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WLU Pell Recalculation Policy

Pell Recalculation Date / Financial aid Freeze Date Policy

The Pell recalculation date, also known as the Financial Aid freeze date, is a date in which the Financial Aid Office locks your enrollment. Your enrollment on this established date will determine your eligible Pell grant amount. Any classes that are added or dropped after this date will not impact (neither increase nor decrease) your Pell grant award for the semester. However, if considered withdrawn (officially or unofficially) or do not begin attending class(es) for which you were given the Pell grant, you will be subject to a recalculation of federal financial aid dollars.

Withdrawing prior to the Pell Recalculation Date

If you withdraw after beginning class but prior to the Pell recalculation date, the enrollment status established on the date of your withdrawal will be used to determine your Pell eligibility. If you add a course after the Pell recalculation date, and then subsequently withdraw, the enrollment status established on the Pell recalculation date will be used to determine your Pell eligibility.

Post Pell Recalculation Date – Initial Enrollment

If not enrolled as of the Pell recalculation date, but you enroll after this established date, your initial enrollment will be used to determine your Pell eligibility.

Initial FAFSA received after the Pell Recalculation Date

If your FAFSA is received after the established Pell recalculation date, your enrollment on the date the Pell grant is initially calculated will be used to determine your Pell grant eligibility.

Eligibility Determined After the Pell Recalculation Date

If a student becomes eligible for Pell grant funds after the Pell recalculation date, the student's Pell grant eligibility will be based on their enrollment as of the established Pell recalculation (freeze) date for that semester. Some examples of this would include a successful appeal of satisfactory academic progress, completion of verification, adjustments to the FAFSA from a special circumstance form, or resolution of certain FAFSA comment codes. Enrollment changes occurring after the freeze date will not be considered when determining Pell Grant eligibility in these cases.

Pell Recalculation Dates

The Pell recalculation dates, on which your financial aid will be frozen, are as follows:

- Fall/Spring: Last date of the add/drop period for full semester courses based on the [*academic calendar*](#). This is 10 days after the start of each semester.
- Summer: Last date of add/drop for the first 6 week summer semester based on the [*academic calendar*](#).

Important: Only courses you attend are used to determine your eligibility for the Pell Grant. Failure to attend classes will result in a mandatory recalculation of Pell grant funds resulting in a reduction to your grant amount.