

SCHOLARSHIPS: <http://www.fau.edu/finaid/typesofaid/scholarships.php>

SUMMER 2009

IMPORTANT DATES

February 1, 2009

Request for Summer Financial Aid available on MyFAU (click on the Money Matters! tab).

May 1, 2009

First day to apply for Short Term Advance for SUMMER 2009.

Application available on MyFAU (click on Money Matters! tab).

May 8, 2009

First Disbursement of SUMMER Short Term Advance if all eligibility requirements are met.

May 11, 2009

First day of classes for SUMMER Terms 1 and 2.

May 15, 2009

Last day to drop w/o consequences for all SUMMER terms.

May 18, 2009

Last day to pay fees for SUMMER terms 1 & 2.

June 22, 2009

First day of classes for SUMMER Term 3.

June 29, 2009

Last day to pay fees if ALL courses are in SUMMER term 3.

July 17, 2009

Last day to apply for a Short Term Advance for SUMMER 2009 terms.

FINANCIAL AID NOTIFICATION POLICY – Email notifications to the student’s FAU email account will be the primary method of communication between students and the Office of Student Financial Aid. Students will receive email notifications when financial aid awards are posted or additional documents are required to further process financial aid. It is the student’s responsibility to frequently monitor their FAU email account for notifications sent from this Office.

SUMMER FINANCIAL AID – If you would like financial aid during the SUMMER 2009 terms, ALL SUMMER class registration for Terms 1, 2, or 3 must be completed SUMMER Term 1 drop/add deadline of May 15, 2009, and must remain at least half-time to be considered eligible for most forms of aid. Students may request SUMMER financial aid online on MYFAU (Money Matters! tab) beginning February 2, 2009. **Apply early because funds will be available on a first-come first-served basis.** You may not be paid in full until ALL your courses actually begin. Failure to attend and document attendance may result in repayment. Some federal funds require first day class attendance. You may not be paid in full until all your courses actually begin. See Disbursement Process section for more details.

ACCEPT or DECLINE FINANCIAL AID AWARD OFFERS ONLINE –

- Log on to MyFAU
- Click on the **Money Matters!** tab.
- Click on the “**View Financial Aid Information**” link.
- Click on the “**Financial Aid**” tab or menu link.

In addition, student can view information regarding if student requirements are “Satisfied” or “Unsatisfied”.

FAU School Codes:

Boca – 001481 ♦ Davie – E00584 ♦ Jupiter/PSL – E00830



Financial Aid “OWLCAST”

Log on to the Office of Student Financial Aid website and listen to important Financial Aid and newflash topics.



Complete the 2009 – 2010 FAFSA

The FAFSA must be received by the federal processor by **March 1, 2009** to meet the priority application date for consideration for grants, loans and other financial aid for the academic year that begins with FALL 2009.

If you do not receive your Student Aid Report (SAR) within four weeks, call the federal processor at 1-800-433-3243 or check the status of your FAFSA at: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>.

When filling out the FAFSA, make sure to complete the planned housing code with your appropriate housing status, since leaving this section blank may result in under-funding.

REMEMBER: You can use estimated figures if you or your parents' 2008 have not yet been filed. The FAFSA is not automatically renewed. You must file a new FAFSA every year beginning January 1st.

Student ID Number – FAU students and staff/faculty have a unique ID Number. This ID Number is referred to as your “**FAU Z Number**” (**9 characters – beginning with Z and followed by 8 digits**) which replaces your Social Security Number. It is used as the primary identification for all students and staff/faculty in the FAU system. Please remember your ID because you will be asked for it when obtaining information on your student account in various offices on campus. Also, FAU staff are required to ask for a picture ID to verify your identity. Your FAU Z Number is located on the Home tab once you log on to MyFAU.

Missing Information Notices sent out mid-February via FAU Email only – If you have submitted your 2009-2010 FAFSA early, you may be randomly selected for “Verification” & are REQUIRED to turn in copies of 2008 tax return and the Verification Worksheet. Financial Aid applications are not considered complete and funds will not be disbursed until the verification process is complete.

ESTIMATING COST OF ATTENDANCE – Need assistance estimating the cost of attendance at FAU. Tuition Calculators are available on MyFAU (click on the Money Matters! tab and the tuition and fees calculator tool is located under the Student Payment Information channel.



**2009-2010
Maximum Pell Grant
\$5,350**

What's An Aid Year?

Academic and aid years are the same thing and span between two calendar years. The 2008-2009 aid year includes Fall 2008, Spring 2009, and Summer 2009. You must complete the FAFSA each academic/aid year.

Enrollment Requirements

Enrollment statuses for SUMMER terms are: **Full-time** status is a minimum of 12 undergraduate credit hours or 6 graduate credit hours. **Half-time** status is 6 to 8 undergraduate credit hours or 3 graduate credit hours.

Concurrent Enrollment

Students who are planning to take courses at another institution in addition to taking courses at FAU must submit Concurrent Enrollment paperwork (located at: <http://www.fau.edu/finaid/forms.php>) in order to have their financial aid eligibility based on their combined enrollment at both institutions. To be considered for most forms of aid, you must attend half time at FAU. For more details, log on to the website: <http://www.fau.edu/finaid> and click on Special Programs.

All Concurrent Paperwork for SUMMER is to be submitted to the Office of Student Financial Aid after the last session drop/add deadline of the host school (see dates below).

- Miami Dade College: 6/24/09
- Palm Beach Comm. College: 6/25/09
- Indian River State College: 7/1/09
- Broward College: 7/6/09

Short Term Advances

This University monetary advance is available to assist degree-seeking students, enrolled in at least six FAU credit hours for undergraduates and three FAU credit hours for graduate students, in meeting educational expenses such as textbooks, incurred prior to the date that their financial aid funds are available for disbursement. Short Term Advances can also be used for unanticipated expenses other than tuition for students not receiving financial aid. Student can borrow up to a maximum of \$500. A \$5 processing fee is assessed. The online application located on [MyFAU](#) - click on Money Matters! tab.

Sign-up for Direct Deposit!

If you have a credit balance in your FAU student account after your tuition and fees are paid, having direct deposit on file allows FAU to electronically deposit those funds directly to your personal bank account. The online form is located on [MyFAU](#) - click on Money Matters! tab.

Keep your Personal Information Up-to-Date!

Always ensure that your local mailing address is updated in [MyFAU](#) - click on FAU Self-Service (OWLS) link. Refund checks are mailed to the local address on file with the Registrars Office.

CHECK YOUR SUMMER AWARDS FOR CHANGES – Check your SUMMER awards in MyFAU (Click on the Money Matters! tab then click on the “**View Financial Aid Information**” link. A number of things can cause your financial aid awards to be revised.

- * Unreported tuition waivers, scholarships, veteran's benefits
- * Changes in residency classification, your eligibility after verification and enrollment status or grade level classification

Federal regulations require the Financial Aid office adjust funds to prevent over awards.

SUBMIT ONLY COMPLETE INFORMATION – When additional documentation is requested, please submit copies of all **REQUIRED** documents with the exception of **Citizenship** documentation which **MUST** be submitted in its **ORIGINAL** form. **A copy will be made in the Office of Student Financial Aid by a staff at the front desk.** Incomplete information may result in a denial of an appeal and/or special processing requests. In some cases, incomplete information may be returned to you if required documents are not attached. This will slow down the process of awarding financial aid.

STAFFORD LOANS – There are annual Stafford loan limits, which represents the maximum in which the student is allowed to borrow each academic year. These limits vary based on your dependency status & grade level. For more information on Stafford Loans, visit the website: <http://www.fau.edu/financialaid/QuickFacts.pdf>.

DISBURSEMENT PROCESS – Funds are disbursed after the drop/add period is over. For more information on PELL Grant, ACG Grant, SMART Grant, FAU Grants & Loans and Stafford Loan disbursements, visit the Summer Information Bulletin on the Financial Aid website: <http://www.fau.edu/finaid/summer.php>. Tuition and other charges posted to your student account will be deducted first. If a credit balance results, it will be direct deposited to your personal bank account. If you have not signed up for direct deposit, a check will be mailed to you.

DEFERMENTS – Tuition and fees will be deferred for all financial aid recipients (except Federal Work Study) whose awards have been **ACCEPTED online** by the last day of the drop/add period. If your financial aid is insufficient to cover your tuition and fees, you will be assessed a late fee of \$100.00 unless you pay the difference by the Fee Payment deadline.

WITHDRAWING FROM CLASSES DURING SEMESTER – If students withdraw from a class(s) and is a recipient of Title IV financial aid (i.e. Pell Grant, Stafford Loans, SEOG, Perkins Loan), you must be able to provide documentation that you attended a minimum of one day of each class that was dropped. **RETURN OF FUNDS** – Students who withdraw from the University prior to completing 60% of the term **MUST** repay a percentage of the aid received, including loans. Students will be notified via email or postal mail.

COMMUNITY PART-TIME JOBS – Off Campus job resources are open to all registered, degree-seeking, U.S. Employment Authorized students, regardless of financial need. Log on to MyFAU and click on the Money Matters to search job listings in the Get-A-Job! Database. **NEED BASED EMPLOYMENT** (Federal Work-Study Program) is a federally-funded program for eligible students who demonstrate financial need. Students who have been awarded in any of the need-based employment programs must contact the Student Employment Office for placement at the beginning of each semester awarded. Placements **MUST** be finalized by the drop/add deadline or the award will be forfeited.

FSAG & BRIGHT FUTURES AWARDS – (NOT AWARDED DURING SUMMER TERMS) Several state-funded scholarships based on high school academic achievement and is for students enrolled in an eligible Florida public or private post-secondary educational institution within three years of graduation from a Florida high school. For additional information, call the Florida Department of Education at 1-888-827-2004 (toll free) or visit www.fau.edu/finaid and click on Types of Aid then click on Bright Futures.

VA BENEFITS – Continuing FAU students planning to utilize their VA Benefits for SUMMER 08 & FALL 09 term must submit their Certification Request Form **ASAP**. First time students to FAU who plan to utilize VA Benefits should reference the FAU Veteran Affairs website according to their specific chapter. If you have any questions, please contact the VA Representative in the Financial Aid Office: www.fau.edu/finaid, then click on

RELEASE OF INFORMATION (Privacy Act) – This Act exists to protect your right to confidentiality and limits our release of information about your file or awards. Therefore, information released over the phone will be limited to general information. You must submit a written request to the Registrar's Office if you want information released to an agency or individual.

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