## GRANTS

Grants may be awarded if you show financial need based on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The grants listed here are administered by the Valencia Financial Aid Services Department based on the guidelines set for each program by the provider.

## **Federal Pell Grant**

This is a need-based federal grant program for students who are seeking their first undergraduate degree. The annual award amount is determined by your Student Aid Index (SAI) and enrollment status. The maximum scheduled award for 2025-26 is \$7,395\*. Students who establish eligibility will be funded. All documents must be received prior to your last day of enrollment or June 30, 2026, whichever comes first. Initial awards are estimated based on the results of the FAFSA. Estimates will change if any criteria used to determine your eligibility, such as major, degree status, satisfactory academic progress, income or family information changes. Actual payment will not be determined until after the Drop/Refund Deadline listed in the Academic Calendar in the online official catalog. Students registered for Flex Start courses will not receive financial aid payment until the last course has begun. Flex Start courses added to a schedule after financial aid payment is made will not be considered for a financial aid payment. Only courses required for the degree or certificate declared in your official Valencia record will be included in financial aid enrollment status. You do not have to be enrolled full time to receive a Pell Grant award. The amount actually paid to you from the Federal Pell Grant will be prorated if you enroll for less than 12 credits in a given term. You must begin attending all of your classes on the first day. If you are withdrawn for non-attendance prior to the actual payment of Pell Grant funds, payment for the withdrawn class(es) may not be made. All students are eligible to receive a Pell Grant award for no more than 12 terms of full time equivalency enrollment regardless of major, catalog year or initial term or enrollment in a post-secondary institution.

\* The US Department of Education determines the EFC level each year and this designation is subject to change.

## Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)

This is a need-based federal grant awarded to undergraduates seeking a first undergraduate degree in an eligible program who have exceptional financial need. The maximum annual award amount at Valencia is \$1000 between Fall/Spring terms. The aid is divided equally between Fall and Spring. Students who enroll in subsequent terms will only receive financial aid awards for semesters remaining. Priority is given to students with high need who apply for financial aid early. Limited funding is available in this program, and funding is awarded on a first come-first serve basis. Summer SEOG awards are based on availability of funds remaining after Fall/Spring awards have been paid. SEOG will be disbursed on a prorated basis for student with less than half-time (CAPP compliant) hours. Actual payment amounts will not be determined until after the Drop/Refund Deadline listed in the Academic Calendar in the online official catalog. If you are registered for 1 or more Flex Start courses, you will not receive financial aid payment until after the last course has begun. Flex Start courses added to your schedule after the CAPP compliance Lock will not be considered for a financial aid payment. Only courses required for the degree or certificate declared in your official Valencia record will be included in the financial aid enrollment status. You must attend all of your classes on the first day of each term. If you

are withdrawn for non-attendance prior to the actual payment of FSEOG funds, payment for the withdrawn class(es) may not be made.

## Florida Student Assistance Grant (FSAG)

FSAG is an undergraduate need-based program for students who demonstrate the highest financial need. FSAG is available for fall and spring terms only. Limited funding is available in this program, and funding is awarded on a first come-first served basis. Priority is given to qualified students in FAFSA completion (packaging) date order. To qualify you must be seeking your first undergraduate degree, (enroll in an A.A. or A.S. degree program) and be within the state's determined qualified need range. Initial awards are estimated based on the results of the FAFSA. Estimates will change if any criteria used to determine your eligibility, such as Florida residency, major, degree status, citizenship or eligible non-citizenship, satisfactory progress, income or family information, or financial need changes. The award amount at Valencia College varies up to a maximum of \$2,608 per year based on full-time enrollment (12+ credits). The FSAG award amount will prorate if enrolled for less than a full-time enrollment status (75% of award being enrolled at 9-11 credits and 50% of award for being enrolled at 6-8 credits). A minimum of half-time enrollment (6-8 credits) is required to receive FSAG funding. Disbursement will occur after the no show reporting period listed on the Academic Calendar in the online official catalog. Disbursement is based on your total enrollment, including flex start courses. If you drop or withdraw from courses after disbursement, you risk losing FSAG eligibility for the upcoming aid year. If you are withdrawn for nonattendance prior to the disbursement of FSAG funds, payment for the withdrawn class(es) will not be made. To be considered for renewal, the student must have earned a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA and earn the following for each term an award was received during the academic year. 12 credit hours for each term for full-time enrollment; 9 credit hours for

12 credit hours for each term for full-time enrollment; 9 credit hours for three-quarter-time enrollment; or 6 credit hours for half-time enrollment.

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