How Your Enrollment May Affect Your Award Amount

Your award amounts will likely change if you enroll less than full time. Your online award is based on the assumption that you will be enrolled full time, 12 semester credits or more. Your financial aid will prorate on the third week of the semester at which time we will lock your semester credit hours and your financial aid will neither increase nor decrease for the rest of the semester for classes you attend.

Programs That May be Affected

Some award amounts will be reduced or canceled if you enroll in fewer than 12 units. You must be enrolled at least half time to receive an amount from most awards, including student loans. If you enroll less than half time, you begin your grace period and repayment of your student loans.

These are some of the financial aid programs and how the award amounts may be affected by your enrollment:

- Pell Grant prorates based on your enrollment
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG), Cal Grants (B and C), Direct Student Loans require half-time enrollment
- Some scholarships require that you enroll full time to receive the funds
- Full-Time Student Success Grant (FTSSG) requires full time enrollment and be a recipient of Cal Grant-B.
- Community College Completion Grant requires 15 units per semester and be a recipient of Cal Grant-B.

Adding or Dropping Units

Disbursement of financial aid is based upon the number of semester credits in which you are enrolled at the time your aid is released.

If you add classes after your financial aid has been disbursed

- You may be entitled to additional funds, which will be released during the next disbursement.
- If you have received all of your awarded funds, be prepared to pay any additional costs due to added out-of-state tuition (tuition increases for each class you add) or class lab fees, etc.

If you drop classes after some of your financial aid funds have been disbursed prior to census We assume that you will enroll full time; therefore, your financial aid could be reduced. If you drop credits after receiving funds (based on full-time status), you may be required to repay some or all of the funds (Financial Aid Office will send you a notification of the balance you owe).

Dropping units after census

If you drop units after census, you may not be required to repay financial aid funds. However, because your enrollment has changed, your successful completion rate will decrease. This will not affect your current financial aid, but you need to be aware of how it affects Satisfactory Academic Progress.