



# Summer Pell Questions

## **Are you taking classes this summer?**

Did you know that you can now receive a Federal Pell Grants to help pay for their summer semester! Beginning summer 2018, year-round Pell Grants allow students to receive additional grant funds to take summer classes and graduate sooner.

## **What does this mean for you?**

In the past, eligible students only received Federal Pell Grant for the summer semester if they had not attended full-time for the fall or spring semesters (meaning, enrollment in 12 or more credits each semester). Now, with the implementation of “Year-Round Pell,” students who attend full-time for the fall and spring semesters will still be eligible for a Pell Grant award if they are enrolled at least half-time (6 hours) during the summer.

## **What do you need to do get a Pell Grant in the summer?**

You will automatically be evaluated for summer Pell Grant eligibility along with other financial aid eligibility based on your summer enrollment.

## **How much can I receive in a Pell Grant for the summer?**

If you are enrolled full-time (12+ hours), you can receive an amount equal to the amount you received as a full-time student in the fall or spring semester. If you are enrolled half-time (6 hours) for the summer, you can receive half the full-time amount you received in the fall or spring semester. You must be enrolled at least half-time (6 hours) to receive additional Pell Grant in the summer.

## **What other financial aid is available for the summer?**

Students taking at least 6 hours in the summer are also eligible for any remaining annual Federal Direct Stafford Loan eligibility. Additional credit-based loan options are available for students that do not have any remaining Federal Direct Stafford Loan eligibility.

Students will automatically be considered for summer grant eligibility. Grant eligible students will receive at least \$500 for half-time (6 hours) enrollment or \$1,000 for full-time (12+ hours) enrollment in the summer.

## **Interested in Free Summer Housing?**

Students taking classes in the summer may also be eligible for free summer housing. Please visit the housing website or contact the housing office for further information. Applications for free summer housing will be available April 1, 2018.