

Fact Sheet for Payment Options – Winter 2012

College Costs

In addition to tuition and fees, which are based upon the number and type of enrolled credits, students should plan on an average of \$300 each quarter in books for full-time enrollment. Depending upon the classes taken, book costs could be considerably higher than this.

Students receive a print-out of what their tuition and fees are for the quarter when they register. **The payment deadline for winter quarter is 12/27/11. For students registering after the payment deadline, tuition is due the first Friday after you have registered.**

Payment Options

Self-Pay - Students must pay their own tuition and fees by cash, check, money order, cashier's check, VISA or Mastercard by the tuition payment due date to retain their classes.

DVR, L & I or other outside agency payments - The agency must provide the college with a purchase order for payment by the tuition due date. If that has not arrived in the Business Office by the tuition payment due date, students must have some other method of paying for their classes when tuition is due, as well as paying for their books.

Financial Aid - Students who have completed the financial aid application process by submitting all of their required documents to the Financial Aid Office by the tuition payment due date will be held in their classes until their financial aid eligibility is reviewed. If, after the review process, they are determined not to be eligible for aid, they must pay their tuition and fees immediately as they will be removed from the "Hold List" and will be withdrawn from their classes. These students need to find another way to pay their fees and buy their books.

Students whose required documents have not been submitted to the Financial Aid Office by the tuition payment due date must have some other method of paying for their classes, or take out a Student Emergency Loan described below.

Financial Aid recipients who withdraw or vanish from classes before **02/20/2012** will owe a repayment of part of the financial aid award. **This also applies to students who receive all 'V' grades at the end of the term.**

Contact: Financial Aid Office Phone: (360) 538-4081

Foster Youth Program - You may be eligible for the Passport for Foster Youth Promise Program if you were a dependent of the state of Washington and in foster care on your 18th birthday on or after January 01, 2007.

Contact: The GHC TRiO office Phone: (360) 538-4022

Scholarships - Scholarship donors must submit payment for students' scholarships by the tuition payment due date. If the college does not receive payment from the donor by the tuition payment due date, a written agreement to pay can be accepted if the amount of the scholarship is adequate to cover all tuition and fees owed by the student.

Students whose donors are not able to meet this requirement must have some other method of paying for their classes when tuition is due. Students receiving scholarships should stop in at the Financial Aid Office to see if there is anything they need to do to obtain the funds.

Veterans Benefits - Only students receiving the Post 9-11 GI Bill, (Chapter33) will be held in classes until the VA pays their tuition. Other recipients of VA Education benefits will **not** be held in their classes pending receipt of their VA benefits. These benefit payments are made directly to students and the college has no way of guaranteeing that students will pay tuition and fees with their monthly benefits when they arrive.

VA students may apply for a Student Emergency Loan, but they will be required to make the scheduled payments to avoid being withdrawn from their classes.

Worker Retraining - Students who are on unemployment benefits, or have exhausted their unemployment benefits, may be eligible for Worker Re-Training funds to help with their costs. Students should check with the WorkSource of Grays Harbor or see Debbie Richters at the Counseling and Advising Office to see if they are eligible.

Other resources to assist eligible students with college costs are also available at WorkSource of Grays Harbor.

Contact: WorkSource of Grays Harbor Phone: (360) 533-9318

WorkFirst - Students who are low-wage working parents may be eligible for help with their educational costs through grants and/or Work Study funding through the WorkFirst Office. They can determine if students are eligible for this funding.

Contact: WorkFirst Office Phone: (360) 538-4058

Project Success Opportunity Grant – Student support, encouragement, and advocacy in the Grays Harbor College system. A program that may be able to assist with tuition, fees, books and other necessary expenditures to participate in an approved career pathway program.

Approved Career Pathways

Accounting – Automotive – Carpentry - CDL – Criminal Justice – Diesel – RN Nursing – Welding

Please Contact: *Project Success Opportunity Grant* for more information - phone: (360) 538-4155

Student Emergency Loans - **These no-interest loans are for the amount of resident tuition only – students must pay all required course fees at the time they apply for the loan.** Loan applications are available at the Cashier, Registration and Financial Aid Offices. Students must pay their loans by the due date. However, if they are not able to pay the entire amount, they may make three equal payments as indicated below. Students who do not make their required scheduled payment will be placed on the Unusual Action list and will not be eligible to borrow a future Short Term Loan. They may also be withdrawn from their classes.

Winter Quarter Loans will be available from 12/05/11 through 01/10/12

**Due Dates: 1st payment by 01/16/12
 2nd payment by 01/30/12
 3rd payment by 02/13/12**

**Contact: Cashier's Office Phone: (360) 538-4032
 Admissions Office (360) 538-4026
 Financial Aid Office (360) 538-4081**