

Summer Financial Aid at Pearl River Community College*

***SUMMER PELL FUNDING for the summer 2011 semester is contingent upon final funding of the Title IV Pell Grant program through passage of FY2011-2012 budget currently being debated in Congress. Should summer Pell Grant become unavailable, students will be notified via their PRCC email accounts.**

Students who need funds for Summer School must:

- Submit a **Summer 2011 Financial Aid Application** by May 13, 2011.
- Be a regular PRCC student enrolled in a certificate, diploma or degree program. Transient/Guest or non-degree-seeking students are not eligible for financial aid through MGCCC.
- Meet the PRCC Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy at the end of the spring 2011 term.

WHAT'S HAPPENING for SUMMER 2011?

Students have an opportunity to move closer to meeting educational goals and completing college when taking summer courses. In the past, students were not eligible for a summer Pell Grant award if they were enrolled full time during the fall and spring semesters.

Continuing with the 2010-2011 school year, students are eligible for a **Second Pell Grant** award if they:

- Have received 100% of a First Scheduled Pell Grant award prior to the summer semester.
- Register for at least **six (6) hours during the summer semester.**
- Will complete at least 24 hours with a passing grade between Fall 2010 and the end of summer semester
- Meet the PRCC Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy at the end of the spring 2011 semester.

SUMMER 2011 AWARD POLICY

- Summer financial aid eligibility will be based on the results of the 2010-2011 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and/or 2011-2012 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Financial aid eligibility for the summer semester will be based on total enrollment for all sessions within the summer semester.
- A student's remaining Pell Grant eligibility will be awarded to the student who was enrolled part-time only for fall and spring semesters, or who was enrolled for only one semester.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- TRANSFER students must be fully admitted and degree-seeking for a PRCC certificate, diploma or associate's degree program in order to receive financial aid for summer enrollment.
- TRANSIENT/GUEST students (those who are taking courses to transfer back to the school from where they are seeking a degree) should check with the **HOME** institution about eligibility.
- Students who receive a **Second Pell Grant** award and subsequently drop below 6 hours may be subject to cancellation and repayment of all financial aid.
- Students who do not begin courses for the second-term session may lose all or a portion of student aid eligibility. Check with the financial aid office before making enrollment changes.
- "Accelerating" the completion of your program of study through summer enrollment will also accelerate progress toward reaching or exceeding the maximum time frame for federal financial aid eligibility. Please visit www.prcc.edu to review the PRCC Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy or visit a campus financial aid office to check your status.
- **Students utilizing 2011-2012 Pell Grant proceeds during the summer 2011 semester must be aware that they may not have Pell Grant funds available to them for the spring 2012 semester.**