

## FINANCIAL AID PROCESS FLORENCE 2027 – Preliminary Information

If you qualify for financial aid, then you can use it to help pay for your study abroad experience! But in order to receive your financial aid, you must take some extra steps. If you don't take them, you won't receive your financial aid while studying abroad.

Right now it's too soon to take these steps for the Florence Spring 2027 program; more details will be available here later, around the beginning of the fall 2026 semester. But just to give you a heads up on what to expect:

- **UPDATE YOUR FAFSA** (if you haven't already). You'll want to make sure your FAFSA is up-to-date. When the time comes, be sure you have filled out your FAFSA for 2026/2027, preferably by early March 2026.
- **CONSORTIUM SCHOOL CODES ON FAFSA IF YOU RECEIVE THE CALIFORNIA PROMISE GRANT.** When you are studying abroad, you'll almost certainly be taking classes not just from SRJC, but from other schools in our consortium. If you receive the California Promise Grant, your SRJC financial aid code will already be on your FAFSA—but it won't show on the other schools you might be taking a class through. Therefore, you'll be given the financial aid codes of the other schools and instructed to go to your FAFSA and put in those codes so you can get into their system and still receive the CA Promise Grant if you wind up taking a class through them.
- **QUESTIONS ABOUT FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY.** Eligibility for financial aid is based on your FAFSA, and only the SRJC Financial Aid Office can determine your eligibility. Toward the beginning of the fall 2026 semester, we'll provide you with contacts within the SRJC Financial Aid Office who will be able to assist you with any of your financial aid inquiries, especially in relation to studying abroad in Florence Spring 2027.
- **EVENTUAL FORMS.** In order to receive any financial aid that you qualify for, later in the fall 2026 semester, the SRJC Financial Aid Office will send you an email with some special forms for you to fill out. These forms will verify that you are taking some classes through another school in our Consortium and that you will therefore have a combined total of 12 units. **Without these forms, you won't receive financial aid while studying abroad.** Therefore, when the time comes, please take care of them as soon as possible!