

## Financial Aid Terms and Conditions

### **I understand that to receive financial assistance at The Evergreen State College:**

1. I must be a United States citizen or an eligible non-citizen to receive most types of financial aid.
2. I must be fully admitted to The Evergreen State College as a matriculating (degree-seeking) student (not a special student or a provisionally admitted student) and eligible to enroll.
3. Initial awards are based on full time enrollment and if I enroll less than full time, a reduction or cancellation of my financial aid, including loans, may result.
4. I must notify the Financial Aid Office immediately if I change my enrollment plans, withdraw from Evergreen, take a leave of absence, reduce my credit hours, stop attending, fail to attend, or if my residency status changes.
5. I understand that the number of credits I register for, in each quarter, will affect the amount of financial aid I receive. My enrollment status will be locked (permanently recorded) and used to determine my financial aid eligibility on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of each quarter. If I change my registration to fewer credits, my eligibility for financial aid will change and I may owe funds to Evergreen for any financial aid I have already received.
6. I must make Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) to continue to receive financial aid. Please note that the college has a separate academic standing policy. [See our Academic Progress Policy.](#)
7. If I withdraw, take a leave of absence, or fail to attend class between the first day of a quarter and the 60% point of that quarter, I may be required to repay some or all of the financial aid I received for that quarter and future financial aid may be placed on hold. [See the Return of Funds Policy.](#)
8. I understand that any tuition waiver I have received will be cancelled or reduced if tuition is not billed to my student account. This may be the result of enrolling in a consortium program or the receipt of a full or partial tuition refund.
9. I understand that I may not be eligible to receive financial aid to pay for courses/programs previously completed.
10. If I received financial aid at another institution for the same academic year, I understand that my financial aid may be reduced to stay within the federal and/or state annual or aggregate award limits.
11. I must be working toward a first Bachelors or Masters degree in order to be considered for most types of financial aid other than Federal Direct Loans.
12. I must immediately report any changes in resources to the Financial aid Office. Examples include, but are not limited to changes and/or additions in educational benefits, tribal grants, DVR, scholarships, etc. Increased resources may result in a decrease to my other financial aid awards. I may be responsible to repay financial aid I have already received, including loans.
13. I understand that if I am a Resident Assistant in on-campus housing, the housing and meals provided to me as part of my Resident Assistant position must be considered when determining my cost of attendance and financial aid eligibility. I understand this could result in a reduction to my financial aid, but that loans would be reduced first before any grant or gift aid.
14. I am responsible for repaying any funds (including loans) I receive that cannot reasonably be attributed to meeting my educational expenses at The Evergreen State College for the period of the award. The amount of such repayment may include collection costs incurred by the college.
15. I understand that in order to receive Federal Direct Loans, I must be enrolled at least half time. If I am a first time Federal Direct Loan recipient at Evergreen, I am required to complete loan entrance counseling and sign a Master Promissory Note (MPN) before receiving my first loan disbursement. All Federal Loan borrowers must complete exit counseling when leaving Evergreen or dropping below half time.
16. I agree that the federal aid I receive for each quarter will pay for any current charges that I owe to The Evergreen State College. Charges that appear after financial aid is disbursed will not be automatically paid with financial aid.

If I am offered Washington State Financial Aid, I understand and agree to the following Conditions:

1. The State of Washington might be offering me financial assistance to help support my educational expenses. Visit [www.opportunitypathways.wa.gov](http://www.opportunitypathways.wa.gov) for more information about financial aid, scholarships, work study and student loans.
2. I meet the necessary requirements for Washington State residency. See information about [Washington State residency](#).
3. I am (I will be) registered in at least 3 credits as an undergraduate student and am making satisfactory progress toward the completion of my degree. See the [Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy](#).
4. I must be enrolled in an eligible degree program, I must not be perusing a degree in theology, and I must not currently hold a bachelor's degree. Additionally, I understand that I would be unable to receive state grant funds for a second Associate Degree within five years of earning my first Associate Degree.
5. I do not owe a repayment to any federal or state grant or scholarship nor am I in default on any state or federal student loan.
6. I must meet the minimum eligibility requirements for the state program(s) awarded. Information regarding state aid programs can be found at The [Washington Student Achievement Council](#).
7. I understand that state funds are awarded to assist in meeting educational expenses and should I not attend, stop attending, or withdraw from classes, repayment of all or part of the state funding may be required.
8. I understand that when I am able, I can voluntarily make financial contributions to the Washington Student Achievement Council in recognition of the state assistance I received, and that these gifts will be used to provide financial assistance to other students. Contact [finaid@wsac.wa.gov](mailto:finaid@wsac.wa.gov) for more information.
9. I understand that the offer of state financial assistance is subject to and conditioned upon the availability of funds. The Washington Student Achievement Council and The Evergreen State College reserve the right to withdraw, reduce or modify the awards (including state grants, scholarships, or work study) due to funding limitations or due to changes in circumstances which affect my eligibility. I also understand that there could be other circumstances that would require a repayment or reduction in my current award amounts.

