Purpose
The Director of the Student Financial Aid and Veteran Services oversees determination of eligibility and awards institutional funds to students. As appropriate, the CCC Foundation, and the District Governing Board approve significant changes to Institutional Aid awarding philosophy.

Definitions
None

Procedure
CCC Grant: Approximately 50% of tuition prorated for part-time status for students with reduced or no Pell. Priority to Arizona residents in degree and certificate programs. Funds may be applied towards tuition, fees, books, and other educational expenses.

CCC Scholarship: Approximately 50% of tuition prorated for part-time status. Priority to Arizona residents in degree and certificate programs with highest need and those who have completed the CCC scholarship application. Funds may be applied towards tuition, fees, books, and other educational expenses.

High School Scholarship: Up to 100% of tuition prorated for part-time status. Priority to Coconino County residents in degree and certificate programs with a high school GPA of at least 3.0. Funds may be applied towards tuition, fees, books, and other educational expenses.

Comet Promise: Full tuition to eligible students who are enrolled in six or more credit hours, qualify for the Federal Pell Grant, meet Coconino County residency criteria, a graduate of a Coconino County high school, home-school or GED, and maintain satisfactory academic progress. Students who are in a Non-Citizen or Dreamer status or have parents who are unable to sign the FAFSA may complete the Comet Promise application and must submit additional documentation as required by the CCC Financial Aid Office. Students must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress as defined by the CCC Financial Aid Office to be eligible for this award.

All Arizona Academic Team: Merit based scholarship for current CCC students going to a 4-year institution. Selection is determined by Student Affairs in conjunction with the Office of the President. Funds may be applied towards tuition, fees, books, and other educational expenses.

Emergency Loan: Up to $500 per term, unless approval is given by the Director of Student Financial Aid and Veteran Services. Limited to those eligible for financial aid. A processing fee shall be applied but may be waived on exception.

Employee Tuition Educational Assistance: Tuition reimbursements for CCC employees, spouses and dependents are awarded through Human Resources according to Procedure 420-01 Tuition Educational Assistance.
Purple Heart: A member of the Arizona National Guard who received a purple heart citation on or after September 11, 2001 or a former member of the Arizona National Guard who was medically discharged from the Arizona National Guard due to an injury or disability suffered during status under Title 10, United States Code, in weekend training status, in annual training status or in response to a state of emergency declared by the governor, is eligible for a full tuition waiver scholarship provided for in this section as defined by A.R.S. § 15-1808. Funds can only be applied towards tuition.

Peace Officers Memorial: Full tuition waiver for child or spouse of peace officer, correctional officer, fire fighter, emergency paramedic, or National Guard member killed in the line of duty. Also, for disabled National Guard members and disabled United States armed forces member as defined by A.R.S. § 15-1808. Funds can only be applied towards tuition.

Adult Education Scholarship: One-time full tuition between one to five credits for Arizona residents who have completed the College’s Adult Education program within one year before start of term. Completion of the Adult Education program is defined as receiving a High School Equivalency (GED) or achievement of English as a Second Language (ESL) level of 4 or higher through Coconino Community College. Funds can only be applied towards tuition.

Community Excellence Scholarship: Tuition waiver of full-time enrollment (12-15 credit hours per semester) for a one-year period to an Arizona resident intending to enroll or currently enrolled at Coconino Community College. This scholarship is awarded in honor of the person who was selected as the Distinguished Service Award winner according to Procedure 151-02 Distinguished Service Award. Selection is determined by the Office of the President and the Office of Student Financial Aid and Veterans Services. Funds can only be applied towards tuition.

Senior Tuition Waiver: Tuition waiver for Arizona residents who are 65 years of age and older. This waiver reduces tuition by 50% for up to six credit hours. Does not apply to non-credit courses, fees, books or class materials.

The Director of Financial Aid and Veteran Services may apply professional judgment consistent with state and federal regulations, College policy, and mission to adjust institutional aid awards and criteria.

References
A.R.S. § 15-1808
Procedure 420-01 Tuition Educational Assistance Procedure
Procedure 151-02 Distinguished Service Award Procedure
Title 10, United States Code

Procedure History
06/09/2010 New
11/14/2012 Revised and Approved by College Council
10/04/2017 Revised and Approved by College Council
07/19/2023 Revised Senior Tuition Waiver from 25% to 50% per FY24 Budget

Legal Review
None