

Student Success and Support Program

The Student Success and Support Program (SSSP) is a State of California categorically-funded program that assists in choosing, planning, and achieving educational and career goals. It is Southwestern College's way of supporting student's right to succeed in college.

SSSP is a partnership between the student and the College.

Southwestern College agrees to:

- Provide orientation services
- Evaluate English, math and reading skills – through assessments.
- Provide application and registration assistance.
- Provide access to counselors who can help plan your education.
- Monitor student progress and keep you informed about campus resources.

Student agrees to:

- Decide upon major and educational goal before completing 15 units..
- Participate in a required assessment session and orientation session (online or on campus).
- Adhere to prerequisite and corequisite requirements.
- Develop a Student Educational Plan with a college counselor.
- Attend and successfully complete the courses in which you enroll.

All students are required to participate in SSSP Services, unless they are exempted by the following:

- Already have earned an Associate or Bachelor Degree.
- Are attending SWC for: personal enrichment, noncredit courses only, upgrading job skills, enrolled in apprenticeship or career technical programs, or are concurrently enrolled in another college or university.

Fees and Refunds

*At the time of publication, the Enrollment Fee is \$46 per unit (Example: a 3-unit course is \$138) Note: All fees are subject to change. Enrollment Fees are set by the California Legislature.

REGISTRATION FEES

Required Fees

Enrollment Fee..... \$46 per unit
Waived for BOGFW recipients.

Non Resident Tuition.....\$193 per unit
Plus other registration fees.

Course/Materials Fee (if applicable).....Varies

All student fees are set in accordance with the California Legislature and are subject to change. The enrollment fees set by the Legislature apply to every community college in the State. In the event the Legislature increases fees, students will be responsible for paying the difference. Students who have already registered for classes will be billed for the difference in accordance with any new state requirement.

HEALTH FEE

Pursuant to Education Code and District policy, Southwestern College has a mandatory health fee. The health fee is \$16 per term for each full-time student. The health fee and/or health fee exceptions are subject to change should the State Legislature take action to change them. Students may petition for exception for:

- Students who depend exclusively on prayer for healing in accordance with the teachings of a bona-fide religious sect, denomination or organization;
- Students on AFDC, SSI, or General Relief;
- High School students enrolled at the Sweetwater Union High School District taking designated classes at high school sites only;
- Students attending under an approved apprenticeship training program;
- Exclusive online courses.

Health Fee**

Summer fee.....\$16
Refer to Health Services Center for services.

Accident Insurance/Liability Fee..... \$2
(Students enrolled in off-campus classes where no health services are available; classes at the Chula Vista campus when no health services are available, or travel study classes which meet outside of California.)

** Upon request, the health fee will be refunded to any student who withdraws from all courses prior to the 10% date of the length of the course.

Parking Information and Fees

Registered students can purchase parking permits online on WebAdvisor at <https://webadvisor.swccd.edu>. You will need your license plate number and a credit card.

The process is:

- Log into WebAdvisor
- Go to the Academic Profile and you will see SWC Parking Permits
- Follow the directions and it will lead you to the Credentials website
- Pay for your permit
- Print out your temporary permit (if needed)

For Non-Students: in order to purchase your permits you will need to go to room 105D.

Parking permits are not available for purchase in the Cashier's Office

If you purchase your parking permit less than 5 days before the semester begins, you will be able to print out a temporary permit until the permanent one is received. Once you have purchased your permit, you will receive the permit via U.S. mail, between 5 to 10 business days.

- You cannot exchange the permit once you place your order
- There will be no refunds
- Permits are not valid in metered spaces

Permits are required from the first day of classes at all Southwestern sites. All vehicles must have a valid college parking permit properly displayed while parked at any campus except in metered or disabled parking spaces.

Multi vehicle/car	\$22
Motorcycle.....	\$20
Eligible Financial Aid BOGFW Recipients.....	\$20*
Daily Parking	\$3 per day
Visitor Parking (Lot A, Chula Vista Campus).....	\$1 for 30 minutes in green marked spaces
Meter Parking (San Ysidro and Otay Mesa).....	\$1 for 45 minutes
Automobile Permit Replacement fee	\$40
Motorcycle Permit Replacement fee.....	\$20

Note:

- * Only for students who are receiving BOGFW Waiver, A, B, C. Veteran Dependent must pay full amount. For additional policies pertaining to parking fees please visit: Home > Admissions & Registration > Tuition and Fees

RETURNED CHECK SERVICE CHARGE

Checks returned for non-sufficient funds or "Stop Payments" must be paid by MasterCard, VISA, Discover, American Express, cash or money order, and a \$25 service charge will be added to the amount of the check. Your enrollment at Southwestern College, as well as your credit, may be affected.

REFUND POLICY

A student will be refunded registration fees for course withdrawals made by the 10% point of actual class meeting days, to include short term classes. This 10% point may be on the first day of classes. Please check with WebAdvisor for dates for specific classes. A class added after the refund deadline is not eligible for a refund.

REFUNDS ARE NOT AUTOMATIC. Eligible students should request a refund in person or by phone at any Cashiers Office at the following locations: Main Campus—(619) 482-6307; Higher Education Center, Otay Mesa—(619) 216-6750; Higher Education Center, San Ysidro—(619) 216-6790 Ext. 4902 or 4903; and Higher Education Center, National City—(619) 216-6665 Ext. 4853. You may also download and complete the Refund Request Form and submit as stated on the form.

REFUND DEADLINES

Students who officially withdraw from class by the refund deadline will be mailed a refund upon request only. It is imperative that a current address be on file in Admissions. Refunds may take up to four weeks after the receipt of the refund request. In most cases refunds will not be processed until after the refund deadline.

Financial Aid and Scholarships

There are frequent changes to federal and state regulations that may affect students' eligibility. The latest information about these and other changes is posted on the Financial Aid page of the College website: www.swccd.edu/financialaid.

The Financial Aid Office helps students who might otherwise be unable to continue their education because of financial challenges. Students who need financial assistance to attend Southwestern College are urged to contact the Financial Aid Office located in the Cesar E. Chavez Building.

Financial Aid means assistance for eligible students in the form of:

Board of Governors Fee Waiver

- Covers enrollment fees

Federal and State Grants

- Grants range from \$609 to \$5,550 (Pending final federal allotment)

Federal Work Study

- Work on campus, 15 hours per week employment

Loans

- Direct loans and emergency loans

These funds can help students who qualify for financial aid to meet their educational expenses such as fees, books, transportation, and room and board.

PLEASE APPLY EARLY

The Financial Aid staff will be happy to serve you and answer any questions you may have. For more information, come to Student Services Center in the Cesar E. Chavez Building or any of our Higher Education Centers at National City, Otay Mesa, or San Ysidro. You can call Financial Aid at (619) 482-6357, Monday and Tuesday, 8 a.m.–6:30 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.; Friday, 8 a.m.–1 p.m.

ELIGIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL AID

Conditions to be met by all students applying for financial aid are citizenship or permanent U.S. residency status, Selective Service, high school graduate or equivalency, and established financial need. In addition, all students must declare an educational objective at the time they begin receiving financial aid.

PELL GRANT

As of Fall 2012, the lifetime of the Pell Grant eligibility is six (6) full-time years (600%) at any college. The latest information about these and other changes is posted on the Financial Aid page of the College website: www.swccd.edu/financialaid.

The Federal Pell Grant Program provides need-based grants to low-income undergraduate and postbaccalaureate students to promote access to post-secondary education. Grant amounts are dependent on: the students expected family contribution; the cost of attendance; the student's enrollment status; and whether the student attends for the full academic year or less.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available at Southwestern College based on various factors, including: majors, career goals, grade point average, and club involvement. On-campus scholarships for continuing and transferring students are available each spring semester. Contact the Financial Aid Office for the Scholarship Application deadline. Scholarships are also available from outside sources. These scholarships are updated by the Financial Aid Office on a monthly basis. Selection criteria, award amounts, and application deadlines are determined by the donors.

Students are encouraged to stop by the Cesar E. Chavez Student Services Building, first floor, for more information. You may also find additional scholarship sources in the reference section of any library or at www.finaid.org or www.fastweb.com.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS FEE WAIVER (BOGFW)

The Board of Governors Fee Waiver (BOGFW) program is designed to ensure that the cost of registration fees at California community colleges is not a financial barrier to education for any qualifying California resident. Eligibility is determined based on the information given in the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or BOGFW application.