

Summer 2018 Pell Grant Important Information

The U.S. Education Department has recently implemented Year-Round Pell Grants, allowing students to receive up to 150% of a regular grant award over the course of the academic year (Fall, Spring, Summer) so that they can continue taking classes in the Summer and finish their degrees faster than they would otherwise.

What does this mean for you?

Previously, eligible students only received Pell Grant for the Summer semester if they had not exhausted their full-time Pell Grant award during the previous Fall and Spring semesters (enrolled in 12+ units each term). With the implementation of Year-Round Pell, students who attend full-time for Fall and Spring semesters may still be eligible to receive Pell Grant award as long as they meet all requirements.

To be considered for a Summer 2018 Pell Grant Award at CR:

1. You are encouraged to complete your 2017/2018 CR financial aid file prior to the start of the Summer term, May 21, 2018 (**processed FAFSA and all required documents submitted**). Students who have not met this deadline are encouraged to turn in all required documents prior to the end of the Summer session to ensure adequate time for processing.
2. If your financial aid is suspended based on your Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) status and you have extenuating circumstances, the appeal deadline for Summer is July 6, 2018.
3. You must enroll in and maintain enrollment in at least one CR class for the Summer 2018 semester. Classes taken outside CR will not be counted towards your total enrollment.
4. Any Pell Grant disbursed will be included in your Pell Lifetime Eligibility Used (LEU). The limit for Pell is 600%.
5. Summer Pell Grant can not be awarded for waitlisted classes. You must be officially enrolled in the class by the Enrollment Status Dates shown on the disbursement schedule to have those units count towards your enrollment level. Remember you should only be enrolling in classes that are required for your academic program.
6. The Summer Pell Grant awarding is manual and difficult to process due to the varying start and end dates of Summer classes. For this reason, it is not possible for us to give you an estimate of your Summer award prior to the disbursement date(s).
7. If you withdraw from or do not complete all of your Summer classes, you may have to repay funds received based on the date you dropped or withdrew from classes. You will be notified by mail if you are required to repay funds.
8. Summer classes count towards Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP). If you are on warning status and you do not meet the minimum standards for Summer, or you reach the unit limit after Summer, your aid will be suspended and you will not be eligible for financial aid for the Fall term. There is very little time between Summer term grade processes and the beginning of the Fall term, so you may not be notified prior to the start of the Fall term.

If you were awarded a California College Promise Grant (formerly known as the Board of Governors Fee Waiver) for the 2017/2018 year, it is still applicable for Summer.

If you were awarded the CR College Access Award, it does not cover your Summer enrollment fees.