Pell Grant Recalculation (PRD) Policy

What is the PRD?

The Pell recalculation date (PRD), also known as the Pell census date, is when the Office of Financial Aid finalizes your Federal Pell Grant eligibility based on your current enrollment status. This happens once each semester after the add/drop period.

Impact on Your Pell Grant:

Before PRD: Your enrollment status as of the PRD determines your Pell Grant amount. If you drop a course before the PRD, it can decrease your enrollment status and may reduce your Pell Grant eligibility.

After PRD: Any classes added or dropped will not affect your Pell Grant unless a mandatory recalculation is required.

Mandatory Pell Recalculations Occur If;

- Your officially or unofficially withdraw from all your courses.
- You did not begin attendance in a course included in your initial Pell Grant determination.

Pell Recalculation Date for 2024-2025:

- Fall 2024 is Monday, September 8th
- Spring 2025 is Tuesday, February 4th
- Summer 2025 to be determined

Special Considerations

If your FAFSA is received after the PDR, your Pell Grant eligibility is based on your enrollment when the grant is initially calculated.

Note:

At Bucknell University, the PRD occurs after the add/drop period for the Fall and Spring semesters.