

Financial Aid

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Frequently Asked Questions Summer I 2023

When will Summer I 2023 begin?

Classes for Summer I 2023 begin on May 8th, 2023 and end June 22, 2023.

When and where can I register for Summer I 2023?

- Financial Aid students must be registered for all their classes before any aid will be posted to their account.
- We highly recommend that all Returning Students go to their academic department for academic advising.
- New Students will be advised by appointment.
- After advisement, Returning Students must login to <u>webservices.essex.edu</u> to register online starting March 9, 2023. When you register online, your tuition bill and class schedule is posted in Web Services; OR
- You may register In-Person on May 1-4, 2023 at the Enrollment Services office. If you register In-Person you will be given a printed tuition bill and class schedule.

NOTE: Students who have hold/restrictions on their records must contact the office that placed the hold on their record and reconcile the situation with that office before enrolling.

How will Financial Aid know I am registered?

- Financial Aid will receive a list of students registered for Summer I on a daily basis who have a FAFSA® on file in the Financial Aid Office for 2022-2023.
- Financial Aid will review this list and determine the student's eligibility for aid. You will be awarded if you have Federal Pell Grant eligibility remaining for 2022-2023.
- Make sure you register for all of your classes at one time to ensure your award is accurate.
- Check your award status at <u>myecc.essex.edu</u>. Again, you must be registered before aid is awarded.
- If your award does not cover your charges, make plans with the Bursar to pay any outstanding charges.
- Please allow 24 hours for the lists to be reviewed and for your aid to be posted, if eligible.

Are there any registration restrictions?

YES, Financial Aid will only pay for classes required for your program of study (major). You are solely responsible for payment, if you maintain classes that are not required for your major.

To identify courses not approved for your major, go to myecc.essex.edu, click on the "Course of Study" tab to view the course not approved for aid. The course noted as "NO" are courses not approved for financial aid purposes.

Steps to correct the "NO":

- First, check your Degree Evaluation for your major requirements.
- Make sure your major is listed correctly in our system. If not go to the Enrollment Services office to correct your major.
- If you think the course has been marked "NO" in error, Enrollment Services Office must evaluate the course(s). You must complete the "Financial Aid Course Review Form" available online at https://essexcountycollege.wufoo.com/forms/mqu1pb80ee9ecw/. List the courses in question on this form and the Enrollment Services staff will review your major requirements and determine if the courses noted as "NO" can be corrected to "YES" for financial aid payment.
- If the course is approved by Enrollment Services, the "NO" will be changed to "Yes" in our system.
- You can view this change on myecc.essex.edu. No further action is required.
- Financial Aid will run a process daily to clear your record to pay for the course. Please allow Financial Aid 24 hours to run the process and post the aid to your account.
- However, if the course is not an eligible course for your major after the review by the Enrollment Services Office, the notation will remain "NO" in the system and you are responsible for any outstanding charges.

Is financial aid available for Summer I 2023?

YES, however the only fund available for Summer I is the PELL Grant. To receive the Federal Pell Grant the student must:

- Have a 2022-2023 FAFSA on file in the ECC Financial Aid Office; and
- Your financial aid file must be complete as all documentation requested by our office must be submitted for review; and
- Be registered for Summer I classes when Financial Aid reviews your file; and
- Have Federal Pell Grant funds remaining for 2022-2023; and
- Have an eligible Estimated Family Contribution (EFC); and
- Be in good academic standing

How will I know if I have Federal Pell Grant remaining eligibility for Summer I 2023? See chart below

Summer 1 Registration begins Thursday, March 9, 2023. The Pell Grant for Summer I 2023 is available to students who did not receive their full Pell award for 2022-2023. To determine if you have funds remaining, we include all Pell awards that you have received at ECC and at any other college and/or business school which you attended during the 2022-2023 Academic Year.

Instructions:

- 1. Please use the table below to determine if you have Pell funds remaining to pay your registration bill for Summer I, 2023. Read the table from left to right and compare your registration status for each semester of enrollment period during 2022-2023 to determine if you have Pell funds left to use for Summer I. Summer I, begins on May 8th, 2023.
- 2. If you do not have Pell Grant funds and register for Summer I, 2023, you must plan with the Bursar to pay your Summer I, 2023 registration bill.
- 3. Please track your enrollment status at ECC or any other college, university or business school during 2022-2023 to determine your eligibility for the Pell Grant for Summer I 2023. Note: Full-time is 12 or more billed credits and less than fulltime is 1.0 to 11.5 billed credits.

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Summer II 2022 Registration Status	Fall 2022 Registration Status	Spring 2023 Registration Status	Eligible for Pell for Summer I, 2023?
Not Registered	Not Registered	Not Registered	Yes
Not Registered	Full-time	Full-time	Yes required 6 credits
Not Registered	Full-time	Not Registered	Yes
Not Registered	Not Registered	Full-time	Yes
Not Registered	Part-time	Part-time	Yes
Full-time	Not Registered	Full-time	Yes required 6 credits
Full-time	Full-time	Not Registered	Yes required 6 credits
Full-time	Full-time	Full-time	No
Part-time	Full-time	Not Registered	Yes
Part-time	Not Registered	Full-time	Yes
Part-time	Full-time	Full-time	Yes required 6 credits
Part-time	Part-time	Part-time	Yes

What happens if my Federal Pell Grant award does not cover all of my charges for Summer I 2023?

Your Federal Pell Grant award will be based on:

- Your expected family contribution (EFC); and
- Your credit load; and
- The amount of remaining Federal Pell Grant eligibility for 2022-2023.
- You are solely responsible for any outstanding charges not covered by aid. You must contact the Bursar's Office to arrange payment of any outstanding charges.

How will I know I have been awarded aid?

Login to myecc.essex.edu, with your ECC User Name and Password and click on the Financial Aid tab to view your award status.

What can I do if I don't have financial aid available for Summer I 2023?

- If you have already been awarded your maximum Federal Pell Grant for 2022-2023, you are not eligible for additional Federal Pell Grant funds.
- You are responsible for paying your registration bill for Summer I
- You may also apply for a private education loan. Go to www.essex.edu/fa for information on applying for a loan.

Will I be eligible for a Book Voucher for Summer I 2023?

YES, Book Vouchers will be available online at myecc.essex.edu, beginning May 1- 15, 2023. However, you will only have a book voucher if you have funds remaining from your Federal Pell Grant award after all charges are paid in full for Summer I 2023. To retrieve your book voucher, you will need to logon to myecc.essex.edu and click on the Book Voucher tab to the right of the screen. Use your voucher in our Book Stores on the Main Campus.

If I register and decide not to attend classes for Summer I 2023, what should I do?

If you decide not to attend Summer I 2023 after registering or find you do not have funds to pay for your classes, you must officially drop the class by May 4, 2023, in order to receive a full refund or not be charged for the term.

If you stopped attending without officially dropping the class, your instructor will report you as a "No Show" and you will be responsible for the tuition and fee charges. **Not attending classes does not constitute a class drop**. **Financial Aid will not pay for classes reported as a No Show**.

When is the last day to withdraw from Summer I 2023?

The last day to withdraw from Summer I 2023 classes to receive a "W" grade is May 30, 2023.

I am on Financial Aid Probation for Spring 2023; how does this affect my award for Summer I?

- Financial Aid will not be able to determine your Federal Pell Grant eligibility until your Spring 2023 grades are posted and reviewed by the Financial Aid Office.
- Once grades are posted and reviewed, your Federal Pell Grant eligibility will be determined.
- If you are eligible for PELL, logon to myecc.essex.edu and check your award status.
- If you are not eligible for aid for any reason, you will be denied aid and you must pay your registration bill from your own resources. Again check myecc.essex.edu for your eligibility status.

Important: If you register for classes before your grades are posted for Spring 2023, you must be prepared to make a payment on your registration bill.

Please visit our Contact Us page for more information. We will only address general questions by telephone.