

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR FINANCIAL AID



STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR PELL AND/OR TAP MUST BE ENROLLED IN AT LEAST 12 CREDITS THAT ARE WORKING TOWARD THEIR DEGREE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THEIR FULL AWARD

If a student is enrolled in less than 12 required credits, Pell is prorated (reduced). TAP is more strict. It is canceled completely if a student is enrolled in less than 12 required credits. Classes over and above the 12 credit requirement do not affect aid.



STUDENTS MUST BE ENROLLED IN AT LEAST 6 CREDITS THAT ARE WORKING TOWARD THEIR DEGREE TO RECEIVE FEDERAL LOANS

Students are discouraged from borrowing the full loan amount available when they are only enrolled half time.



THERE IS NO FINANCIAL AID BENEFIT TO RECEIVING AN INCOMPLETE GRADE INSTEAD OF A WITHDRAWAL

An "I" converts to an "F" in the absence of a successful grade.



EXCESSIVE WITHDRAWALS CAN COST A STUDENT THEIR ELIGIBILITY

Federal aid (Pell and loans) requires students to earn credit for 2/3 of all the classes they attempt. TAP eligibility is contingent on the number of credits completed in the previous semester (between 6 and 12 must be completed in previous semester depending on how many TAP payments the student has already received).



STUDENTS MUST ACHIEVE A CUMULATIVE GPA OF 2.0

The GPA requirement for federal aid (Pell and loans) is slightly lower than 2.0 for freshman. The TAP GPA requirement is slightly lower than 2.0 for freshman and sophomores.



FEDERAL AID CANNOT BE AWARDED BEYOND 150% OF A PROGRAM'S LENGTH

For example, a student enrolled in a 120 credit hour program cannot receive federal aid after 180 credits are attempted.

STUDENTS CAN EASILY CHECK THEIR STATUS IN BANNER WEB UNDER "REGISTRATION COMPLIANCE RESULTS"