

CHAPTER 16

FEDERAL PELL GRANT

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16.1

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:** \$6,095 based on full-time enrollment for school year (Fall 2018 and Spring 2019).
- **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 2018-19 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 2018 and Spring 2019, 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 2018 or Spring 2019, 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 2018-19 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) no later than June 30, 2019. Financial aid file must be completed with no missing requirements no later than July 25, 2019.
- **Continuing students** who did not receive max Pell Grant for 2017-18 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 2019, 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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- 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"> ▪ Pell award will be awarded as normal. ▪ Even if s/he receives a full Scheduled Award, s/he will not go over the 600% LEU maximum.
H	LEU GREATER THAN 450% BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 500%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Will likely have Pell eligibility. ▪ Eligibility may be reduced if another Pell disbursement is reported after a report has been created. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ This could place student's baseline LEU over 500%.
C	LEU GREATER THAN 500% BUT LESS THAN 600%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Will NOT have full Pell eligibility. ▪ Baseline LEU has less than 100% remaining.
E	LEU 600% OR HIGHER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Will have NO Pell eligibility ▪ Has already exceeded the maximum lifetime eligibility used amount as defined in the CAA.

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FISCAL RECORDS AND DISBURSEMENT REQUIREMENTS OUR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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- 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*