

GOVERNING CATALOG

The college catalog, which is published each May, is the official document that describes the policies, academic programs, and requirements for students attending Valencia College. (In this catalog “you” means “the student.”) **You are expected to know and adhere to the policies and requirements of your catalog that affect you.**

Your governing catalog is the Valencia College catalog in effect at the time of your initial enrollment in associate or bachelor’s degree credit courses at Valencia College. A Valencia College catalog is valid for five academic years provided you are continuously enrolled as defined in the glossary of this catalog. If you do not complete your program degree requirements during the five academic years your catalog is valid, your degree may be changed to non-degree seeking (Personal Interest) and your new governing catalog year will be the catalog in effect during your next term of enrollment.

If you are applying to a limited access program and the admissions requirements change within your five year catalog time period, you will qualify for a transition plan to the new requirements. Your governing catalog will be updated to the Valencia College catalog in effect at the time of your enrollment in the limited access program. You may officially declare any subsequent catalog as your governing catalog and follow its requirements for your initial degree or certificate program until that catalog expires; however, if you change your degree or certificate program, you are required to choose from the current catalog degree and certificate program offerings and follow those graduation requirements.

Should the District Board of Trustees approve changes in program requirements to be effective within the academic year, the revised requirements will be available in the catalog, academic departments, and Career Program Advisors’ offices. Students affected by the change in requirements should contact the appropriate Program Advisor, Program Director, or Academic Dean to discuss education plan options.

It is expected that the only changes will be the correction of errors and the inclusion of new courses and programs approved for offering mid-year; however, in rare instances changes to policy may occur mid-year.