

Pell Grant

The Pell Grant is the largest federal grant program offered to undergraduates and is designed to assist students from low-income households. A Federal Pell Grant, unlike a loan, does not have to be repaid, except under certain circumstances. To qualify for a Pell Grant, a student must demonstrate financial need through the *Free Application for Federal Student Financial Aid* (FAFSA®) form.

Pell Grant Eligibility is also calculated by Enrollment Intensity. Enrollment intensity is the percentage of full-time enrollment at which a student is enrolled, rounded to the nearest whole percent. For example, if full-time enrollment is 12 credit hours and the student is enrolled in 7 hours, the enrollment intensity would be $7 \div 12 \times 100\% = 58.3\%$ (round to 58%). Please see the chart below of the percentage calculations based upon credit hour enrollments.

Credit Hours	Enrollment Intensity Formula	Enrollment Intensity	Enrollment Status Equivalent
12 (or more)	$12 \div 12 = 1.0$	100%	Full-Time
11	$11 \div 12 = 0.917$	92%	Three-Quarter Time
10	$10 \div 12 = 0.833$	83%	Three-Quarter Time
9	$9 \div 12 = 0.75$	75%	Three-Quarter Time
8	$8 \div 12 = 0.667$	67%	Half-Time
7	$7 \div 12 = 0.583$	58%	Half-Time
6	$6 \div 12 = 0.50$	50%	Half-Time
5	$5 \div 12 = 0.417$	42%	Less-than-Half-Time
4	$4 \div 12 = 0.333$	33%	Less-than-Half-Time
3	$3 \div 12 = 0.25$	25%	Less-than-Half-Time
2	$2 \div 12 = .0167$	17%	Less-than-Half-Time
1	$1 \div 12 = 0.083$	8%	Less-than-Half-Time