

# YEAR-ROUND PELL FAQs

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## *Q1: What is Year-Round Pell Grant?*

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A1: The US Department of Education Appropriations Act, 2017, allows a student to receive Federal Pell Grant funds for up to 150 percent of the student's Pell Grant Scheduled Award for an award year. The additional amount Pell Grant received as part of the year-round Pell payments is counted in determining the student's Lifetime Eligibility Used (LEU). This means that the Pell Grant awarded for the Summer semester will be included in the student's 600% maximum Pell LEU. This provision is effective beginning with the 2017-2018 award year.

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## *Q2: Will I be eligible for Year-Round Pell?*

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A2: To be eligible for the additional Pell Grant funds, the student must be otherwise eligible to receive Pell Grant funds for the payment period and must be enrolled at least half-time, in the payment period(s) for which the student receives the additional Pell Grant funds in excess of 100 percent of the student's Pell Grant Scheduled Award.

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*Q3: When will I know if I am eligible for Year-Round Pell?*

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A3: Southern University and A&M College Office of Student Financial Aid will make available your available Year-Round Pell in early April 2018. The available amount will be calculated based on your Pell Grant usage and remaining eligibility at the 100% scheduled award plus the additional 50%.

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*Q4: How much may I receive in Year-Round Pell?*

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**Below are various scenarios in which a student is awarded Year-Round Pell.**

Scenario 1: **Student A** has a zero EFC and is eligible for a full Federal Pell Grant for the 17-18 aid year. Student A was enrolled full time for the Fall and Spring semesters and received full Pell disbursements based on the enrolled academic credits. With the new implementation of Year-Round Pell (SUMMER PELL); the student will now be eligible to receive a full disbursement in SUMMER (provided the student enrolls as a full-time student for the Summer semester).

<b>Scenario 1</b>	<b>Fall 17 201810</b>	<b>Spring 18 201820</b>	<b>Summer 18 201830</b>
Enrollment	12 credit hours	12 credit hours	12 credit hours
EFC	0	0	0
Pell awarded	\$2960 (50%)	\$2960 (50%)	\$2960 (50%)

**Scenario 2: Student B** has a zero EFC and is eligible for a full Federal Pell Grant for the 17-18 aid year. Student B was enrolled full time for the Fall and Spring semesters and received full Pell disbursements based on credits enrolled. With the new implementation of SUMMER PELL; the student will now be eligible to receive a full disbursement in the SUMMER based on eligibility for 6 credits.

<b>SCENARIO 3</b>	<b>Fall 17 201810</b>	<b>Spring 18 201820</b>	<b>Summer 18 201830</b>
Enrollment	12 credit hours	9 credit hours	12 credit hours
EFC	0	0	0
Pell awarded	\$2960 (50%)	\$2220 (37%)	\$2960 (50%)

**Scenario 3: Student C** has a zero EFC and is eligible for a full Federal Pell Grant for the 17-18 aid year. Student C was enrolled full time for the Fall semester, and enrolled 3/4th time for the Spring and received full Pell disbursements based on credits enrolled. With the new implementation of SUMMER PELL; the student will now be eligible to receive a full disbursement in the SUMMER (provided the student enrolls as a full-time student for the Summer semester).

<b>SCENARIO 2</b>	<b>Fall 17 201810</b>	<b>Spring 18 201820</b>	<b>Summer 18 201830</b>
Enrollment	12 credit hours	12 credit hours	6 credit hours
EFC	0	0	0
Pell awarded	\$2960 (50%)	\$2960 (50%)	\$1480 (25%)

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## *Key Terms*

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- Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is calculated based on information collected on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and determines an applicant's eligibility for need-based federal student aid such as Pell Grant.
- Full time Enrollment Undergraduate students are assessed full time tuition for registration of 12 or more undergraduate, academic credit hours.
- Tuition and Fees are the costs that are paid directly to the College by the student.