

Student Services

1 BP 5130 FINANCIAL AID

2 References:

- 3 Education Code, Sections 66021.6 and 76300
- 4 20 U.S. Code, Sections 1070 et seq.;
- 5 34 CFR, Section 668 (U.S. Department of Education regulations on the Integrity
- 6 of Federal Student Financial Aid Programs under Title IV of the Higher Education
- 7 Act of 1965, as amended);
- 8 ACCJC Accreditation Standard III.D.15

9 A program of financial aid to students will be provided, which may include, but is not
10 limited to, scholarships, grants, loans, and work/employment programs. All awards and
11 disbursement to students will be, at a minimum, in accordance with state and federal
12 statutes and regulations.

13 All financial aid programs will adhere to guidelines, procedures, and standards issued by
14 the funding agency and will incorporate state, federal, and other applicable regulatory
15 requirements. To be certified for participation in federal Title IV, HEA programs, the
16 institution will adhere to the Institutional Eligibility Regulations, 34 CFR 600 and the
17 Student Assistance General Provisions Regulations, 34 CFR 668.

18 The institution will ensure that a program is eligible before awarding federal student aid
19 funds to students in that program. The Eligibility and Certification Approval Report
20 (ECAR) will contain the most critical data elements that form the basis of Cerritos
21 College's approval and a list of the highest level of programs offered, any non-degree
22 programs or short-term programs, and any additional locations that have been approved
23 for the Federal Student Aid (FSA) Programs.

24 The Financial Aid Office shall establish, publicize, and apply satisfactory academic
25 progress standards for participants in Title IV student aid programs.

26 Misrepresentation

27 Consistent with the applicable federal regulations for federal financial aid, the District shall
28 not engage in "substantial misrepresentation" of 1) the nature of its educational program,
29 2) the nature of its financial charges, or 3) the employability of its graduates.

30 The President/Superintendent shall establish procedures for regularly reviewing the
31 District's website and other informational materials for accuracy and completeness and
32 for training District employees and vendors providing covered services concerning the
33 District's educational programs, financial charges, and employment of graduates to
34 ensure compliance with this policy.

35 The President/Superintendent shall establish procedures wherein the District shall
36 periodically monitor employees' and vendors' communications with prospective students
37 and members of the public and take corrective action where needed.

38 This policy does not create a private cause of action against the District or any of its
39 representatives or service providers. The District and its governing board do not waive
40 any defenses or governmental immunities by enacting this policy.

41 Office of Primary Responsibility: Vice President, Student Services

42 Also see AP 5130 titled Financial Aid

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