VCU Guidelines for UAS operations on the MCV Campus

- The pilot in command for all UAS operations on the MCV Campus must hold an FAA issued small Unmanned Aircraft Systems Remote Pilot certificate.
- All UAS operations on the MCV Campus must have two (2) separate, trained visual observers in addition to the RPIC.
- The UAS operator (i.e., the RPIC or observer) must contact the VCU Emergency Department Communications Room at (804) 828-3989 before any UAS flights are conducted to inform them that UAS operations are commencing. The VCU Emergency Department has the right to suspend or delay UAS flight operations if necessary to safe guard helicopter operations.
- The UAS operator must supply the VCU Emergency Department Communications Room personnel with individual, on-site mobile phone numbers for the pilot and visual observers where they can be reached at any time during UAS operations to inform them of incoming and/or outgoing helicopter flights or other pertinent information.
- The UAS operator must contact the VCU Emergency Department Communications Room after all UAS flights are completed to inform them that UAS operations have concluded.
- The UAS operator must maintain a VHF radio receiver on at all times during UAS operations to monitor the emergency helicopter radio communications on 123.075 MHz.
- The UAS operator must IMMEDIATELY land and secure the UAS if an emergency helicopter enters the area for landing or take off from either helipad. The UAS must remain secured until the helicopter shuts down or departs the area.
- The application for permission to conduct UAS flights on the MCV Campus must explicitly cite, and agree to abide by these rules. In addition, it must clearly show, in the form of a flight plan map of the area, where the proposed flights are to be conducted.