

# **Touro College**

## **YEAR-ROUND FEDERAL PELL GRANT POLICY**

### **Summer Pell Policy**

Beginning with the 2010-2011 academic year students may be eligible for up to 2 scheduled awards (200%) per year of Federal Pell Grant. If students use their first scheduled award during the Fall and Spring of 2010-2011 and complete 24 credits, then enroll in a minimum of 6 credits in the following summer, they may be eligible for a second scheduled award.

For the summer of 2011, Touro College will consider the term to be a "cross-over" payment period and will pay Pell Grant from the 2010-2011 or 2011-2012 year, whichever award year provides the student with the most Pell Grant eligibility. Students must have a valid FAFSA on file for the year used to determine Pell Grant eligibility. If students use their first scheduled award, and they enroll in a minimum of 6 credit hours, they can be eligible for a second scheduled award.

Students must have one credit hour which would apply to their second year. For example, Touro College defines its year as 24 credit hours; if the student receives a full-time award in fall 2010 and spring 2011 and enrolls in 6 hours or more in summer, they would receive Pell Grant for the summer payment period from the 2010-2011 or the 2011-2012 award year, whichever will provide the largest scheduled award, providing they are otherwise eligible. Pell Grants for a payment period may be combined using the first and second scheduled awards if the student is eligible. For summer 2011, students will also need to meet applicable academic progression requirements for a 2010-2011 award, or they may be eligible for a first scheduled award from the 2011-2012 year.

For the summer terms in all subsequent years after 2010-2011, the rules applied in summer 2011 will be applied using the correct aid years as determined by federal regulations.

### **Transfer Students for 2 scheduled Pell Awards beginning 2010-2011:**

- Touro College will use the assumption method to determine acceleration toward the second scheduled Pell Grant.
- If a student received 100% of the first scheduled Pell Grant at prior school(s), Touro will assume the student completed the first academic year.
- If student received less than 100% of the first scheduled Pell Grant award, Touro College will use the same ratio to Touro College's academic year as the % of the scheduled award that was received from the other school(s) and round up to the nearest one.

Example:

Assume the student completed the same ratio of the academic year as the % of Pell Grant received:

- Prior school disbursed \$2,082 of \$5,550 scheduled award at that school.
- Touro College's academic year is defined as 24 credit hours
- $\$2,082 \times 24 / \$5,550 = 9$  credits assumed earned at prior school
- Student is given 9 credits toward completion of the first academic year.

### **Special circumstance consideration for failure to meet progression requirement**

Financial Aid Administrator determines that the student was unable to complete the hours of the first academic year due to "circumstances beyond the student's control."

May include but are not limited to:

- Student withdrawing from classes due to a verifiable illness.
- Student being unable to register for classes necessary to complete his or her eligible program because classes were not offered.

Determination must be documented and made on a student-by-student basis  
Special circumstances beyond a student's control do not include:

- Withdrawing to avoid a particular grade.
- Failing to register for a necessary class that is offered during the term to avoid a particular instructor.
- Classes are full and student is unable to register.