University of Virginia protects students and prepares for the future with CS Gold and the AD-Series

One card. Many uses.

The University of Virginia ID card is distributed to all students and staff to provide identification as well as access to a host of privileges, facilities, and convenient purchases. Uses include:

- Identification
- Building access
- Library circulation privileges
- Meal plans and Plus Dollars (student only)
- Cavalier Advantage access to university services
- Student health facilities (student only)
- Access to recreational facilities
- Charge privileges at university bookstore locations (student only)
- Admission to athletic events (student only)
- University transit
- Access to student legal services (student only)
Improving security with the AD-Series

When the University of Virginia decided to upgrade the access control devices used in its residence halls, the school knew it needed a Grade 1 ANSI spec locking system supporting dual credentials (card and PIN) that would integrate seamlessly with CS Gold. After investigating several solutions, the university decided on the AD-Series electronic locks from CBORD® partner Allegion®. The AD-400 online locks were selected, providing 900 MHz wireless access control with real-time remote management capabilities.

“The AD-Series locks are sturdy, they meet ANSI standards, and they allow us to improve residence hall security by requiring both a card a PIN to gain access,” says Gary Conley, Facilities & Systems Engineer, University of Virginia. “Plus, the modular architecture of the readers will make it easy to us to switch from magnetic stripe to contactless credentials down the road. All we will need to do is replace the reader module—the lock itself won’t even need to come off the door. The AD-Series meets our current needs and helps us plan for the future.”

Lockdown was another important consideration for the university when selecting a solution. While many access control devices can experience delays of up to 10 minutes in downloading updates, the AD-Series’ “wake up on radio” feature can enable a remote lockdown in as little as a few seconds, vastly improving security during an emergency.

“During an emergency, we have no time to waste waiting for a lockdown to take effect,” says Conley. “With the AD-400 readers, lockdown is quick and efficient. That’s more than peace of mind—it’s real security that students, parents, and administrators can appreciate.”

“From classrooms to sports complexes, labs, residence halls, common areas and beyond, the new AD-Series from Schlage security platform was designed with the understanding that no two campuses or their security applications are the same,” explains Beverly Vigue, Allegion Vice President, Education Markets. “While protecting people in its facilities is a university’s most important security priority, CBORD’s solutions for campus ID systems in conjunction with the AD-Series electronic locks also protect its access control investment. The modular design of the new AD-Series security platform makes it easy to add more locks or upgrade credentials, networking options, or software without replacing the locks. In the future, such upgrades can be as easy as changing a module from a mag to a smart card.”

“CS Gold is a recognized leader in the campus card industry, and its tight integration with the AD-Series combines cutting-edge security with efficient system management,” says Cindy McCall, Vice President, Marketing, The CBORD Group, Inc. “We are pleased to see the University of Virginia realizing the benefits of our valuable partnership with Allegion and the powerful dividends created by our integrated campus solutions.”

About The University of Virginia

Founded in 1819 by Thomas Jefferson, the University of Virginia is a top-ranked public university located in the foothills of Virginia’s Blue Ridge Mountains. The university enrolls more than 20,000 students in its 12 schools, selecting individuals who exemplify the promise envisioned by its founder.

About Allegion

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