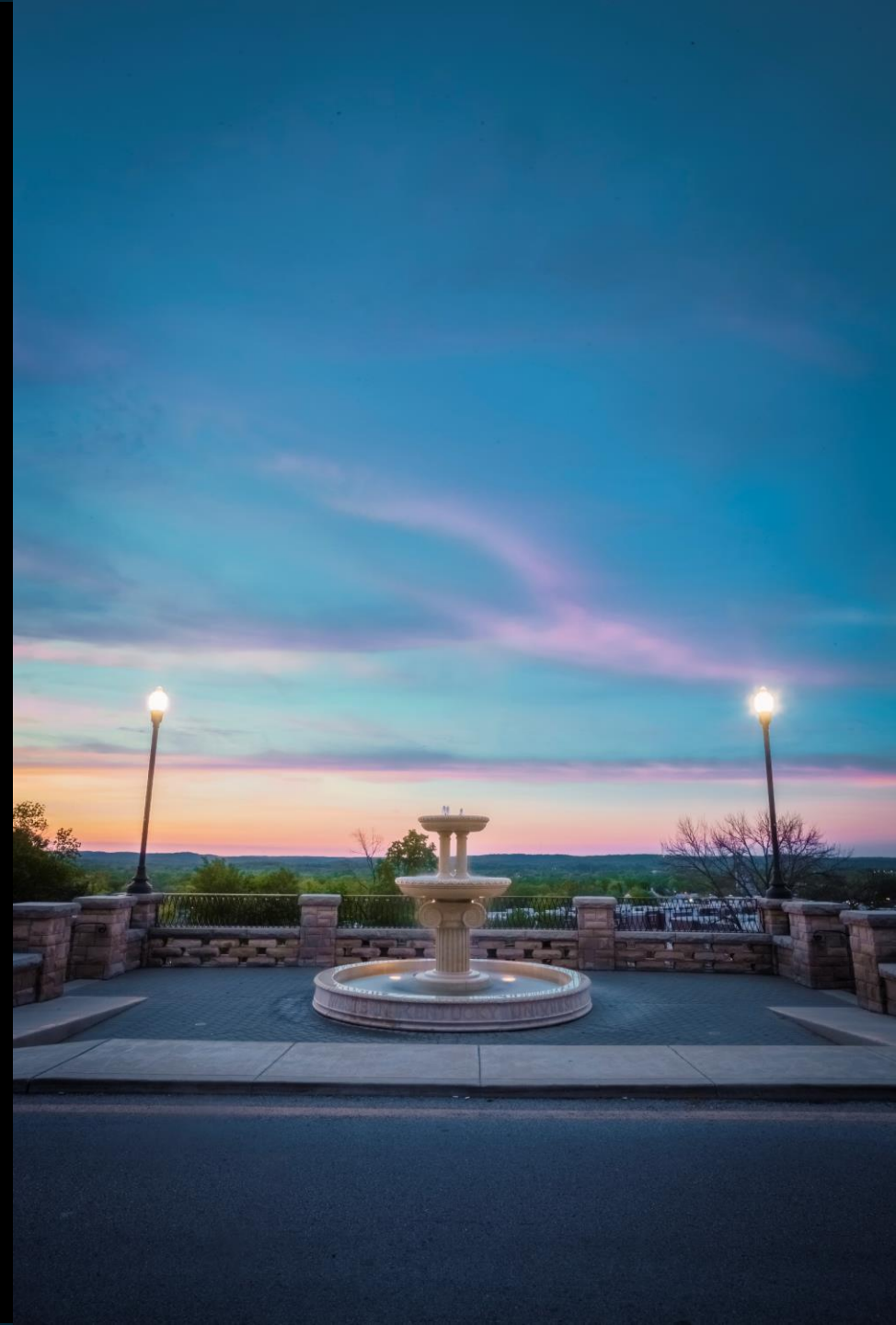


Q&A SESSION

# JUMP AND FINANCIAL AID

WKU Department of Student Financial Assistance





# Introduction

Discuss how JUMP students' financial aid eligibility may be affected due to certain federal rules and regulations.

## Q&A

Discussion about JUMP  
and financial aid

# Financial Aid

## PELL GRANT

Eligibility for grants is determined by the information submitted on the **FAFSA** each academic year. Recipients must be admitted into an undergraduate degree-seeking program and **cannot have earned a prior Bachelor's degree.**

**Undergraduate**

## CAP GRANT

Initial eligibility is based on being **Pell-eligible**. Recipients need to be a KY resident, admitted into an undergraduate degree-seeking program, and **cannot have earned a prior Bachelor's degree.**

**Undergraduate**

## FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS

Eligibility for loans is determined by the information submitted on the **FAFSA** each academic year. Recipients must be admitted into an **undergraduate/graduate degree-seeking program** and at least half-time enrollment.

**Undergraduate  
& Graduate**

# Federal Guidelines

If the graduate courses do not fulfill any of the student's undergraduate degree requirements, they do not count towards the calculation of the student's undergraduate enrollment status for Title IV purposes, and vice-versa.

## Student Enrolled in Both Undergraduate and Graduate Courses

A student who is enrolled full-time but in a combination of graduate and undergraduate courses may be paid a Federal Pell Grant/CAP Grant only on the basis of the courses applying to his or her bachelor's degree. For example, if the student is enrolled for 15 credits but only 6 credits are applied to the baccalaureate degree, the student can be paid a Federal Pell Grant/CAP Grant based on those credits applicable to the baccalaureate degree.

Any course which is credited only to a post-graduate degree **may not** be used in calculating enrollment for Federal Pell Grant/CAP Grant purposes.

## Undergraduate Enrolled in Graduate Level Courses

If a student enrolled in a baccalaureate program takes a graduate level course and the course counts toward the student's undergraduate degree, it may be counted when computing that student's enrollment for the Federal Pell Grant/CAP Grant Program. If the course does not count toward the baccalaureate degree, it may not, in and of itself, be included. However, the fact that the student is taking a graduate course does not make him or her ineligible for the Federal Pell Grant/CAP Grant.



# Jump Policy

2016-2017

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Qualified students who have been admitted to a JUMP program may complete a maximum of 18 graduate hours as an undergraduate student and **count a maximum of 12 hours** on both the undergraduate and graduate transcript as prescribed by the program.

2023-2024

Graduate Catalog  
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For undergraduate candidates pursuing a first baccalaureate degree in combination with a Master's degree, **nine (9) graduate hours** may be counted on both the undergraduate and graduate transcript as prescribed by the approved program curriculum.

For undergraduate candidates pursuing a first baccalaureate degree in combination with a Master's degree in a graduate program requiring thirty-three (33) or more hours, **twelve (12) graduate hours** may be counted on both the undergraduate and graduate transcript.

# For Example...

*If undergraduate students are enrolled in JUMP and taking courses for FALL 2024 academic semester*

Example	Hours of JUMP Graduate Program	Has student taken any prior graduate level courses?	Amount of prior graduate credit hours	How many credit hours are the students planning to take?	Pell Grant and CAP Grant should cover maximum credit hours for Fall 2024 academic term
Student A	33	Yes	Had previously taken 9 graduate credit hours	9 graduate credit hours and 3 undergraduate credit hours	6 credit hours (3 graduate credit hours + 3 undergraduate credit hours)
Student B	30	No	Had previously taken 0 graduate credit hours	12 graduate credit hours and 0 undergraduate credit hours	9 credit hours (9 graduate credit hours + 0 undergraduate credit hours)
Student C	36	Yes	Had previously taken 3 graduate credit hours	6 graduate credit hours and 9 undergraduate credit hours	15 credit hours (6 graduate credit hours + 9 undergraduate credit hours)

# Remember...

For financial aid purposes, students can only receive Pell Grant/CAP Grant for the number of graduate credit hours that will be counted towards their first bachelor's degree.

- Maximum of 9 graduate level credit hours if undergraduate student is in JUMP graduate program requiring less than 33 hours
- Maximum of 12 graduate level credit hours if undergraduate student is in JUMP graduate program requiring 33 hours or more

# Questions?

Contact Us!

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# THANK YOU!

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