



VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Financial Aid

Engaging with Financial Aid

The Office of Financial Aid is dedicated to helping students and parents obtain the financial aid necessary to pay for a college education here at Valdosta State University. Staff take time to go over any remaining tasks that need to be completed, before funding is available. In addition, the staff share important information about scholarship opportunities, Veterans Education benefits, and other ways to help you pay for school.

CONNECTING WITH THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

Web: valdosta.edu/finaid

Hours: Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Phone: 229.333.5935 Email: finaid@valdosta.edu

Friday 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

FINANCIAL AID NEXT STEPS

1. Complete the 2020/21 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at <https://studentaid.gov> and include VSU on the application (school code = 001599). It is recommended to have the FAFSA completed by December 1st, if planning to start in Spring 2021.
2. A completed FAFSA normally is received by the Office of Financial Aid, within 3-5 days. It is quite common for students to have additional steps to take, once the school receives the FAFSA information. Monitor your VSU email address for updates. You may also contact the Office of Financial Aid directly, for any updates after the 3-5 day processing period.
3. When approved for financial aid and officially awarded, this information will be available in your New Student Checklist (you will receive a link to the checklist, upon acceptance to VSU). Review this information closely to see estimated cost and financial aid funding options. Funding options can include things like the PELL grant, federal loans, and scholarships.
4. Students who wish to use the federal loan options, will need to complete additional steps to accept the loan offers. Additional details about these steps, are found here: <https://www.valdosta.edu/loanprocess>