2017-2018 Financial Aid Disbursement Dates

Go to WebAdvisor to view the grants for which you qualify. Your check will be issued on the next scheduled disbursement date.				
Pell Grant Disbursements – two per semester				
Fall 2017	August 10, 2017 – first half November 2, 2017 – second half			
Spring 2018	January 4, 2018 – first half March 29, 2018 – second half			
SEOG Grant Disbursements				
Fall 2017	September 7, 2017			
Spring 2018	February 15, 2018			
Cal Grant Disbursements – all awards are in pending status				
Fall 2017	September 21, 2017			
Spring 2018	February 15, 2018			
Loan Disbursements				
Fall 2017	Dates provided at Loan Orientation			
Spring 2018	Dates provided at Loan Orientation			

Disbursement e-mail notices

You will be notified by e-mail approximately one week before your financial aid payment is disbursed. The email will include your financial aid payment amount and the date of disbursement.

It is mandatory that you activate your e-mail account.

All financial aid reminders, changes, deadlines, and special event notices will be sent to your district assigned e-mail address. Instructions on how to activate your e-mail can be found at http://www.scccd.edu/index.aspx?page=661

Check information

The quickest way for you to access your financial aid funds is to sign up for direct deposit through WebAdvisor. Paper checks will be mailed on the disbursement date and you can expect to receive your check within 1-5 days. Checks NOT cashed within 30 days may be cancelled. If you do not receive your check as scheduled, please read the Question and Answer section below before contacting the Financial Aid Office. For checks lost in the mail, there is a 10-business day wait period before checks can be voided and re-issued. If your check is lost or destroyed, contact the Business Service Office at (559) 638-0342.

Pell Grants

Pell Grants are normally disbursed in two payments each semester, according to the disbursement schedule. The amount of your disbursement is based on the number of units you are actively enrolled in 14 days prior to the disbursement date.

- If you drop units, your second disbursement will be adjusted/reduced/cancelled.
- If you drop units, you may be in overpayment. You will be notified of the overpayment by e-mail.
- If you are not enrolled full-time, your Pell Grant will be prorated as follows:

Enrollment	Units required	Eligibility	
Full-time	12 or more	100% of award letter amount for the semester	
Three-quarter time	9 - 11.5	75% of award letter amount for the semester	
Half-time	6 - 8.5	50% of award letter amount for the semester	
Less than half-time	.5 - 5.5	Eligibility varies	

- If your annual Pell Grant Award is less than \$870, you may not qualify if you are attending less than full-time (12 units).
- If your annual Pell Grant Award is less than \$4270, you may not qualify if you are attending less than half-time (6 units).

Fee Waivers

If your award letter indicates a "Board of Governors" award, you are eligible to have your enrollment fees waived for the Summer 2017, Fall 2017, and Spring 2018 semesters. This waiver will automatically show up when you register and be reflected on your registration statement. **It is not a cash award.** The Board of Governors Fee Waiver does <u>NOT</u> cover the mandatory Health Fee or any class material fees. If you paid your enrollment fees, and then were awarded a fee waiver, apply for a refund of your enrollment fees at <u>http://onlineforms.scccd.edu/reqforrefundfeerev.aspx</u>.

Financial Aid Repeat Policy

If you are repeating any classes, you may be enrolled in classes (units) that are not financial aid payable. These units will be excluded from the total number of units considered for your enrollment status (i.e. full-time, ³/₄ time, half-time). Review the Financial Aid Repeat Policy on our web page. These regulations affect all repeated classes regardless of whether or not you previously received any financial aid for the class/units.

Overpayments

By accepting funds, you agree to the all terms and policies. It is your responsibility to review all documents at http://www.reedleycollege.edu/index.aspx?page=263 under "Policy and Disbursement Information". If you withdraw from all classes, drop below half-time, or fail all of your classes, you may be required to repay all or part of the financial aid you received.

Questions & Answers

Explanations why your check was reduced or delayed

- 1. Q. I was on a waitlist and was recently added into the class. Why am I not being paid for this class?
 - A. These units may not have been considered for payment if you added the class within 14 days from the disbursement date. However, you may still be entitled to additional funds that will be sent out on the next disbursement date (see chart below). You will be notified by e-mail if you are eligible.
- 2. Q. My award letter stated I would receive a certain amount for my Pell Grant. Why did I only receive 25% of my semester award?
 - A. Your Pell Grant award amount on WebAdvisor is based on full-time enrollment. If you are not in 12 units, your award will be prorated to 75% if you are in 9-11.5 units or 50% if you are enrolled in 6-8.5 units. For example, if your semester Pell Grant award is \$2000 and you are enrolled in 7 units, you will be eligible for \$1000 (\$2000 x .50). You will only receive 50% of this amount, \$500 (\$1000 x .5) on the first disbursement and 50%, \$500 (\$1000 x .5) on the second Pell disbursement. Please be aware that <u>any</u> change in your enrollment may affect your Pell Grant amount.

3. Q. What happens if I owe money to the college?

A. If you owe a repayment of financial aid funds, tuition, residence hall fees, meal plan, child care fees, or other college fees, your financial aid will be applied to any outstanding debts to the college.

4. Q. What if I am not enrolled in the appropriate number of units to be eligible for an award?

A. Some awards require a minimum unit enrollment of half-time (6-8.5 units) or full-time (12+ units). Review the section below "How funds are disbursed by program."

5. Q. What should I do if I have already received financial aid from another college or university for the same semester?

A. You may not receive financial aid from two institutions for the same semester/term. If you are not attending a college or university that has issued you a financial aid check, RETURN THE FUNDS IMMEDIATELY! If you never attended, you will be billed for these funds and if they are not promptly repaid, you may be sent to a collection agency.

6. Q. I received an e-mail stating I would receive a financial aid disbursement check, but I never received it. What should I do?

A. The processing of your financial aid disbursement begins 14 days before the actual disbursement date. If during this two week period you withdraw or are dropped from classes, your financial aid disbursement could be reduced, delayed, or cancelled. Before contacting the Financial Aid Office, verify your class schedule through WebAdvisor to make sure you are actively enrolled in all the classes you are attending. If the Financial Aid Office receives any information that changes your eligibility, your check could be held or cancelled. You may contact the Financial Aid Office at (559) 638-0312 to verify your eligibility.

7. Q. I am enrolled in 12 units. Why did I only receive a check based on 6 units?

A. Financial aid verifies your unit enrollment 14 days prior to the disbursement date. If you change your enrollment during this 14 day period, this may affect your disbursement.

Check the start date of your classes. Units for classes that begin the second nine weeks of the semester will not be paid until you are scheduled to begin the class (October 12th disbursement for the Fall and March 8th disbursement for the Spring). Verify your enrollment through WebAdvisor to make sure you are actively enrolled in all the classes you are attending. If you discover any problems with your enrollment, contact the Admissions and Records Office.

How funds are disbursed by program

Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG)

SEOG funds are disbursed once a semester according to the disbursement schedule. You must be actively enrolled in at least 6 units.

Cal Grant

Cal Grant funds are disbursed once a semester according to the disbursement schedule. You must be actively enrolled in at least 6 units. The Cal Grant disbursement dates are estimated based on the date we expect to receive Cal Grant funds from the State.

Federal Direct Student Loans

Loan funds are generally disbursed once a semester according to the disbursement schedule. You must be actively enrolled in at least 6 units. Loan funds for new borrowers may be held for disbursement until 30 days into the semester. If you are requesting a loan for only one semester, your loan may have to be paid in two disbursements. If you are requesting a loan for the final semester of your academic program, your approved loan amount may be prorated.

Financial aid disbursement dates for 2017-2018

The dates below are provided for informational purposes only. Check processing begins 14 days prior to the disbursement date. If you miss a scheduled disbursement date based on the date you completed your file or added classes, you will be paid on the next scheduled disbursement date. Please remember that DISBURSEMENT DATE INFORMATION WILL NOT BE GIVEN OUT OVER THE PHONE. An e-mail confirming the date and amount of your disbursement will be sent to your district issued e-mail account approximately one-week prior to the disbursement date.

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August 17, 2017 January 11, 2018 September 7, 2017 February 1, 2018 September 21, 2017 February 15, 2018 October 12, 2017 March 8, 2018 November 2, 2017 March 29, 2018 November 22, 2017 April 19, 2018 December 14, 2017 May 10, 2018	Fall 2017	August 17, 2017 September 7, 2017 September 21, 2017 October 12, 2017 November 2, 2017 November 22, 2017	Spring 2018	January 11, 2018 February 1, 2018 February 15, 2018 March 8, 2018 March 29, 2018 April 19, 2018				



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