



*Valencia Engaging for Completion Through Opportunities in Research (VECTOR)*

**VECTOR Scholarship Application**

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Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (if under 18 years of age) \_\_\_\_\_

Current Educational Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Date or Expected date of graduation from high school \_\_\_\_\_

Valencia ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship Status (check one)

U.S. Citizen \_\_\_\_\_ Resident \_\_\_\_\_ Refugee \_\_\_\_\_

**Please acknowledge each of the statements below by providing your initials on the corresponding blank line.**

I understand that if I receive a full or partial scholarship, I will be able to participate in VECTOR program activities and commit to completing program requirements. \_\_\_\_\_

I will declare a STEM Meta-Major at the start and through the duration of my VECTOR program participation. \_\_\_\_\_

I will maintain full-time status at Valencia College during my participation in the VECTOR program. \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend and complete the Summer STEM Institute (SSI) and VECTOR orientation activities prior to starting the VECTOR program \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**As the parent or guardian,**

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **Read this important application information before submitting your application.**

1. Please submit the following materials to [VECTOR@valenciacollege.edu](mailto:VECTOR@valenciacollege.edu) and include “APPLICANT: Your first and last name” in the subject line.
  - Complete the [VECTOR Program Application](#).
  - US citizenship, permanent resident, or refugee status will be verified by the financial aid office.
  - Submit a proofread personal essay indicating your interest and experience in STEM; formatted in 12-point font, double-spaced, and a maximum of 3 pages.
  - Submit an unofficial high school transcript. In addition, include any unofficial college transcripts if applicable.
  - If available, submit your PERT, Florida End-of-Course, FCAT, and/or college-level ACT/SAT Test Scores. If these scores have already been submitted to Valencia College, we will be able to verify through the College. When taking these assessments be sure to allow for sufficient result processing time so that you can submit these scores by the VECTOR deadline.
2. If available, you may send in a letter of recommendation from your Academic and Community/Volunteer References. They should be completed by someone who knows you well and who can provide detailed information about your STEM interest and co-curricular activities, success, and accomplishments. Letters must be sent by the reference directly to [VECTOR@valenciacollege.edu](mailto:VECTOR@valenciacollege.edu) with “Letter of Recommendation: Applicant’s Name” in the subject line. Letters of reference sent by the applicant will not be considered.
3. Complete the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) (FAFSA).
  - The FAFSA application can take 1-2 weeks to be sent to Valencia College. Valencia may request additional documentation (verification) that may prolong the process an additional 2-4 weeks. Submit your FAFSA early in order to meet the VECTOR deadline. Check your Atlas account frequently for updates.
4. If you are not currently a student of Valencia College, you must [apply to the Valencia College online admissions application](#). If you are intending to apply to Valencia College as a Florida resident, please visit Valencia College Admissions & Records to review Florida Residency requirements and processing time. Florida Residency applications should be submitted several weeks BEFORE the VECTOR deadline. VECTOR is unable to offer exceptions to the college deadline date.
5. Download the Valencia College [Enrollment Overview](#).
6. Be available for an onsite personal interview.