

Federal Pell Grant, S.C. Need Based Grant and LIFE Scholarship Recipients

Year-round Pell Grant began summer 2018. If you have attended full-time (at least 12 credit hours) during the **fall 2025 and spring 2026** semesters, you may be eligible for additional Pell funding for the **summer 2026** semester. The S.C. Need Based Grant will not be awarded for the summer semester. Life recipients cannot receive Lottery Tuition Assistance in the summer semester. If you plan to attend the **summer 2026** semester, please plan accordingly and budget for your costs. *Effective summer 2015 eligible LIFE recipients may use one of their terms of eligibility during the summer. Inquire in the Financial Aid Office for information regarding eligibility requirements.*

Federal Direct Loan Recipients

Loans are originated with the U.S. Department of Education after completion of the Direct Loan Request form, and it is determined that you meet all eligibility requirements. Even though the financial aid award letter may reflect Direct Loan funds, the proceeds will not be reflected in your estimated financial aid in your student account until you have completed entrance counseling and signed a Master Promissory Note (MPN). Students borrowing for their education should only borrow what they need and can reasonably repay. Loan money can only be used for education-related expenses. These expenses would include tuition, fees, books, supplies, living expenses (rent, utilities, groceries, etc.), and travel expenses. Federal student loan funds should not be used for non-educational expenses. Any excess funds remaining after institutional charges have been paid are disbursed to the student each term and it is the student's ethical responsibility to use these funds for educational purposes only.

When Is Fee Payment Due?

Fall 2025-August 04, 2025

Spring 2026-January 3, 2026

Summer 2026-May 04, 2026

When Can I Go to The BookInn to Purchase Books?

Fall 2025

August 4, 2025 – October 01, 2025

Spring 2026

December 01, 2025 – February 18, 2026

Summer 2025

May 04, 2026 – May 27, 2026

How Do I Get My Check?

If you have a credit balance remaining after your tuition, fee or book costs have been charged, your check will be mailed (update your address in the Records Office) on the following dates:

Fall 2025-October 15, 2025

Spring 2026- March 4, 2026

Summer 2026-June 10, 2026

Return to Title IV (R2T4) Policy

Your federal financial aid eligibility must be recalculated if you completely withdraw, drop out, are dismissed, or take a leave of absence prior to completing **60%** of a term. If you enroll in at least one class during the full term, your R2T4 calculation for all your classes will be based on the date for the full term. The following dates represent the **60%** point of each term:

Fall 2025

Full Fall-October 29, 2025
1st 5 Week-October 21, 2025
2nd 5 Week-November 25, 2025
Flex 10 Week-November 12, 2025
1st 7.5 Week-September 20, 2025
2nd 7.5 Week-November 25, 2025

Spring 2026

Full Spring-March 18, 2026
1st 5 Week-March 4, 2026
2nd 5 Week-April 21, 2026
Flex 10 Week-March 31, 2026
1st 7.5 Week-February 16, 2026
2nd 7.5 Week-April 8, 2026

Summer 2026

Full Summer-July 01, 2026
1st 5 Week-June 10, 2026
2nd 5 Week-July 15, 2026
Flex 10 Week -June 2, 2026
1st 7 Week-July 9, 2026

Federal financial aid includes the Federal Pell Grant, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG), Success Network and Federal Direct Loans. **A student who does not complete at least 60% of a term will owe a repayment to the College and/or the federal government the amount of unearned financial aid.**

This policy is printed in the SCC Catalog under College Costs.

Federal Work Study Program

The Federal Work Study - also known as FWS or Work Study - program is a federal student aid program which provides part-time jobs for eligible students. There are many opportunities for employment through FWS at SCC, including student services, bookstore, SCC Foundation and more! Since positions are limited, students should apply early. Interested students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year. For more information about the FWS program, contact the SCC Financial Aid Office Ladda Koulavongsa 592-4446 koulavongsal@scsc.edu

Never Attending a Class, Eligible Courses and Repeating Courses

If you register for a class and do not attend at least one time, you cannot receive financial aid for that class. Before receiving a check, you should go to the Records Office and officially withdraw from any class that you have never attended and check with the Financial Aid Office to make sure your award amount is correct. You will be responsible for repaying any financial aid overpayment that you receive because of never attending a class.

You must be enrolled in an eligible program and meet all other eligibility criteria to receive financial aid. Federal aid will pay only for those courses required for graduation or as a prerequisite for courses required in your program. Academic advisors may report to the Financial Aid Office any student who is enrolled in a class that is not required for his or her program of study.

**** For federal aid programs only, once a student has completed a course two times, that course cannot count in the enrollment status.**