

Financial Aid Policies and Conditions of Award

Communication – The Office of Student Financial Aid uses your UMMC email account as its official means of communication with students. It is your responsibility to either check that account for messages regularly, or forward it to an account that you will check routinely.

Fee Specific Scholarships – The value of fee-based scholarship is based upon the amount of its associated fee (such as tuition, housing, non-resident charges) as itemized on your Student Accounting bill, but is capped at the amount listed in the package. UMMC will not process fee-specific scholarships when such awards exceed the amount of the charge. Therefore, if there is no associated fee, the scholarship does not pay. Although it is possible to have more than one fee-specific scholarship targeting the same fee, the combination of credits from these scholarships cannot exceed the amount of that fee. (For example, two scholarships that cover nonresident tuition will only pay up to the amount of the full nonresident charges. The student cannot receive the difference in a refund).

Miscellaneous Scholarships – Funds listed in that category are scholarships from outside sources (such as community organizations, churches and parent’s employers). Financial Aid assumes that any Miscellaneous Scholarship checks received on your behalf are funds to be used for the entire academic year unless our office is told otherwise.

Additional Scholarships – You must inform the Office of Student Financial Aid about any outside scholarships you expect to receive if they are not already listed on your UMMC award notification in Workday. If you receive an award during the academic year that was not accounted for, it can result in paybacks of federal funds and in some cases, scholarship money. Please complete the Third Party Scholarship form listed on our website and upload it in Workday to your financial aid account. This includes funds that you receive from outside groups like rotary clubs, pageants, local churches, parent employers, and veteran benefits, etc.

Overawards – If you receive funds in excess of your eligibility as a result of failure to provide complete and updated information or in the event of institutional error, you will be liable for any resulting overaward. An overaward is an overpayment that will be resolved by charging your student tuition account.

Refund/Repayment – A student who withdraws from UMMC during the course of a semester must contact the Office of Enrollment Management immediately. Students withdrawing before the beginning of classes must repay all financial aid disbursed for that term. Withdrawals after federal aid has been received will require repayment of a prorated portion of the awards. Any student who drops hours will need to be aware that the percentage of attempted hours that are actually completed is tracked for Satisfactory Academic Progress purposes. Also, if any hours are dropped after receiving a tuition or non-resident scholarship, any fees that are refunded must be returned in full to the scholarship funds. Detailed information about the refund policy is provided on our website.

Satisfactory Academic Progress – In order to receive student financial aid, all students must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress. This policy is fully described in your “offer of financial aid” and on the UMMC Financial Aid website.

Impact of Drug Conviction on Title IV Eligibility

Under federal law, a recipient of Title IV student financial assistance (federal grants, loans, and work-study), who is convicted for possession and/or sale of illegal drugs while enrolled as a student at GW, will be ineligible for further Title IV funds for a fixed period of time, as indicated below.

OFFENSE	FIRST OFFENSE	SECOND OFFENSE	THREE OR MORE OFFENSES
Possession	1 year from conviction date	2 years from conviction date	Indefinite period
Sale	2 years from conviction date	Indefinite period	

Ineligibility periods for Title IV funds for illegal drug convictions

Students convicted of both possession and selling illegal drugs will have their periods of ineligibility extended, meaning the student will be ineligible for the longer period. A student may regain eligibility the day after the period of ineligibility ends or when the student successfully completes a qualified drug rehabilitation program. The student will lose eligibility again upon a subsequent drug conviction. For complete information, please see FAFSA web page at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> or contact the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-4-FED-AID.