Summer Pell Grant Policy

Savannah State University is required by the U.S. Department of Education to establish a policy on awarding and disbursing Summer Pell Grant. With the federal government’s implementation of the new “Year-Round Pell”, students may be eligible for a second schedule award of Pell Grant for the Summer term although the full award has been utilized Fall and Spring Semesters.

Summer 2010 will be considered as part of the 2009-2010 award year, therefore, not implementing the 2010-2011 rules until the start of Summer 2011 and for subsequent Summer terms. This allows Savannah State University to delay the requirement of tracking progression and using the upcoming year’s EFC.

**Summer Semester 2010**

To qualify for a second schedule Pell Grant award:
- A student must be enrolled, Summer term, at least half-time (6 credit hours or more). If a student will not be half-time until the second or third session, Pell will be applied, but removed if student fails to meet this requirement.
- If portions of the 2009-2010 Pell Grant award remains after Spring Semester, the remainder would be applied towards the Summer Semester, as usual, and a second schedule award paying Pell Grant, appropriately, based on the EFC.
- Hours will be verified prior to awarding, disbursing, and throughout the term.
- Students will be notified via the normal award notification procedures.

Not qualifying for a second schedule Pell Grant award:
- If portions of the 2009-2010 Pell Grant award remains after Spring Semester, the remainder would be applied towards the Summer Semester.
- Students will be notified via the normal award notification procedures.

**Summer Semester 2011 and Subsequent Summer Semesters**

To qualify for a second schedule Pell Grant award:
- A student must have completed 30 credit hours Fall and Spring Semesters combined.
- A student must be enrolled, Summer term, at least half-time (6 credit hours or more). If a student will not be half-time until the second or third session, Pell will be applied, but removed if student fails to meet this requirement.
- If next year’s FAFSA is on file, award will be made from the FAFSA yielding the higher award.
- Hours will be verified prior to awarding, disbursing, and throughout the term.
- Students will be notified via the normal award notification procedures.

**Exception:**
If a student has not completed 30 credit hours by the end of the academic year (Fall and Spring), he/she may still be entitled to a full Pell award by enrolling at least half-time Summer term. A portion of those hours will be added back to the Fall/Spring total credit hours to give him/her 30 hours and at least one hour must remain and be counted towards the start of the new academic year.
- If portions of that year’s Pell Grant award remains after Spring Semester, the remainder would be applied towards the Summer Semester, as usual, and a second schedule award paying Pell Grant, appropriately, based on the ISIR used.
Not qualifying for a second schedule Pell Grant award:

- If portions of that year’s Pell Grant award remains after Spring Semester, the remainder would be applied towards the Summer Semester.
- Students will be notified via the normal award notification procedures.

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