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Important Dates:
January 1st - 2013-2014 FAFSA Available Online

January 14th - CA Dream Application Available Online

January 14th - First Spring 2013 Disbursement

January 14th - Spring 2013 Semester Begins

January 21st - Campus Closed

February 3rd - IRS Data Retrieval Tool Available for FAFSA

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Our Mission Statement:
"Financial Aid is comprised of individuals who are willing and committed to ensuring student success. Through hard work, we strive to take the time to listen, empower, and go the extra step to make students feel special by demonstrating how much we care. A student’s achievement is evidence of our success."

2013-2014 FAFSA
Submit Your Application Now!

The 2013-2014 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is now available online! To apply, please visit www.fafsa.gov. To apply for a Personal Identification Number (PIN), please visit www.pin.ed.gov.

Important Dates for 2013-2014

January 1st – March 2nd - Priority Filing Deadline for FAFSA and Cal Grant GPA Verification Form.

February 3rd - IRS Data Retrieval Tool for FAFSA on the Web becomes available.
Effective Spring 2013, Financial Aid will be disbursed to students based on attending hours. The Financial Aid Office has made this change to maintain compliance with U.S. Department of Education regulations. Therefore, the start date of your classes will dictate how much you will receive in each of your disbursement(s).

If you are registered and meet all financial aid eligibility requirements for your disbursement(s) AND:

- You are registered and ALL of your classes start on January 14, 2013, your first disbursement is scheduled the week of January 14, 2013 after all charges are paid.
- Your enrollment includes a combination of classes that start on January 14th, 2013 AND classes that start later in the semester, you may receive a partial first disbursement* of financial aid, if eligible, the week of January 14, 2013. The remainder of the first disbursement will disburse approximately 7-10 days after your next class(s) begins.
- You are ONLY enrolled in late start classes (meaning those that start after January 14, 2013), your financial aid disbursement(s)* will occur approximately 7-10 days after each late start class begins.

Please note, students must be registered in ALL of their classes, regardless of when they start, prior to our Freeze Date of March 11, 2013 in order for those courses to count toward your financial aid enrollment status. Courses registered in after this date cannot be considered for federal financial aid funding. All students should allow 7-21 days after payment appears on your MyVCCCD Portal account to receive his/her refund.

*Loan disbursements for students in 6 or more Attending Hours will disburse the second week of the semester or once you are attending 6 or more units.

For Example:

Julia is enrolled in 12 units and is scheduled to receive $1,388 for her first disbursement. Out of the 12 units she’s enrolled in, only 6 of those units begin on January 14th while the other 6 begin on February 11th. Therefore, Julia will only receive $694 during the week of January 14th. Her remaining first disbursement of $694 will be disbursed after February 11th.
A student's residency status is determined by the information that is provided by the student on the Application for Admission. Students who do not meet residency requirements will be classified as out-of-state students for tuition purposes only.

**You are an out-of-state student if the following is less than a year proceeding the first day of term you plan to attend:**

- You have not lived in California one year and one day prior to the start of the semester, even though you are a U.S. citizen or legal immigrant.
- You have registered and voted in a state other than California.
- You have petitioned for divorce in a state other than California.
- You have attended an out-of-state educational institution as a resident of that state.
- You have declared non-residence for California State income tax purposes.
- You have been approved for admission as an International Student.
- You are in the United States on a temporary visa/non-immigrant status.

**The cost of tuition as an out-of-state student at Ventura College is:**

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Enrollment Fee</th>
<th>$46 per unit</th>
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<tr>
<td>Out-of-State Tuition</td>
<td>$250 per unit</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-California Resident Capital Outlay Fee</td>
<td>$14 per unit</td>
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<tr>
<td>Health Fee</td>
<td>$19 per semester</td>
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<tr>
<td>Remote Registration Fee</td>
<td>$2 per semester</td>
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<td>Student Center Fee</td>
<td>$1 per unit (Not to exceed $10 per academic year)</td>
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<td>Student Representation Fee</td>
<td>$1 per semester</td>
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**The cost of attendance for an out-of-state student at Ventura College is:**

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<tr>
<th>2012 – 2013 Out-of-State Student College Budget (9 months)</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Budget Components</strong></td>
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<td>Room &amp; Board</td>
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<td>Fees</td>
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<td>Books &amp; Supplies</td>
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<td>Travel Expenses</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
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“The Financial Aid Office does not determine a student’s residency. Any questions regarding residency should be directed to Admissions and Records.”
**Out-of-State Students and Financial Aid**

**Cost and Disbursement (Continued)**

**Q. How does financial aid disburse for out-of-state students?**

A. Every financial aid student who completes their file is required to review the Terms and Conditions on their MyVCCCD portal. These terms indicate the following:

1. I accept the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Standards (SAP)
2. I authorize VCCCD to apply the credit balance derived from Federal funds/aid to cover other charges to my student account for other non-institutional charges.
3. I authorize VCCCD to use Federal funds/aid for prior year charges up to $200.

When a student accepts the Terms and Conditions, they are acknowledging that any financial aid that is to be disbursed to them (Federal Pell Grant, FSEOG, Subsidized/Unsubsidized Student Loans) will be applied directly to any outstanding fees on their account (tuition, health fee, student center fee, etc.). After a student’s balance has been paid, any remaining financial aid will then be disbursed to the student via the Higher One refund process.

**Q. Can you give an example of how this will work during disbursement?**

A. Steve is an out-of-state student who has enrolled in 12 units at Ventura College for the Spring semester. Steve’s current fees are:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Fee Description</th>
<th>Cost</th>
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<tr>
<td>Enrollment Fee</td>
<td>$552</td>
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<tr>
<td>Out-of-State tuition</td>
<td>$3,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-California Resident Capital Outlay Fee</td>
<td>$168</td>
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<tr>
<td>Health Fee</td>
<td>$19</td>
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<tr>
<td>Remote Registration Fee</td>
<td>$2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Student Center Fee</td>
<td>$10</td>
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<td>Student Representation Fee</td>
<td>$1</td>
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<td>Total for Semester</td>
<td>$3,752</td>
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Steve was awarded a Federal Pell Grant of $2,775 for the Spring semester. Based on financial aid attending hours, all 12 units of Steve’s enrollment start on January 14, 2013. Therefore:

**Steve’s first disbursement is for $1,388.**

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<th>Description</th>
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<td>Outstanding Balance</td>
<td>$3,752</td>
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<td>Anticipated Financial Aid</td>
<td>(1,388)</td>
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<td>Remaining Balance</td>
<td>$2,364</td>
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**Steve’s second disbursement is for $1,387.**

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<td>Remaining Balance</td>
<td>$ 977</td>
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Based on the example, Steve will still owe $977. He is not entitled to a refund because of this remaining balance. If this balance is not paid, a hold will be placed on Steve’s VCCCD account preventing him from registering for future semesters. Steve may also choose to apply for a Federal Direct Student Loan to cover the remainder of his balance if he is eligible.
The Financial Aid Office disburses financial aid in different disbursements depending on the type of aid it is.

**Federal Pell Grant** - Two disbursements per semester*
**Federal SEOG and Cal Grants** - Once per semester
**Federal Direct Loans** - Once per semester**

*If a student is awarded a Federal Pell Grant after the second disbursement for the semester, they will receive both disbursements at once, if eligible.

**If a student has a one semester loan, they will receive two disbursements.

A Federal Pell Grant is awarded to students based on the assumption of full-time enrollment (12+ units). If a student is not enrolled full-time, the amount that student receives will be less and prorated based on his/her actual enrollment.

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<th>Enrollment Status</th>
<th>Unit Requirement</th>
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<tr>
<td>Full Time</td>
<td>12+</td>
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<td>Three Quarter Time</td>
<td>9-11.5</td>
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<td>Half Time</td>
<td>6-8.5</td>
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<td>Less Than Half Time</td>
<td>.5-5.5</td>
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**Pell Grant Payment Note:**
Students with EFCs of **4996** or higher are **not** eligible for a Pell Grant if they are enrolled full-time.
Students with EFCs of **4801** or higher are **not** eligible for a Pell Grant if they are enrolled ¾ time.
Students with EFCs of **4401** or higher are **not** eligible for a Pell Grant if they are enrolled ½ time.

Federal Direct Loans, Federal SEOG, and Cal Grants require that a student be enrolled in a **minimum of 6 units** for funds to disburse.

**For Example:**
Peter is enrolled in 15 units (full-time) for the Spring semester only. He was awarded the following aid:
Federal Pell Grant- $2,775
Federal SEOG- $300
Federal Direct Subsidized Loan- $4,500
His disbursements for Spring should be the following:

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<tr>
<th>Award</th>
<th>First Disbursement</th>
<th>Second Disbursement</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Pell Grant</td>
<td>$1,388</td>
<td>$1,387</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SEOG</td>
<td>$300</td>
<td>$0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Subsidized Loan</td>
<td>$2,228</td>
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To receive federal financial aid at Ventura College, students must be enrolled in an eligible program of study and goal offered by Ventura College. Undecided/undeclared is not an eligible program of study. Proficiency Awards and some Certificate programs are also not eligible for financial aid.

Ventura College currently offers Associate Degrees, Transfer Programs, and/or Certificates of Achievement in the following majors:

- Art: Ceramics/Fine Art/Commercial Art
- Automotive
- **Bilingual/Cross-Cultural Studies**
- Biology/Biological Science
- Business: Accounting/General/Business Management
- Child Development
- Communication Studies
- Construction Technology
- Criminal Justice
- CSU-GE (Transfer programs in Administration of Justice, Art History, Business Administration, Communication Studies, Early Childhood Education, History, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Studio Arts)
- International Studies
- Drafting Technology: Industrial Design and Manufacturing/Electronic Drafting and Manufacturing
- Emergency Medical Technology/Paramedic
- Engineering: General/Physical Science – Engineering Technology
- General Studies
- History
- Holistic Health Studies
- **Human Services**
- IGETC (Transfer programs in Administration of Justice, Art History, Business Administration, Communication Studies, Early Childhood Education, History, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Studio Arts)
- International Studies
- Medical Assistant
- Music
- Nursing Science
- Photography
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Supervision
- Theatre Arts
- Water Science
- Welding

*Students must be enrolled in degree programs in these majors in order to be considered for financial aid. Certificates of Achievements in these programs are currently not eligible for financial aid.*