



2018-19 RESPONSIBLE BORROWING

BORROW RESPONSIBLY!

- Countless students:
 - Are borrowing the maximum amount and then leaving college as soon as the check comes.
 - Are borrowing more than is needed for tuition and books. They're living off loan checks.
 - Have loans that are aggregated, delinquent and in default. They lose their tax returns.
 - Graduate or leave college having accrued more debt than necessary. Be future minded!
- What is the solution?
 - Borrow only what you *need!* Borrow nothing, only what is needed, or choose to borrow subsidized loans only.
 - One practical step to control debt is to read and understand the grant and loan information provided by www.nsls.ed.gov.
 - Apply for scholarships. To find scholarships, visit Financial Aid's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/gbcfinancialaid

THE PELL GRANT

- Pell Grant eligibility is based on a student's FAFSA Expected Family Contribution (EFC) score. Eligible 2018-19 students may receive a Pell Grant for up to \$6,095 per year (\$3048 for 1st semester, and \$3047 for 2nd semester). The Pell Grant will be reduced if a student drops a course and reduces enrollment.
- Each semester, the Pell Grant may only be disbursed after a student has established substantial attendance in registered courses.
- Each year, a student can reapply for the Pell Grant at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
- To avoid being selected for verification, it is important to input correct tax information on the FAFSA.
 - If available, the IRS Data Retrieval Tool on the FAFSA can transfer the correct tax information to ensure accuracy.

SUBSIDIZED LOANS

- Subsidized loans **do not collect** interest while the student is enrolled *at least half-time*.
- The interest begins to accrue immediately once a student withdraws or graduates.
- Repayment begins six months after a student withdraws or graduates, unless deferment has been used within the pay 12 months.
- The interest rate is 5.05%*, for loans disbursed on or after 7/1/18.
- The Annual Loan Limits for subsidized loans are:

UNSUBSIDIZED LOANS

- Unsubsidized loans **always collect** interest.
- Repayment starts six months after a student withdraws or graduates.
- The interest rate is 5.05%* for loans disbursed on or after 7/1/18.

ANNUAL LOAN LIMITS		
CREDIT RANGE	SUBSIDIZED	UNSUBSIDIZED
0-27	\$3500	\$6000
28-55	\$4500	\$6000
56+	\$5500	\$7000

Cost Analysis:	
Associate Classes	
24 credits	\$9,120.00
Max Pell Grant (If eligible)	\$6,095.00
Pay cash, or borrow*	\$3,025.00
*Can be fully paid by borrowing SUB Only	
Bachelor Classes	
24 credits	\$10,800.00
Max Pell Grant (If eligible)	\$6,095.00
Pay cash, or borrow*	\$4,705.00
*Can be mostly paid by borrowing SUB Only	