

UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA PEMBROKE

Financial Aid Freeze Date Q&A

Q: What is a financial aid freeze date?

A: The financial aid freeze date is the day in which your enrollment status is “locked” for the semester. You should finalize your enrollment before the freeze date.

Q: When does the freeze date occur each semester?

A: Normally it occurs the morning after the established census date. Please refer to academic calendar located on the UNCP website for the exact date.

Q: How does this affect the amount of financial aid that I will receive for the semester?

A: The financial aid freeze date only applies to your **Federal Pell Grant**

NOTE: Federal loans, work-study and SEOG are not affected by the freeze date.

Q: How does the freeze date affect the amount of my Pell Grant?

A: On the date that your enrollment status is “locked”, your Pell Grant will be calculated based on your enrollment as of the date. Your award will be prorated according to the following new enrollment intensity:

Units Enrolled	Enrollment Level (OLD)	Enrollment Intensity (NEW) - % of Pell
12 or more	Full Time	100%
11	3/4 Time	92%
10		83%
9		75%
8		67%
7	1/2 Time	58%
6		50%
5		42%
4	Less Than 1/2 Time	33%
3		25%
2		17%
1		8%

Q: What other factors affect the amount of my Pell Grant for the semester?

A: In addition to your enrollment status, your Student Aid Index(SAI), Cost of Attendance(COA), and Academic Year Commitment will effect the amount of Pell Grant received.

Q: If I add or drop credits after the freeze date, will my Pell Grant be increased or reduced?

A: No.

Q: If I am dropped by UNCP for nonattendance, will my Pell Grant be reduced?

A: Yes.

Q: If I add credits during a Maymester or Wintermester (fall 3), will my Pell Grant be increased?

A: No

- Q: What if I file my FAFSA after the freeze date, how will my Pell Grant be calculated?
- A: Your Pell Grant will be calculated based upon the number of credits that you are enrolled in at the time your FAFSA is received and you have completed all requirements.
- Q: If I am an undergraduate student taking some graduate classes in the same semester, how will my Pell Grant be calculated?
- A: Your amount will be based upon both (undergraduate and graduate) credits that apply to the undergraduate degree. You must register for all credits for the entire semester.
- Q: Can I receive a Pell Grant if I am seeking a 2nd or 3rd Bachelor's degree or a Master's Degree?
- A: No

If you have questions about the freeze date or your financial aid, please contact the Office of Financial Aid at fa@uncp.edu or (910) 521-6255.

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