

# CHAPTER 16

## FEDERAL PELL GRANT

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### CALCULATING AWARDS OUR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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#### IVC POLICIES

##### FORMULA

- IVC calculates Pell using Formula 1.
  - Students must be enrolled in either the Summer or Spring semester to receive retroactive awards for the Fall semester if the application is completed before the end of the semester.

#### ACADEMIC YEAR AWARD FEDERAL PELL GRANT

- The Pell Grant is the largest federal grant program and is the foundation of a student's total "aid package".
- **Eligibility:** Determined by federal government using a standard formula for all applicants based on FAFSA data.
- **Maximum Pell Grant:** \$6,195 based on full-time enrollment for school year (Fall 2019 and Spring 2020).
- **Pell Grant award amounts:** Adjusted if student enrolls in less than 12 units per semester.
- **Pell Grant is limited** to 6 fulltime years. This includes community college, vocational schools, four-year public and private universities. Limit is tracked by the U. S. Department of Education.
- **Bachelor's Degree:** Student no longer eligible, even if he/she has not received the entire 6 years of fulltime eligibility.
- **SAP:** Student must also meet and maintain [Satisfactory Academic Progress](#) standards to remain eligible each year.
- **Year Round Pell:** Beginning in the 2017-18 academic year, Pell Grant eligible students can receive up to 150% of their scheduled Pell Grant award each year. Student must attend at least halftime to access additional 50% eligibility.

#### SUMMER AWARD

##### SUMMER FEDERAL PELL GRANT

- **Eligibility for summer** is based on enrollment in the Fall and Spring semesters as IVC treats summer as an academic year trailer. If a student enrolled full-time (12+ units) and received the full-time Pell Grant award for Fall 2019 and Spring 2020, he or she must enroll at least half-time (6+ units) in summer classes to receive a summer Pell Grant. If a student enrolled part-time Fall 2019 or Spring 2020, there is no minimum unit requirement to receive a summer Pell Grant (unless required by the EFC). He or she can use the remainder of their annual Pell Grant amount during summer with no minimum unit requirement..
- **Deadlines:** If student has not applied: must complete the 2019-20 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) no later than June 30, 2020. Financial aid file must be completed with no missing requirements no later than July 30, 2020.
- **Continuing students** who did not receive max Pell Grant for 2019-20 award year will have Summer eligibility.
- **Expected Family Contribution (EFC)** as determined by U.S. Dept. of Education and enrollment status for Summer term will determine complete summer award.
- **Enrollment status** is determined by the number of enrolled units:

Enrollment Status	Units
$\frac{3}{4}$ time	9 (Maximum for summer)
$\frac{1}{2}$ time	6 to 8.5
Less than $\frac{1}{2}$ time	.5 to 5.5

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- **SAP:** At the end of Spring 2020, we will conduct an evaluation of academic progress and student must be identified as maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress standard (SAP) to be determined eligible for a Summer Pell Grant.
- **SAP Appeals for disqualification** are not considered for summer financial aid. Student must be making academic progress, as determined at the end of the spring term, to receive summer financial aid.

### **IVC PROCEDURES**

#### **TRANSFER PELL**

- Payment for transfer students is awarded once transfer monitoring file has been received from NSLDS and determination of aid at prior school is confirmed.

#### **PELL BY TERM**

- All financial aid payment periods are determined by terms.
- Pell awards are 50% for Fall and 50% for Spring, with winter intersession units rolled into Spring.
- Summer session is treated as a trailer with Pell Grant amounts based on Year Round Pell regulations as outlined in previous section.

#### **DEADLINES**

- Deadline dates to apply, to submit corrections to the processor, and to have a valid ISIR on file with the Financial Aid Office are established annually by the federal government. The deadline dates for submission of complete applications will be as follows:
  - For students not enrolled in Summer school, the deadline to complete a file with the Imperial Valley College Financial Aid Office is the date of the last scheduled instructional day for the spring term.
  - For students enrolled in Summer school, the deadline to complete a file with the Imperial Valley College Financial Aid Office is the date of the last scheduled instruction day for the summer term.

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### REQUIRED AND OPTIONAL RECALCULATIONS OUR PROCEDURES

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#### IVC POLICIES

- When the first valid ISIR is received during a term (and no disbursement for the term has been made for a student), the enrollment status we use is based on current enrollment

#### Our policies for optional recalculations:

- When a student's enrollment status changes before the freeze date, we recalculate Pell.
- When a student adds a course waitlisted before the freeze date, we recalculate Pell.
- When cost of attendance changes within a payment period, we recalculate Pell.

#### IVC PROCEDURES

##### REQUIRED RECALCULATIONS

- **Change in EFC**
  - Our method for catching EFC changes for Pell revisions is to require review of new ISIRs for previously locked ISIR records
- **Change in Enrollment Status BETWEEN Terms**
  - Our method for checking enrollment changes between terms is that enrollment status is determined independently each term.
- **Student Doesn't Begin Attendance in All Classes WITHIN a Term**
  - A system generated report alerts us when a student has been reported as not having started a class.

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## DURATION OF ELIGIBILITY OUR PROCEDURES

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### LIFETIME ELIGIBILITY USED (LEU)

- IVC monitors LEU status codes (see below) as reported on the ISIR record and FA History records from NSLDS. This information is used for packaging.
- Student is notified of Pell of high LEU via WEBSTAR

PLEU – ISIR LIFETIME LIMIT FLAG CODES		
CODE	CATEGORY	EFFECT
N	LEU OF LESS THAN 400%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Pell award will be awarded as normal.</li> <li>▪ Even if s/he receives a full Scheduled Award, s/he will not go over the 600% LEU maximum.</li> </ul>
H	LEU GREATER THAN 450%  BUT LESS THAN  OR EQUAL TO 500%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Will likely have Pell eligibility.</li> <li>▪ Eligibility may be reduced if another Pell disbursement is reported after a report has been created.                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▫ This could place student's baseline LEU over 500%.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
C	LEU GREATER THAN 500%  BUT LESS THAN 600%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Will NOT have full Pell eligibility.</li> <li>▪ Baseline LEU has less than 100% remaining.</li> </ul>
E	LEU 600% OR HIGHER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Will have NO Pell eligibility</li> <li>▪ Has already exceeded the maximum lifetime eligibility used amount as defined in the CAA.</li> </ul>

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### FISCAL RECORDS AND DISBURSEMENT REQUIREMENTS OUR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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#### IVC POLICIES

- IVC provides a way for a student who is eligible for a Pell Grant to obtain 25% of their Pell Grant eligibility to purchase books prior to the start of school.

#### IVC PROCEDURES

##### DISBURSEMENT OF BOOKS AND SUPPLIES POLICY

- If financial aid has been finalized and eligibility determined approximately 10 days prior to the start of the semester, and student is eligible for a financial aid refund, student will receive the first financial aid 25% disbursement of Pell Grant funds the week before Fall or Spring semester begins.
- These funds are available to purchase books, supplies and other educational expenses.
- The first 50% of Pell funds are available the first week of summer session unless the student is pending Satisfactory Academic Progress evaluation.
- The amount is determined based on the number of units student is enrolled in and individual eligibility on the date the disbursement process is run.
- Student may Check "Account Summary by Term" section of WEBSTAR the week before school begins to determine if they have funds available.

#### RECONCILIATION

**Refer to:** CHAPTER 3.3 FISCAL MANAGEMENT – *Reconciliation*