Financial Aid
Financial Aid helps students pay for college through grants, loans, work-study and scholarships. To be considered for financial aid, students need to submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.org. Application filing period begins January 1, with priority deadline ending March 2. Financial aid is awarded according to federal regulations.

Student financial aid is coordinated between SDSU & IVC, with SDSU being the primary institution. Courses taken at both institutions are combined to determine full-time status for financial aid.

Scholarships
Students with a 3.7 GPA or higher may be eligible for a scholarship covering tuition and fees for two years. Scholarship may vary year-to-year based on funding. More information will be available when students apply for admission.

A list of additional scholarships can be found at www.collegisnext.com. The website also includes information relevant to the high school four-year plan and college entrance exams.

For detailed information (program cost, application requirements, procedures and deadline) please visit our website at www.ivup.org.
The Imperial Valley University Partnership (IVUP) is an innovative educational initiative undertaken by Imperial Valley College and San Diego State University’s Imperial Valley Campus that will begin Fall 2012. The IVUP contains features that have shown to increase students’ success, among them a cohort structure, guaranteed access to classes, an introductory seminar, student and parent orientations, and a powerful emphasis on student advising and mentoring. The IVUP is a permanent program, initially admitting 100 students per academic year. The goal is to offer Imperial Valley students an accessible, affordable, high quality education with a clear path to a Bachelor’s degree in four years.

The IVUP is designed to provide students an enriched academic experience. It involves joint admission of students to IVC and SDSU-IV, meaning that students will apply and be admitted to both institutions.

This arrangement provides students a seamless transition between the first two years of their undergraduate education and the final two years. It also gives students full access to the resources – the faculty and staff; the classrooms and laboratories and libraries; the recreational and sports facilities; the scholarship opportunities; the cultural events and student life activities - of both institutions.

Initially IVUP will offer three majors:
- Criminal Justice
- Liberal Studies (focus in Literacy, Math or Science)
- Psychology

Future majors pending.

Classes will be held at both campuses. Students in the program have the option of obtaining an Associate’s degree from IVC while they are completing the requirements for the Bachelor’s degree from SDSU.

Admission Requirements

Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.0, based on grades earned in the 10-12th grade A-G pattern courses, which include:

- **English:** 4 years. Literature and/or Composition course acceptable.
- **Mathematics:** 3 years. Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II. Other advanced courses that require algebra and geometry as prerequisites are also acceptable. Computer programming courses do not fulfill the math requirements. A fourth year of Mathematics is highly recommended.
- **Social Science:** 2 years. Including one year of U.S. History and Government.
- **Laboratory Science:** 2 years. 1 year Biology and 1 year Physical Science.
- **Foreign Language:** 2 years of the same language.
- **Visual and Performing Arts:** 1 year (must be a year-long Visual and Performing Arts course in a single area). Visual Art, Dance, Drama/Theatre, or Music.
- **Electives:** Electives: 1 year. College preparatory courses selected from English, Advanced Mathematics, Social Studies, History, Laboratory Science, Agriculture, and Foreign Language.

A-G requirements must be completed with a grade of “C” or better in each course.

Eligible students must also submit either their SAT I or ACT scores. The minimum Eligibility Index required is a 2900 using the SAT I or 694 using the ACT.

\[(\text{High School GPA} \times 800) + \text{SAT I} = \text{Eligibility Index}\]
\[(\text{High School GPA} \times 200) + (10 \times \text{ACT composite score}) = \text{Eligibility Index}\]