

STUDENT SERVICES

AP 5130 FINANCIAL AID, VETERANS & SCHOLARSHIPS SERVICES

References:

- 20 U.S. Code Sections 1070 et seq.;
- 34 Code of Federal Regulations Section 668;
- Education Code Section 66021.3, 66021.6, 66025.9, 69514, 76300 and 94912.5;
- Title 5 Sections 55031 and 58600 et seq.
- ACCJC Accreditation Standard III.D.15

Financial Aid, Veterans & Scholarship Services (FAVSS) administers numerous grants, scholarships, loans and employment programs funded by federal and state agencies, and institutional and private donors. For a complete list of aid programs including eligibility and disbursement criteria, visit the FAVSS website.

FAVSS shall establish, publicize and utilize regulations that are in compliance with federal and state regulations and institutional policies that address, at a minimum:

- Application procedures, including deadlines
- Student eligibility
- Payment procedures
- Overpayment recovery
- Accounting requirements
- Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)

Refer to the FAVSS website for details.

Financial Aid Application Process

Application links and information are available on the FAVSS website.

Scholarship information

Applications and information on Palomar College Foundation, departmental and external scholarships may be accessed on the FAVSS scholarship website.

Veterans and Active-Duty Educational Benefits

Veterans and Active-Duty Education Benefits, Federal and State Veterans, and Department of Defense Educational Benefits are available at Palomar College. Information is available on the FAVSS website and additional assistance with VA benefits is available at the Veterans Resource Center.

Misrepresentation

Misrepresentation is defined as any false, erroneous, or misleading statement that the District, a representative of the District, or a service provider with which the District has

contracted to provide educational programs, marketing, advertising, recruiting, or admissions services, makes directly or indirectly to a student, prospective student, a member of the public, an accrediting agency, a state agency, or the United States Department of Education.

A misleading statement includes any statement that has the likelihood or tendency to deceive or confuse. If a person to whom the misrepresentation was made could reasonably be expected to rely, or has reasonably relied, on the misrepresentation, the misrepresentation would be substantial.

This procedure does not apply to statements by students through social media outlets or by vendors that are not providing covered services, as reflected herein.

Loss of Eligibility for California College Promise Grant (formerly known as a BOG Fee Waiver)

A student shall become ineligible for a California College Promise Grant if the student is placed on academic or progress probation, or any combination thereof, for two consecutive primary terms. Loss of eligibility shall become effective at the first registration opportunity after such determination is made.

The District shall notify students of their placement on academic or progress probation no later than thirty days following the end of the term that resulted in the student's placement on probation. The notification must clearly state that two consecutive primary terms of probation will lead to a loss of the California College Promise Grant until the student is no longer on probation. The notification must also advise students about the available student support services to assist them in re-establishing and maintaining eligibility.

The District shall adopt, prominently display, and disseminate policies ensuring that students are advised about the student support services available to assist them in maintaining and re-establishing California College Promise Grant eligibility. Dissemination includes, but is not limited to, information provided in college catalogs and class schedules.

The District shall establish written procedures by which a student may appeal the loss of a California College Promise Grant due to extenuating circumstances, or when a student with a disability applied for, but did not receive, a reasonable accommodation in a timely manner. Extenuating circumstances are verified cases of accidents, illnesses, or other circumstances that might include documented changes in the student's economic situation or evidence that the student was unable to obtain essential student support services. Extenuating circumstances also includes special consideration of the specific factors associated with Veterans, CalWORKs, EOPS, and DSPS student status.

All protected classes shall not be subject to loss of California College Promise Grant due to placement on academic or progress probation. This exemption for Foster Youth is effective until the date specified in Education Code Section 66025.9(c).

See BP 5130 titled Financial Aid, Veterans & Scholarships Services

Office of Primary Responsibility: Student Services