

2023- 2024 Financial Aid Calendar

JANUARY

- Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for 2023-2024 to the Federal Government. (Now available as early as October 1, 2022!) Please remember to use **2021 tax information**. Login at www.studentaid.gov Our school code is **003764**.
- Priority deadline is March 31, 2023.

FEBRUARY

- Financial Aid Awareness Month for more information visit https://www.vsu.edu/financial-aid/fin-fridays.php .
- If you have not completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for 2023-2024, please do so at this time. **The priority-funding deadline is March 31**st.

MARCH

- Our priority deadline is March 31st. Please be aware that results from your FAFSA received after March 31st may reduce your chances of receiving certain federal and state grants or work-study. All financial aid is awarded on a first-come first-serve basis.
- If you are having issues with your FAFSA, please contact the Department of Education at (800) 433-3243.
- We start mailing Financial Aid Offer letters on March 31st. Please follow steps provided to accept your offer.

APRIL

- It is *important* to respond to any financial aid request(s) for supporting documentation. To obtain VSU forms electronically, please visit www.vsu.edu, select "Financial Aid" tab, then click on "Documents & Forms" for the 2023-2024 award year.
- Notify Virginia State University's Admissions Office of your decision to attend VSU at (800) 871-7611 or (804)524-5902.

MAY

- You should receive your Award Notification (via mail and/or e-mail). Please follow steps provided to accept your offer.
- If you are applying for the Parent (PLUS) Loan, you must submit your Application online at www.studentaid.gov. To ensure processing before fall registration, please submit by June 30, 2023; for spring registration, please submit by November 30, 2023.

JUNE

- Make preparations to pay for college if financial aid does not cover your total tuition. All tuition and fees are due prior to official enrollment.
- If you do not have enough funds to pay for tuition, you may want to contact our <u>Student Accounts Office</u> (804-524-5506 or <u>bursar@vsu.edu</u>) to set-up a tuition payment plan.



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JULY

- Attend one (1) New Student Orientation Session; refer to your New Student Guide for dates.
- Undergraduate registration begins this month for students who have been admitted to the University.

AUGUST

- Undergraduate registration continues this month.
- Virginia State University dorms will open this month; refer to your New Student Guide for date.
- If you have been offered a Federal Direct Stafford Loan, you must complete the electronic master promissory note and entrance loan counseling. Please visit <u>www.studentaid.gov</u>.
- Virginia State University classes begin.
- You must be validated before you can begin classes. Validated means you have completed all of your financial obligations. (Financial Aid, Payment Plan, Cash Payments, etc.)

SEPTEMBER

- If you were awarded College Work Study, job placement begins this month. Contact our Financial Aid Office for details of the scheduled **MANDATORY** workshop.
- The Financial Aid Office will begin posting financial aid disbursements to your banner account.

OCTOBER

- 2024-2025 FAFSA opens on October 1, 2023. Use 2022 tax information.
- Homecoming (Check VSU website)
- Midterms and Fall Break (Check VSU Academic Calendar for exact dates.)

NOVEMBER

• Course registration for spring 2024 begins. Check VSU Academic Calendar for exact dates.)

DECEMBER

Prepare for fall 2023 final exams. Check VSU Academic Calendar for exact dates.)