

# Pell Grant Schedules & Disbursements

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The Pell grant is awarded as a dollar amount to be used for the award year (2 trimesters). As of July 1, 2017, the Department of Education has introduced the option for you to receive additional Pell grant funds if you max out your Pell grant before the new FAFSA year begins (FAFSA years start on July 1st). Click [here](#) for more information on Year-Round Pell.

Pell is awarded based on credit hours attended in the term. If you attend more credits you will get more Pell, but your bill will also increase.

Currently, a Pell Grant is not sufficient cover the full cost of your class(es) so you will need to cover the remaining balance by [accepting student loans](#) or making out of pocket payments. Pell grant amounts can change from year to year and are set by the Department of Education.

Your Pell grant is automatically accepted and will pay out in each term on the "Approximate FA Disbursement Date" as seen on the academic calendar.

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