215) for new station. Atty: ---	GRANTED	6-29-78

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90.1MHz.

Form BC-121

May 1976

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Name UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED781116AL PRESS	DEC 27 1978	CP to change TL to: Fine Arts Building, University of Richmond, Richmond, Virginia & operate Trans. by RC from: Student Center (Commons Bldg.), University of Richmond, Richmond, Virginia & incre. HAAT: 86'.	GRANTED	3-13-79
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BLED-790815AE PTA: PRESS:	8-24-79 NOV 1 1979	37° 34' 48" 77° 32' 35" License to cover (BPED-781116AI) FOR CHGS. Atty: ----	GRANTED	12-13-79
BPED-800104AN (C) PN RECD. MAR 10 '81	1-10-80 APR 27 '81	CP incr ERP: 100 watts HAAT: 86' CUT OFF		

Name: UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND

Station Location: RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRED810601YQ PRESS	AUG 5 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED 10-22-81

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

