



Financial Aid Times

Spring 09 Edition

2009-10 FAFSA If you need financial aid to cover expenses for the 2009-10 school year (Fall 09 – Summer 10), the time to apply is now!!! You must reapply for financial aid by filling out the 2009-10 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). After you complete your 2008 tax return, you can apply online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

STUDENT EMAILS ARE HERE!!! See www.vernoncollege.edu for information on how to activate your account! Effective immediately, financial aid award notifications will only be sent to your VC email account.

HELP US, HELP YOU!!! Over 4,000 students have applied for financial aid for the current school year. How can you help? If you have a question, access campus connect 24 hours a day at your convenience to check your financial aid status, view awards, etc. We appreciate your help!

DON'T BE A SAP!!! Federal regulations require that students who receive financial aid make satisfactory academic progress (SAP). There are three standards for SAP: cumulative grade point average, successful completion of courses and time frame. If you fail to meet any of these standards, you will lose your eligibility for financial aid. VC monitors SAP at the end of each semester. Students should access Campus Connect to verify their SAP status. See the VC catalog for more information.

HELP!!!! The PASS Centers, located on the Vernon, SAFB and CCC campuses, provide students with tutoring services. In addition, the PASS Centers also offer a wide variety of services to assist students. For more information, call 552-6291 ext. 2309.

WOW! Did you know the VC Financial Aid Office disburses over \$7 million dollars a year in financial aid?

DO YOU HAVE THE FACTS? VC offers the FACTS payment plan to help you meet your tuition and fee expenses. Take advantage of this program to assist you with your summer costs. NOTE: If you are Pell eligible and have attended full-time in the Fall 08 and Spring 09 semesters, you will not have Pell eligibility for the summer.

MILLIONS IN UNCLAIMED AID.....NOT! Many companies “guarantee” you financial aid or assistance in the application process, but the catch is you must pay for their services. NEVER pay a fee to apply for financial aid. These companies provide inaccurate, incorrect and misleading information and in most instances, you get nothing in return.

HAVE YOU BEEN TO COUNSELING..... exit counseling that is! If you received a student loan you must complete this requirement before you graduate, drop below half-time enrollment, transfer to another school, or withdraw from VC. Failure to do so will result in a hold against your record. This requirement can be completed 24 hours per day at your convenience at www.mapping-your-future.org.

DATE TO REMEMBER:
August 1 – Fall 09 Financial Aid Deadline

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