## How to Accept Federal Student Loans in Banner:

- 1. Accept your student loans as well as the terms & conditions by going to Banner Web at myvsu.valdosta.edu and complete the following steps: (Please use Google Chrome NOT Safari/Apple Device)
  - □ Click BANNER underneath Portals
  - □ Click FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION MENU
  - □ Click REVIEW/ACCEPT FEDERAL LOAN OFFERS link
  - □ LOGIN using your VSU student ID number and MYVSU password (if required)
  - □ Click AWARD OFFER tab to review award
    - i. Click ACCEPT or MODIFY the offered loan amounts (\*If accepting a reduced amount in Banner, this amount will always be split between all semesters awarded. See the instructions in the NOTE section below to accept individual amounts for each semester.)
    - ii. Click Resources to review & accept the Terms and Conditions of Financial Aid
    - iii. Submit acceptance (Parent Plus Loan cannot be accepted on this tab, if offered.
      Please see below for instructions on how a PARENT can apply for the Parent Plus Loan)
- 2. Student must log in to studentaid.gov to complete BOTH the Entrance Counseling and MPN requirements.
  - □ Complete the Loan Counseling:
    - Studentaid.gov -> click on IN SCHOOL tab -> click on COMPLETE LOAN ENTRANCE COUNSELING link -> log in using FSA ID or Email and password □ Complete the Loan Agreement (Master Promissory Note):
      - i. Studentaid.gov -> click on IN SCHOOL tab -> click on COMPLETE A LOAN AGREEMENT (MASTER PROMISSORY NOTE) link -> log in using FSA ID or Email and password

NOTE: If accepting uneven/different award term amounts (more than a \$1 difference) OR one term only, then please REQUEST, FILL OUT, & SUBMIT a FEDERAL DIRECT LOAN REQUEST FORM on valdosta.studentforms.com. You will need your MyVSU login info. (Please use Google Chrome NOT Safari/Apple Device)

PARENTS ONLY: How to Apply for a Federal Direct PLUS Loan (Parent Plus Loan):

- □ Review the award amount in the Financial Aid Award Summary Portal or Award Overview tab in Banner Web (see instructions above)
- Visit studentaid.gov -> click on PARENT tab -> click APPLY FOR A PARENT PLUS LOAN link -> log in with the PARENT FSA ID ONLY or PARENT email & password ONLY
- □ Complete the Master Promissory Note, if approved -> visit studentaid.gov -> click PARENT tab -> click COMPLETE A MASTER PROMISSORY NOTE FOR A PARENT PLUS LOAN link -> log in with the PARENT FSA ID ONLY or PARENT email & password ONLY

NOTE: If a paper Parent Plus Loan application is used, please return to the office via fax, mail, or in person. The MPN is still required to be completed online at studentaid.gov.