

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE
LIFETIME PELL ELIGIBILITY FORM

Name: _____

ID # @ _____

The U.S. Department of Education (DOE) recently established new regulations which reduce the duration of a student's eligibility to receive a federal Pell Grant to a maximum of 12 full-time semesters (or its equivalent). Beginning with Fall 2012, a student has 6 years (12 full-time semesters) of total Pell Grant lifetime eligibility. This applies to all students and includes all years Pell was received prior to Fall 2012 at all schools. (Pell payments are added together for all colleges attended anywhere.) Because you are close to reaching or have exceeded these new lifetime Pell Grant limits, please complete the following steps and attach all required documentation:

Step 1: Attach your Educational Study Plan (ESP) developed by your counselor. If you submitted an ESP to the Financial Aid Office for the 2020-2021 school year, no additional plan is required.

Step 2: Enter your lifetime Pell Grant Lifetime Eligibility Used (LEU) _____. Log on to the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS) Student Access Website at www.nsls.ed.gov using your Federal Student Aid Identification Number (FSA ID) and view your LEU. The LEU will be found on the Financial Aid Review page. If you are unable to access this information, a Financial Aid Technician will assist you with retrieving this information at your scheduled appointment.

Step 3: Schedule an appointment with a Financial Aid Technician to review available educational funding options. (Please make sure you bring this form and your completed Educational Study Plan (ESP) to your appointment.)

Step 4: FOR FINANCIAL AID OFFICE USE ONLY

- Pell LEU: _____
Student has exceeded LEU
Student has not exceeded LEU
FAO Staff: By _____ Date: _____

Step 5: Student's Statement: Please select one of the options below by marking the applicable box, sign, and date below.

Porterville College has counseled me regarding my lifetime Pell Grant eligibility and educational funding options. Furthermore, based on current federal regulations,

- I understand that I have exceeded my Pell Grant lifetime eligibility and will no longer be eligible to receive a Pell Grant, regardless of income, appeal status, etc.
I understand that I have limited remaining Pell Grant lifetime eligibility and understand that I will not be eligible to receive a Pell Grant once I reach 600% lifetime limits, regardless of income, appeal status, etc. Based on this information, I wish to defer my Pell Grant eligibility and do not wish to accept a Pell Grant for attendance at Porterville College. Furthermore, by choosing to defer my Pell Grant, I understand that I will not be eligible to receive a Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG) even if I meet all other criteria for this fund. Also, I understand that there is no guarantee that I will have eligibility for a Pell Grant in future years, as I will be required to complete a FAFSA each year and meet all eligibility requirements for that year.
I understand that I have limited remaining Pell Grant lifetime eligibility and understand that I will not be eligible to receive a Pell Grant once I reach 600% lifetime limits, regardless of income, appeal status, etc. Based on this information, I still wish to receive any remaining Pell Grant eligibility for attendance at Porterville College.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have reached this decision of my own accord, having received the information pertaining to my lifetime Pell LEU.

Student's Signature _____

Date _____