Federal Pell Grant Lifetime Eligibility Used (LEU)

There is now a lifetime limit to the amount of Federal Pell Grant a student may receive. A new federal law has set the lifetime limit as an equivalent of six years of full-time enrollment. Since the maximum amount of Pell Grant funding a student can receive each year equals 100% then each student has 600% Pell eligibility available.

Students have the right to decline, reallocate or return Pell Grant funds within the academic year in order to preserve eligibility for future enrollment periods. Undisbursed Pell Grant funds may be declined within the award year. Keep in mind that your choice of dollar amount for your Pell may be affected by your enrollment level as there are rules regarding how much a student can receive in relation to their enrollment. We will adjust your award if necessary to keep you in compliance with federal regulations.

**Deadline:** this completed form must be returned to the financial aid office at least one week prior to disbursement of financial aid for the term you wish to have adjusted.

Be aware, any declined or returned funds may not be available once the award year is over. There is also no guarantee you will be eligible for Pell Grant funds in the future because eligibility is determined annually with the submission of the FAFSA.

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**Declining, Redistributing or Returning Pell Grant Funds**

Student Name: ___________________________ Student ID#: ___________________________

**Declining Pell Grant Funds that have not yet been disbursed to you:** You may decline all or part of a Pell Grant award during the award year. You may not return a Pell Grant from a prior academic year.

☐ Cancel my Pell Grant for the entire academic year.
☐ Cancel my Pell Grant for _______ term(s).
☐ Cancel this amount of my Pell Grant $________ for each term(s) listed: ____________________

**Reallocating my Pell Grant to other terms.** You cannot receive more than the normal full time award for a term. You can choose to split your Pell Grant over 4 terms instead of 3 if you will be attending summer, fall, winter and spring terms.

☐ I choose to reallocate my Pell award in this manner: My award amount for the full year is $________

Reallocate the amount in this fashion:

Summer Term: $_________ Fall Term: $_________ Winter Term: $_________ Spring Term: $_________

**Returning Pell Grant Funds that you have already received:** You may choose to return Pell Grant funds that have already been disbursed to you. This is a process available for the current aid year only. Returning funds already disbursed may result in a bill that you will owe to EOU.

☐ Please return $________ for _______ term(s).

I choose to decline, reallocate or return Pell Grant funds for which I am eligible with the understanding that any declined or returned funds may not be available to me once the award year is over. Additionally, there is no guarantee that I may be eligible for Pell Grant in the future because eligibility is determined annually with the submission of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

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(Student Signature) (Date)