

Student Responsibilities . . .

- Report outside resources** to the Office of Financial Aid. This would include all offers of financial assistance from any other source (i.e. scholarships, Voc Rehab, WIA, or fee reductions of any kind).
- Report changes in your enrollment for classes.** When determining your eligibility for aid, we considered you at full time enrollment (12 cr or more) as reported on your FAFSA. Changes could affect your financial aid. Your money cannot be released if your preregistered credits are less than your expected enrollment.

Enrollment status requirements for financial aid

| | Full Time | 3/4 Time | 1/2 Time | <Half Time |
|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| Undergrad | 12 cr | 9-11 cr | 6-8 cr | <6 cr |
| Grad | 9 cr | 7-8 cr | 5-6 cr | NA |

- We assumed full-time enrollment when we awarded you aid. If you will be attending less than full-time (less than 12 cr for undergraduates or less than 9 cr for graduate students), please contact the ISU Office of Financial Aid to request a revision of your aid package.**
- Accept or decline your awards online on the Finances tab in BengalWeb. Click on 'Financial Aid Award' inside the 'Financial Aid Information' Channel.
- College Work Study.** It is your responsibility to obtain a qualifying work study job. Employment may begin on the following dates:
 - Fall Semester August 13, 2010
 - Spring Semester January 3, 2011
 - Summer Session ... No Work Study Available
 Contact the Office of Financial Aid or visit the web at www.isu.edu/finaid for a complete listing of work study jobs available.
- Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress.** If you fail to maintain the requirements as outlined in the 2010-2011 Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy, you may be denied future financial aid. For complete information on the Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy please go to www.isu.edu/finaid.

HOW TO GET YOUR MONEY . . .

Students who are registered for Fall 2010 will receive detailed fee payment instructions beginning in July. In preparation for fee payment and financial aid disbursement, you will need to log into BengalWeb and go to the "Finances" tab. Then click on "Financial Aid Award" inside the "Financial Aid Information" channel. Follow the instructions found there to accept, decline, or reduce your aid, and answer the Title IV Authorization Questions. Your financial aid cannot be disbursed without your responses to these questions. Your authorization allows your financial aid to be credited to your account to pay institutional and non-institutional University charges, and any excess will be sent to you through an electronic refund (direct deposit to your bank account) or mailed to you in a change check no earlier than 10 days prior to the semester start date. Fees are due by 5pm on the Friday before classes begin. Otherwise you may be disenrolled from your classes.

Student Loan Borrowers Take Action

First Time Borrowers . . .

- Review your financial aid award on line.** If you wish to decline or reduce a loan visit the finances tab on BengalWeb.
- Go to studentloans.gov and complete the electronic master promissory note.
- Entrance counseling is required** for first time borrowers at ISU. Go to studentloans.gov and click on entrance counseling.

Continuing Borrowers . . .

If you previously borrowed a Direct Student Loan, you are considered a "Continuing Borrower."

- If you want the loans as indicated on your award letter, do nothing. They will be available for transfer to pay on your bill at ISU.

First Time Grad PLUS Borrowers . . .

- Are required to complete the entrance counseling and master promissory note for graduate student PLUS loans. Go to studentloans.gov.
- Grad PLUS borrowers must complete a Grad PLUS promissory note. For the electronic promissory note go to studentloans.gov or click on the link provided in your electronic award letter.

If you want to **reduce** or **decline** the Federal Direct Loan(s), click on the link provided in your electronic award letter and indicate the amount you are requesting. You may also go directly to your *Bengal Web*.

Critical Information . . .

- If you use all of your annual loan money during the academic year, summer loans will NOT be available.
- In Summer 2011 Pell Grants will be offered** to Eligible Students. The 'Summer Supplement' (application for summer financial aid) will be available March 1, 2011. Please see a counselor in the Office of Financial Aid for more information.
- Your required enrollment for Pell Grant eligibility** is evaluated at the time of disbursement and **reevaluated on the tenth day of classes.** If you have received your grant money and then never attend a class or drop below the required number of credits for your enrollment status before the tenth day, you will have to repay all or a portion of your Pell Grant. (*Fall semester, September 2nd; Spring semester, January 24th; Summer session, first day of your classes.*)
- Full time credits for financial aid and scholarship purposes** are twelve (12). You will be charged full time fees starting at ten (10) credits. Fees for summer session are charged by the credit hour.

Repayment of Student Aid Funds . . .

You could be required to repay all or a portion of the money received from any student aid funds if:

- You withdraw** (official, unofficial or medical withdrawal) from school or do not complete a semester. Please refer to ISU's refund policies available at www.isu.edu/finserv.
- You have received your Pell grant** and then never attend a class or drop below the required number of credits for your enrollment status before the tenth day, you will have to repay all or a portion of your Pell Grant. (*Fall semester, September 2nd; Spring semester, January 24th; Summer session, first day of your classes.*)
- Your award was made on the basis of inaccurate or incomplete information** (financial or otherwise).
- The Office of Financial Aid or the Cashier's Office has made an error** in determining your eligibility for aid or the amount of your award.
- You do not comply with the responsibilities of** financial aid applicants and recipients.

BengalWeb

is your web source for information regarding your financial aid. To speak with a financial aid staff member, call the Office of Financial Aid at 208-282-2756. In Idaho Falls, call 208-282-7800.

For Your Information. . .

We hope you will utilize the following information to help you attain the requirements for University and Financial Aid Satisfactory Progress.

. . . From the Office of Financial Aid, Academic Advising Center, and College of Technology Student Services

What You Can Do

See Every Professor, In Every Class, Every Semester!

Make an appointment or just stop in to see your instructor during his or her office hours. Have specific questions, such as: What grade am I earning? How can I study better for this particular class? Is there a grade curve? Use this time to have your professor answer specific content-related questions and to get to know your professor on a one-on-one basis.

Calculate your Grade Point Average (GPA)

Learn how to determine your grade point average (see ACC advisors if you need help) and calculate your semester GPA. Use midterm grades to make decisions about what you might need to do differently, if anything, for the remainder of the semester. To remain off probation your accumulative GPA must be 1.75 or above if you have less than 26 credits or at least 2.0 if you have more than 26 credits. If you are already on probation, you must earn a 2.00 GPA for the current semester or you will be dismissed.

Should you withdraw? See Your Advisor!

The ISU Academic Calendar or the class schedule will indicate the last day you can withdraw from individual classes or the last day you can take a total withdraw from all of your classes.

(Check the Calendar in the Class Schedule to determine the exact date.) Should you withdraw? What effect will withdrawing have on your financial aid, academic scholarship, athletic scholarship, or veteran's benefits? Are there second-eight week courses that you could add to your schedule to assist you with meeting credit obligations? Can you reduce your outside-of-school responsibilities or extracurricular activities? Have you been "skipping" too many classes? An advisor can discuss these questions with you and the benefits and consequences of withdrawing.

Get a Tutor

Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning, for help with math and English or Content Area Tutoring (CAT) to request a tutor for all other courses. Fill out a request form, have your instructor sign it, and **keep checking back**. In Idaho Falls, the center is located in CHE 220.

Stay Connected

There are always options. Contact Academic Advising Center or College of Technology Student Services to maintain a healthy transcript and keep your college career on track. Don't just walk away! Give us a call.

Resources for Assistance

Central Advising Centers (CAA)

Pocatello

Museum Building282-3277

Idaho Falls

1784 Science Center Drive, Bennion Student Union282-7800

Twin Falls

CSI Campus, Evergreen Building208-736-2101

Meridian

1311 E Central Dr., Meridian208-373-1700

College of Technology Student Services

Roy F. Christensen Building Main Floor282-2622

If you need to add/drop courses, are undecided about a major, need a better understanding of the university system, need a financial aid appeal, or need to completely withdraw from the university, contact the appropriate office above.

Center for Teaching and Learning

Pocatello Rendezvous Bldg. Rm 323282-3662

College of Technology Resource Center

Pocatello Roy F. Christensen Building 3rd Floor282-2468

Receive assistance in learning strategies, reading, writing, mathematics and other individual needs.

TRIO Student Support Services

Pocatello Museum Building282-3242

Center for New Directions

Pocatello Roy F. Christensen Building 3rd Floor282-2454

The above offices offer support services including advising, counseling (academic, personal, financial, career), and tutoring.

ADA & Disabilities Resource Center

Pocatello Gravelly Hall Lobby282-3599

Idaho Falls Bennion Student Union282-7750

Services are provided, as needed, for all qualifying persons with disabilities. Services include tutoring, interpreting, large print texts, tape transcription, and additional test-taking time. Accessibility and transportation are provided for students with physical disabilities.

Career Center

Pocatello Museum Building Room 440282-2380

Idaho Falls Bennion Student Union282-7750

A wide range of assistance is available in major selection, career planning, personal assessments, salary and occupational outlook, student employment, and internship opportunities.

Counseling & Testing Center

Pocatello Gravelly Hall282-2130

Idaho Falls Bennion Student Union282-7750

Personal Counseling is available to full-time students at no charge. Also help with time management, test anxiety and note taking.