



Request to Decline Federal PELL Grant Funds

Disclosure: Per the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2012, lifetime eligibility for a federal Pell grant is limited to six full-time-equivalent years (18 quarters/12 semesters), or 600%, toward an undergraduate degree. Usage dates back to 1972 as reported by the federal Common Origination and Disbursement system. Check your Pell usage at studentaid.gov.

To best manage your eligibility, you may decline all or part of a term disbursement of Pell that you are otherwise eligible to receive per your Award Letter. You may wish to take this action if you anticipate a change to your expected family contribution in the future or if you'd like to save possible funding toward a more expensive college/program.

However, before you decline funding, you need to understand the following:

- 1) To decline what has been awarded is completely voluntary and not necessarily recommended, as future availability of the program, need-based eligibility or value is NOT guaranteed.
- 2) Need-based federal funds may not be awarded to replace declined Pell.
- 3) It may represent a partial or full return of your disbursement(s).
- 4) It will be denied if any applicable repayment does not clear.
- 5) It may apply only to your current academic year.
- 6) The deadline to submit this request is the current term's final installment payment due date.
- 7) Once RCC returns declined funds to the Federal Pell Grant program, any request to recover the funds may not be possible (ex. after the close of the academic year).

Full Name: _____ RCC ID: _____-

I want to **DECLINE** my Pell Grant award for: Summer Fall Winter Spring

I understand that any other terms will be awarded based on my actual enrollment.

I want to **cancel a portion of my Pell Award (i.e. decline difference)** (mark one):

Partial: \$_____.⁰⁰ Summer \$_____.⁰⁰ Fall \$_____.⁰⁰ Winter \$_____.⁰⁰ Spring

The percentage of Pell used will be reduced to reflect the amount of Pell award you keep.

I have read the above disclosure. I will contact my FinAid Advisor with any questions before submitting this request. If declining this aid results in a financial aid repayment, I will pay that amount immediately upon my aid being adjusted. This will result in my RCC account reflecting a \$0 balance owed for the term in question. If my repayment cannot be processed for any reason, I understand that this request will be denied and my full Pell award reinstated. I understand that RCC has up to 30 days to report any change in Pell usage so that my Pell Lifetime Eligibility Used (LEU) is updated.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submit completed form to:
Financial Aid Advising

3345 Redwood Highway, Grants Pass, OR 97527

General Phone: 541.956.7501 **Fax:** 541.471.3585

Email: Refer to www.roguecc.edu/RCCfinAid/contact.asp
for your specific FinAid Advisor's email per your pathway.

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