



## Financial Aid Office

### 2020-2021 Financial Aid Guidelines

Victor Valley College complies with the Family Education Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA) by not disclosing student educational records. However, current amendments to FERPA allow for lawful disclosure to Federal, State, and Local law enforcement authorities as amended by the US Patriot Act.

- Beginning July 1, 2012 to be eligible for financial aid, you must have High School Diploma or a General Education Diploma (GED).
- **All financial aid inquiries must be made in person. This information will not be disclosed by telephone.**
- Students applying for Federal Financial Aid ***must*** only enroll in courses that will meet his/her academic program as stated in their Student Educational Plan (SEP). This includes Cooperative Education and Physical Education courses, which can be part of eligible coursework ***only*** if they are specifically required to meet a student's academic program.
- Your enrollment status (full-time,  $\frac{3}{4}$  time,  $\frac{1}{2}$  time, less than half-time) is calculated each term on a combination of your registered units and a census date for each individual course. (The census date is defined as a unique date, assigned to each course, based on the length of the individual course.)  
**Financial Aid cannot pay for a class that is more than 10 days prior to the class start date.**
- Financial Aid ***will not*** cover units earned for: ***Credit by Exam, Audit classes, No Credit Grade, High School Concurrent/Dual Enrollment*** and ***Community Ed classes*** (non-credit) courses.
- Any student who attends more than one college during the same enrollment period ***cannot*** receive federal financial aid at both colleges (except for the BOGFW/Promise Grant). This could result in an overaward and repayment of funds.
- A minimum of six units required to receive State Cal Grants, Chafee, Seog, Federal Work Study, Federal Student Loans, and the Child Development Grant.
- A course repeated for a 3rd time or more and previously passed, will NOT be considered for federal aid.
- **Federal law requires that if you receive federal funds and then drop or withdraw from your classes, you may owe money back to the Federal Government. PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU RECEIVE A FW ON ALL COURSES IN A TERM YOU WILL BE CONSIDERED AN UNOFFICIAL DROP (EVEN IF YOU WERE ENROLLED IN THE COURSES THE ENTIRE TERM). A calculation will be performed based on only earning 50% of the Pell and/or SEOG that you received and you may be billed for the amount of unearned funds.**
- **I agree to repay Victor Valley College for any overpayment of funds I received whether due to my misrepresentation of information, reduction of my enrollment status or institutional error.**