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## Financial Aid Meter



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# Welcome to the Financial Aid Meter!

## The FA Meter is a tool that...

- Measures the utilization of your financial aid in relation to your Estimated Graduation Date
- Answers questions about your lifetime limit of federal/state aid
- Helps you plan ahead academically and financially to budget your money through graduation

## As a current student...

- You have the ability to access the FA meter to view your status at any time
- You can use the FA meter to determine the amount of aid you have used during your academic career and understand your remaining eligibility through graduation

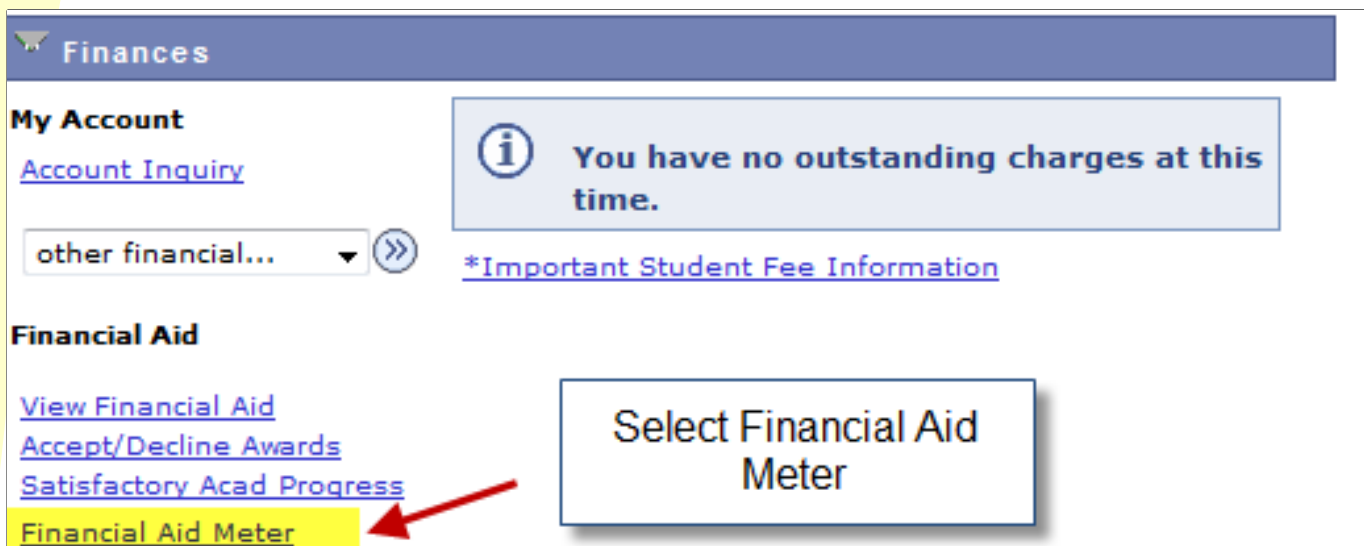
This tutorial will help you navigate the Financial Aid Meter

Sincerely,

*Financial Aid & Scholarships Office*

## *Access the Financial Aid Meter from your Student Center*

Select the Financial Aid Meter link under the Finances section.



The screenshot shows the 'Finances' section of a student center. Under 'My Account', there is a link for 'Account Inquiry' and a dropdown menu currently set to 'other financial...'. A blue information box states 'You have no outstanding charges at this time.' Below this is a link for '\*Important Student Fee Information'. Under the 'Financial Aid' section, there are four links: 'View Financial Aid', 'Accept/Decline Awards', 'Satisfactory Acad Progress', and 'Financial Aid Meter'. The 'Financial Aid Meter' link is highlighted in yellow, and a red arrow points to it. A separate box labeled 'Select Financial Aid Meter' is positioned to the right of the highlighted link.

## Financial Aid Meter Graph Details

If your financial aid application has been processed, the meter displays information about aid you received and projects remaining eligibility. No graph will display if your financial aid file has not been reviewed.

### Financial Aid Requirements

The graph below represents the life-time totals of aid you received and amount(s) remaining according to Federal and State records. The graph is based on your current award(s) from your 2016-2017 financial aid application. Awards are subject to change. More information can be found in the [FA Meter Tutorial](#).

### Financial Aid Graph



Sample graph

- **Red = Amount of aid used**
- **Yellow = Amount of aid and/or units currently receiving/earning this academic year**
- **Green = Amount of aid/units projected to have left remaining**

## Updates

Your financial aid will fluctuate year-to-year and projected eligibility will change based on usage.

## Data Information

Financial Aid Meter is a tool that attempts to project your future financial aid availability based on your financial aid application and estimated graduation date.

# Frequently Asked Questions

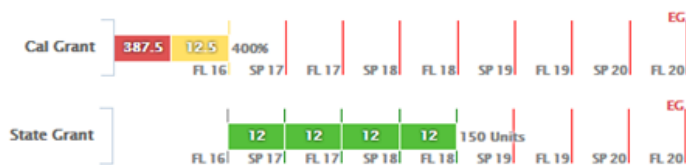
## Q1. How is the Pell Grant measured?

A. The Pell Grant is measured in percentages. This includes Pell grant received at other schools. See details below:

Pell Grant Info	Cal Grant Info	State Grant Info	Federal Loans Info	Subsidy Left Info
<b>Pell Grant Info</b>				
Percentage Used:	100%	Aid Year: 2017	Eligible students may receive Pell up to 12-full time semesters or six years - measured as 50% per semester for full time attendance or 600% max Pell Grant eligibility.	
Currently Used:	50%	Expected Graduation Term: Fall 2022		
Projected Eligibility:	450%	More Information: <a href="#">Federal Pell Grant</a>		
Max Allowed:	600%			

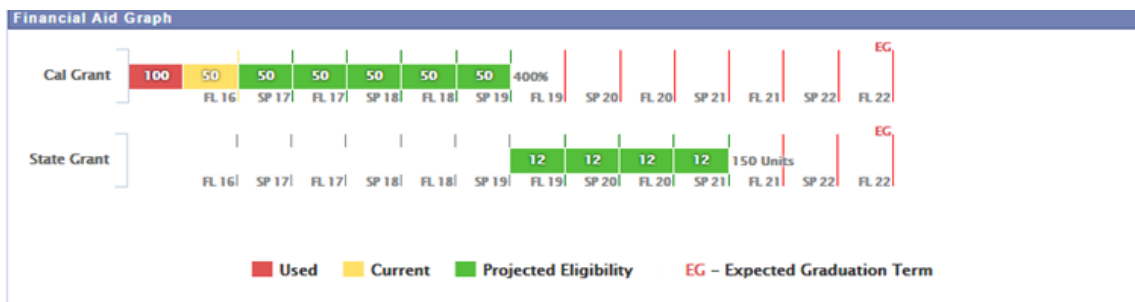
## Q2. I have used all my Cal Grant eligibility. Will the Financial Aid Meter project eligibility for other state aid?

A. Yes. Once you have reached the 400% Cal Grant limit, the Financial Aid Meter projects eligibility for the State University Grant up to the 150 unit limit. See sample graph below



## Q3. Does the Financial Aid Meter display information for Dream Act students?

A. Yes, the FA Meter displays information for the State University Grant and/or Cal Grant. See sample graph below

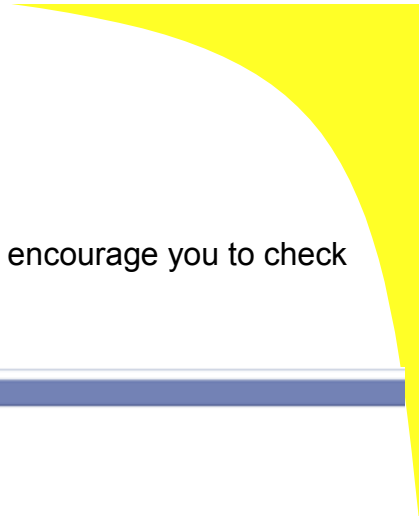


Pell Grant Info	Cal Grant Info	State Grant Info	Federal Loans Info	Subsidy Left Info
<b>State Grant Info</b>				
Projected Eligibility:	48 Units	Aid Year: 2017	Eligible students may receive State University Grant up to 150 earned units. Eligibility is calculated based on earned units at the beginning of the semester.	
Max Allowed:	150 Units	Expected Graduation Term: Fall 2022		
		More Information: <a href="#">State Grant</a>		

Questions?

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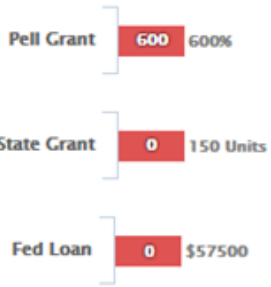
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## Q4. Why does my Financial Aid Meter not display anything?

A. Either there is no application on file or your file is under review. We encourage you to check back later. See sample graph below

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