Summer Withdrawal Policy

A student is considered withdrawn if the student ceases attendance at any point prior to completing one of the Summer Session periods unless the student provides written notification that s/he will attend a summer session that begins later in the Summer term.

If a student withdraws during a summer session, their financial aid will be prorated based on the number of days attended. The student must notify the Summer Session Office of their intent to withdraw (see next Steps here). This date of notification to the Summer Session Office is the effective date used in recalculating financial aid eligibility. Students will be billed for the funds they are no longer eligible to receive.

Students who withdraw from UCSC prior to completing 60% of the term for which they received federal financial aid will be subject to the Institutional and Federal Return of Title IV Funds policies. Institutional and Title IV funds are federal funds awarded to a student to meet educational expenses. They include:

- Federal Pell Grant,
- Federal Direct Student Loan
- Federal Direct PLUS Loan
- University Grant
- University Loan

Students who cancel their enrollment (or have their enrollment canceled by the University) prior to the first day of classes will be billed for all financial aid disbursed on their behalf.

**UCSC SUMMER SESSION FEE REFUND POLICY**

Students who withdraw may have some of their fees refunded under the UC Fee Refund policy. Any fee refund due to a student will first go toward any federal financial aid amounts paid on behalf of the student (or to the student), regardless of what source was used to pay fees. You can find the Fee Refund Schedule on the Office of the Registrar website. The UC Fee Refund Policy is detailed in the UCSC General Catalog. To be updated with

**FEDERAL RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS POLICY**

Federal law requires federal aid recipients to "earn" the aid they receive. Students who withdraw prior to completing 60% of the term for which they received federal student aid may be required to return some of the aid they were awarded, including Federal Pell, Federal Direct Student Loan or PLUS loan and withdrew prior to completing 60% of the term.
The return of Title IV financial aid is based upon the amount of federal financial aid received, the University charges incurred AND the student's date of withdrawal. University charges include tuition and fees, non-resident supplemental tuition, and on-campus housing charges.

**Students who withdraw prior to completing 60% of the term will "earn" a percentage of the financial aid paid to them (or used to pay their fees) for each day of the term they attended.**

Students who withdraw **after** completing 60% of the term will have earned all financial aid received.

For details on how your financial aid is affected by a withdrawal, see [Financial Aid Procedures for Students who Withdraw](#) [LINK THE SUMMER SHEET].

**Return of Federal Title IV Funds:** Prior to 60% of the term, the federal formula for returning aid is as follows:

The University will return to the federal government any funds that were credited from the UC Fee Refund first. If the amount returned by the University is not enough to repay the entire unearned amount, the University will bill the student for portions of amounts received for non-institutional charges (such as books, supplies and off-campus living expenses).

Students who **do not officially withdraw** from the University will **initially** be assessed using the mid-point of the term as the "official" withdrawal date. Any funds due to the federal government will be billed based on this mid-point and the student will not receive any refund of fees. The university requires students to have an instructor verify their class attendance that term. If an instructor can verify attendance in a course passed the 60% point of the term, then the student retains 100% of their aid. If all of a student’s instructors notify us of no attendance for that term, then all financial aid will be billed.

**Special note for students living in campus housing:** Any student who withdraws prior to completing 60% of the term will be billed for a portion of the federal financial aid the student received to cover their UCSC housing costs. The amount billed will depend on the point in the term the student withdrew. Students should contact Campus Housing Services at 831-459-2394 to determine if they will receive a refund from Housing that may be used to pay the amount the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office bills to the student account.

**All Non-Passing Grades**

If you receive all F’s in a Summer Session, the withdrawal calculation is done based on the midpoint of the session unless written documentation is received from your professor stating you earned your F. You will be notified by email if this is the case.