

Las Positas College SUMMER 2021 PELL GRANTS AND YEAR-ROUND PELL

Pell grants are available in the summer with some restrictions.

For Financial Aid, the award year is Fall, Spring, Summer allowing for any unused Pell Grant from Fall or Spring to be awarded in Summer if the student is eligible. Summer Pell is part of the 2020-2021 School year.

New/High School Students

New students and entering recent High School graduates must complete and submit the 2020-2021 FAFSA to determine eligibility. The deadline for completing the 2020-2021 FAFSA is June 30, 2021. If qualified, the student's financial aid file must be completed as soon as possible before the college can authorize a refund. The absolute deadline to complete a file for payment is September 3, 2021, after which we will not be able to authorize retroactive payments.

Continuing Students

If a current student already has received the Pell Grant during the previous Fall and/or Spring semesters, any unused funds remaining from their annual award that wasn't disbursed in fall and spring can be disbursed during summer, based on their enrollment status and academic progress. If the student has received all of their Pell Grant award prior to summer, under the Year Round Pell program they will receive an additional summer Pell award only if enrolled in at least 6 units in summer. Such students must complete at least 6 units or will owe a complete refund of any Pell grant paid in summer.

The summer Pell grant award is based on current units of enrollment and is updated regularly to reflect changes in enrollment.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a summer Pell Grant, you must:

- Have completed a 2020-2021 FAFSA and submitted all requirements on Class Web
- Be Pell Grant eligible according to your FAFSA
- Enroll in summer classes (wait-listed courses don't count until you are officially enrolled)
- In many cases, there is a requirement to enroll at least half-time (6+ credits)
- Be meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards (<http://www.laspositascollege.edu/financialaid/sap.php>)
- *Have lifetime Pell Grant eligibility (LEU) remaining

*Lifetime Pell Grant Eligibility:

The maximum timeframe that students may receive Federal Pell Grant is the equivalent of twelve full-time semesters, or six full-time years (600%). One full-time semester of Pell equals 50%. You can check for your remaining eligibility level online by logging on to NSLDS (<https://nslsds.ed.gov>) using your FSA ID. View your Lifetime Eligibility Units (LEU) on the Financial Aid Review page.

SUMMER REFUND DATES

There are two scheduled refund dates. You receive 50% of your award on each date.

June 22, 2021	50% of summer award
July 13, 2021	50% of summer award

July 6, 2021 is the 'frozen enrollment date' for Summer Pell grants

If you add or drop units between the first and second refund, your summer award will be adjusted and 'frozen' based on your enrollment on 7/6/20. You will be eligible for the difference between your adjusted award as of 7/6/20, and what you received for the first disbursement. Your adjusted enrollment on 7/6/20 determines your final eligibility for summer Pell. Because of this, you may be required to repay some of your Pell grant received if you dropped units since your first payment and it resulted in an overpayment based on your adjusted enrollment.

Minimum Credits for Summer Pell Grant

If you enrolled full-time (12+ credits) and received the full-time Pell Grant amount for fall 2020 and spring 2021, you must maintain at least halftime (6 units) enrollment in summer classes to receive a summer Pell Grant. You will owe a full refund of your Pell grant if you drop below 6 units.

If you enrolled part-time Fall 2020 or spring 2021, there is no minimum credit requirement to receive a summer Pell Grant, *unless required by your Expected Family Contribution (EFC)*. You can receive up to the remaining amount of your annual Pell Grant amount during summer with no minimum credit requirement.

To determine minimum credits required to receive a Pell grant based on your EFC, please review this semester chart to determine the amount you are eligible for during the term based on your level of enrollment and your EFC: <http://www.laspositascollege.edu/financialaid/assets/docs/20-21/2021%20PELL%20PAYMENT%20CHART%20LPC-semester.pdf>

Pell Grant Amount Depends on Your Enrollment

Your summer Pell Grant amount will depend on the number of credits you are registered in. The Pell Grant amount will be adjusted just prior to the release (disbursement) of your aid based on your enrollment level. Enrollment levels are defined in the following manner:

- Fulltime= 12+ credits = 100% of the semester Pell Grant amount
- Three-quarter time = 9-11 credits = 75% of the semester Pell Grant amount
- Halftime =6-8 credits = 50% of the semester Pell Grant amount
- *Less-than-halftime = .5 – 5.5 units (*Eligibility and amount depends on student's EFC. Only students whose EFC is between 0 – 1000 qualify for payment if enrolled less than halftime.*)

SUMMER ENROLLMENT REALITY CHECK!

6 units in summer is equivalent to the workload of a fulltime student during a normal term.

Courses contain the same amount of work, but you have less than half the number of weeks to complete that work.

If you don't think you could handle 24 units in a regular semester, you shouldn't enroll in 12 units for summer...you may set yourself up to lose your financial aid for the fall term!

Please do not enroll into additional units just to receive more money unless you can handle the workload.

You are still required to earn 67% of units attempted with a 2.0 minimum GPA in summer. Not meeting these standards in summer may cause you to be disqualified to receive financial aid in fall 2021!

THINK! It's not worth the extra money if it causes you to lose your future eligibility!

Dropping, Withdrawing, or Failing Classes in summer (Return to Title IV)

It is possible that you could owe money back for all or part of your Summer Federal Pell Grant if you do not complete classes that you registered for in the summer. The amount you may owe will be calculated based on the drop date, the amount of Pell you received compared to the amount you were eligible for, and the last day that you attended classes.

Students who receive an additional Summer Pell grant who received full-time Pell in both fall and spring will owe 100% of their summer Pell grant back if they do not complete at least 6 units in summer, per federal regulations.

Return to Title IV Rules apply in summer for students who receive a Pell grant and later withdraw from all classes, or earn 0 units for the term. Students may be required to repay part or all of the funds received, and will be disqualified for the following fall term.

EXAMPLES OF HOW SUMMER YEAR-ROUND PELL (YRP) WORKS

Each example below includes a student with an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of '0000' who is eligible for a \$6346 annual Pell grant, or \$3173 for the fall semester and \$3172 for the spring semester.

Example 1: Student has remaining Pell from their fall and spring awards:

Student attended full-time for fall and halftime for spring. They received \$4760 out of their \$6345 award, with \$1585 remaining for summer. They will be eligible to receive \$457 if enrolled less than halftime, or \$1585 if enrolled halftime, from their remaining 2020-2021 Pell award.

Example 2: Student received their full \$6345 Pell award during fall and spring terms.

If student enrolls in at least 6 units in summer, they will qualify for an additional Pell award under the Year Round Pell program.

This student could receive an additional \$1587 if enrolled in 6 – 8.5 units, \$2380 if enrolled in 9 – 11.5 units, or \$3173 if enrolled in 12 or more credits. ****Please note: If this student drops below 6 units during summer, they will owe 100% of their summer Pell grant back.**

Example 3: Student has remaining Pell from their fall and spring awards:

Student attended full-time in fall and three quarter time in spring. They received \$5553 out of their \$6345 award, with \$792 remaining for summer.

Student will receive up to \$792 (based on their summer enrollment) out of their remaining 2020-2021 Pell award for enrollment up to 5.5 units. If student enrolls in 6 or more units, they will receive additional funds from year round Pell so that they also qualify for the amount they are normally eligible for in a regular semester. *For example, if the student enrolls halftime, they will receive \$1587; \$792 would come from the remaining 2020-2021 award, and \$795 would come from year round Pell.* ****Please note: if student receives any funds from year round Pell and drops below 6 units during summer, they will owe 100% of the funds back that were received from the year-round Pell (but not from remaining funds from their initial award).**

Check your CLASS- Web Financial Aid tab to review your Pell award.

Please email the Financial Aid Office, from your secure Zonemail account, at lpcfinaid@laspositascollege.edu and include your W number if you have questions.