
WITHDRAWING AND/OR DROPPING CLASSES

WHAT HAPPENS TO MY FINANCIAL AID IF I WITHDRAW (DROP ALL OF MY CLASSES)?

If you withdraw (drop all your classes) **prior to the first day of classes** and financial aid has disbursed, all of your financial aid will be cancelled and you will be required to repay KU. If you drop some, but not all hours prior to the first day of classes (and aid has been disbursed), your remaining enrollment status will be evaluated to determine if you meet the criteria for the financial aid you have received. If you do not meet criteria, your aid will be adjusted or cancelled and you will be required to repay the amount for which you were ineligible to KU.

If you withdraw **after the first day of classes**, you and the University may be expected to repay some or all of the financial aid you have received for the semester. If you withdraw within a KU Adjustment/Refund period, the Financial Aid and Scholarships (FAS) office is required by federal law to determine if your KU refund must repay some or all of the financial aid you received. The date of which you withdraw determines whether you receive a KU refund as well as the amount of the refund. It also determines how much financial aid you and the University are expected to repay to the federal financial aid programs. Therefore, **it is not possible to accurately predict how much you must repay until after you have withdrawn**. See the reverse side of this publication for example repayment calculations.

After you withdraw, you will receive a letter from FAS explaining which financial aid programs your KU refund repaid, if applicable. If your refund is not enough to repay the amount of aid the University must return to the federal government, the Bursar's Office will send you an eBill via email for the remainder. You may be required to repay the financial aid programs directly using your own funds. If you fail to repay or fail to make satisfactory arrangements to repay within 45 days, you may lose your eligibility to receive future federal and state financial aid (See Example Two on the reverse side of this publication).

WHAT IF I DROP HOURS, BUT REMAIN ENROLLED IN AT LEAST SIX HOURS?

In most cases, you are not expected to repay financial aid awards you received for the semester as long as you remain enrolled in at least 6 hours. However, dropping hours may affect your future eligibility for financial aid. Dropping too many hours over the course of several semesters could negatively affect your Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) status and result in you becoming ineligible for state, federal, and some institutional financial aid programs. For more information about SAP, visit www.financialaid.ku.edu/eligibility/sap.shtml.

WHAT IF I WITHDRAW OR DROP BELOW SIX HOURS?

The spring disbursement of your Federal Direct Stafford Subsidized/Unsubsidized and/or PLUS loan(s) may be cancelled if you withdraw or drop below six hours in the fall. You must contact FAS if your spring disbursement was cancelled and you want a loan for the spring semester. Additionally, the grace period on your Federal Direct Stafford Subsidized/Unsubsidized loans, Health Professions Student Loans (HPSL), Loans for Disadvantaged Students (LDS), and Federal Perkins loans will begin once you withdraw or drop below 6 hours. Federal Subsidized/Unsubsidized loan borrowers have a six-month grace period before repayment begins. Federal Perkins borrowers have a nine-month grace period before repayment begins and HPSL/LDS borrowers have a twelve-month grace period before repayment begins.

If you withdraw or drop below 6 hours and you have a Federal Direct Stafford Subsidized and/or Unsubsidized loan, you should contact the Direct Loan Servicing Center at (800) 848-0979. If you have HPSL/LDS and/or Federal Perkins loans, you should contact the Federal Perkins/NDSL office at the University of Kansas at (785) 864-3322. If you have received a Federal Direct Stafford Subsidized/Unsubsidized loan and you drop below 6 hours within the first 21 days of class, the Direct Loan Servicing Center has the right to demand payment of your loan in full.

WHAT ABOUT FUTURE FINANCIAL AID?

Dropping any number of hours or withdrawing completely can affect your future eligibility for financial aid because it lowers your overall completion rate for Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP). For more information about SAP, visit www.financialaid.ku.edu/eligibility/sap.shtml.

TITLE IV REPAYMENT EXAMPLES:

EXAMPLE ONE:

You are a student at KU. You paid \$1,220 in tuition and fees. On the first day of class, you received a Title IV Federal Pell Grant for \$782 and a Title IV Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG) for \$263.

You withdrew from all of your classes on the 11th day of class, which was during the 90% KU Adjustment /Refund period. You were entitled to a KU refund of \$1,098. You completed only 9.6% of the semester. The University must repay some of your Federal Pell Grant, since you are not eligible for 90.4% of the financial aid you received.

You will receive a letter from FAS informing you that the University must return \$782 to the Federal Pell Grant Program and \$163 to the Federal SEOG Program on your behalf for a total of \$945. KU will deduct \$945 from your \$1,098 refund to repay your Federal Pell and Federal SEOG Grants and send you a check for the \$153 balance.

EXAMPLE TWO:

You are a student at KU. You paid \$1,220 in tuition and fees. On the first day of class, you received a Title IV Perkins Loan for \$1,000, a Title IV Federal Pell Grant for \$782, and a Title IV Federal SEOG for \$263.

You withdrew from all of your classes on the 47th day of class (during the ninth week), which was after the KU Adjustment/Refund period. Consequently, you were not entitled to a KU refund. You completed 41.2% of the semester. You and the University must repay some of your Federal financial aid since you are not eligible for 58.8% of the financial aid you received.

You will receive a letter from FAS informing you that the University must return \$717 to the Federal Perkins Loan Program on your behalf. Because you are not entitled to a KU refund, you will receive an eBill via email from the University of Kansas Bursar's Office for \$717. This charge is now your debt to the University and not to the Federal Perkins Loan program. You will not be permitted to enroll in any classes at the University until you have paid your balance owed. Furthermore, if this debt is not paid in full, your debt will be forwarded to University Collections.

You will be expected to repay the balance of your Federal Perkins Loan according to the terms of your loan.

Additionally, you are required to repay \$242.50 to the Federal Pell Grant Program. You must repay the Federal Pell Grant amount directly to the Financial Aid and Scholarships (FAS) office within thirty days of the date of notification. If this payment is not received within thirty days, your Federal Pell Grant repayment will be referred to the U.S. Department of Education's Borrower Services for collection. You will not be permitted to receive additional Title IV Federal financial aid at KU or any other postsecondary institution until the amount has been repaid or you make satisfactory arrangements to repay this balance with the U.S. Department of Education's Borrower Services.

Note: *If the official withdrawal date is after the 60% point in the semester, repayment is typically not required.*

REFUND DISTRIBUTION — PRESCRIBED BY FEDERAL LAW AND REGULATIONS:

(Refund is applied to the programs in the order they are listed)

Federal Stafford Unsubsidized Loan	Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan
Federal Stafford Subsidized Loan	Federal Pell Grant
Federal Perkins Loan	FSEOG
Federal Direct PLUS Loan	Other Title IV Aid Programs