

HILLSBOROUGH

Community College

FINANCIAL AID DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION **FALL 2011**

FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT ON FINANCIAL AID SUSPENSION

TUITION:

For students that qualify for the Federal Pell Grant award, the grant will first be applied toward your outstanding tuition cost for the Fall 2011 Term beginning August 13, 2011. Please note - the amount on your Award Notice for the Pell Grant was based on full time enrollment (12 or more credit hours). If you enroll for less than 12 credit hours, the actual amount disbursed to your student account will be decreased. Please check your WebAdvisor account after August 13, 2011 for the actual amount disbursed to your account.

If you requested and were awarded a Federal Direct Stafford Loans, the loan funds will first be applied towards your Fall 2011 tuition charges also beginning on August 13, 2011.

In order for any and all of your financial aid be disbursed, you must be maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress. Your progress was reviewed at the end of the Spring 2011 term (or your last term of enrollment if you were not enrolled in the Spring 2011 term). If you were placed on Financial Aid Suspension at the end of your last term of enrollment, your aid will not be disbursed to you. *Please check your Hawkmail on or before August 16, 2011 for any emails pertaining to your Satisfactory Academic Progress status.*

BOOK CHARGES:

If your financial aid funds have actually posted to your student account AND you have an actual credit on your student account after tuition and fees are paid for the Fall term, you MAY be eligible to charge the purchase price of your books at an HCC campus bookstore. The charges for your books will be added to your charges for the Fall semester and deducted from your potential refund.

For those who qualify, you may purchase books at HCC campus Bookstore beginning on August 16, 2011 after 12:00pm.

****PLEASE NOTE – NOT ALL STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO CHARGE BOOKS. PLEASE CHECK YOUR STUDENT ACCOUNT IN WEBADVISOR PRIOR TO VISITING THE BOOKSTORE.****

THE LAST DATE YOU MAY CHARGE BOOKS IS August 26, 2011.

The maximum amount you may charge if you have an actual credit on your student account is contingent upon your enrollment status:

- Up to \$650.00 with 12 or more credit hours, or
- Up to \$500.00 with 9 to 11 credit hours, or
- Up to \$325.00 with 6 to 8 credit hours.

If you are *enrolled for less than 6 credit hours*, contact your campus Financial Aid Office to determine your eligibility to charge books. **IF YOUR ENROLLMENT CHANGES AFTER YOUR BOOKS ARE CHARGED TO YOUR STUDENT ACCOUNT, YOU MAY OWE ADDITIONAL MONEY TO THE COLLEGE.**

REFUND CHECKS:

- ✓ All financial aid refunds are posted on the student accounts and accessible ONLY via their HCC HigherOne Card. In order to receive your refund you must activate your HigherOne Card at www.HCCOneCard.com.
- ✓ The HCC HigherOne Card was mailed to all registered students. If you did not receive a HCC HigherOne Card, please contact your campus Bursar Office.
- ✓ *If you have additional funds remaining from your Federal Pell Grant & Federal Direct Stafford Loans after the payment of tuition and book charges, the college will forward your refund to your HCC HigherOne Card beginning September 5, 2011.*
- ✓ If your Financial Aid Award letter is dated after June 1, 2011, any remaining refund will be sent to your HCC HigherOne Card 14 days from the date the College credits your financial aid funds to your account.
- ✓ Students awarded Institutional Need-based scholarships, and/or the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG), will also receive the balance from these awards (if available) beginning September 5, 2011.

PELL GRANT AWARDS

For the Pell grant program, the college is able to pay for all classes enrolled for the term. However, if the student drops a course or the class is cancelled and the Pell Grant or Federal Direct Stafford Loan funds is used to pay for the class, the student will have to return any excess funds distributed.

FEDERAL DIRECT STAFFORD LOAN AWARDS

For the Federal Direct Stafford Loan program, students are allowed to use their Federal Direct Stafford Loan funds on September 5, 2011 as long as 6 credit hours of classes start on August 22, 2011. Otherwise, students' Federal Direct Stafford Loan checks will be distributed beginning on the first date of classes when a student reaches 6 credit hours.

COLLEGE WORK STUDY AWARDS

Students who have been awarded College Work Study may begin working on August 11, 2011. If you drop below 6 credit hours, you are no longer eligible to work under the Federal Work Study program.

If you have any questions, please contact HCC Live at 1-877-736-2575.

Thank you.

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