



**SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE  
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The Financial Aid, Veteran Services and Student Employment Office supports the mission of the college by administering a wide variety of grant, scholarship, loan, veteran's educational benefit and employment programs designed to help students overcome the financial barriers to higher education. The programs of the Financial Aid, Veteran Services and Student Employment Office are guided by several policy statements:

- I. Southwestern Illinois College believes that the primary responsibility for financing an education lies first with the individual and his or her family.
- II. Southwestern Illinois College expects students/dependent students' parents to contribute to their/their children's education according to their means based on income, assets, number of dependents and other relevant information.
- III. Southwestern Illinois College is sensitive to the fact that financial aid resources represent the earnings of citizens both from within the community and nationwide. From this perspective, Southwestern Illinois College strives to ensure that these financial aid resources are administered conscientiously and fairly with due regard for federal, state, and local laws and the changing requirements of those laws.
- IV. Southwestern Illinois College recognizes that different forms of financial aid may be used to serve different purposes. Some forms of financial aid will be dedicated to serving students in need, while other forms may be used to recognize or encourage students of special talent or merit.
- V. Southwestern Illinois College realizes that federal and state regulations governing financial aid change frequently and recognizes the need for staff development and training to implement and monitor these changes. In addition, the institution's commitment to utilizing quality software specifically designed for the administration of financial aid also supports this goal.



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- VI. All students will receive fair and courteous service without regard to race, creed, color, sex, religion, national origin/ancestry, disability, sexual orientation, or age.
- VII. Veterans benefit programs are administered to veterans and their dependents following the guidelines outlined in the G.I Bill Principles of Excellence.
- VIII. Southwestern Illinois College maintains policies and procedures for administering financial aid programs in accordance with state and federal rules and regulations. As necessary, policies are made available publicly on the college website.