PEPPERDINE SEAVER COLLEGE STUDENT CONSUMER INFORMATION

Academic Information

The curriculum at Pepperdine emphasizes the broad discovery of all disciplines, as well as a deep concentration in one area of study. Semester-long general education courses sharpen critical thinking, improve information literacy, and build a learning community. For graduate and undergraduate students, Seaver College provides a liberal arts foundation through our strong academic divisions, undergraduate majors and minors, and graduate disciplines. Please visit the link for available programs https://seaver.pepperdine.edu/about/at-a-glance/ .

Academic Programs

Accreditation

Admission Fast Facts

Annual Fire and Safety Report

Articulation Agreement

Code of Conduct

Constitution Day

Copyright Infringement Policy -

Disability Services - The Office of Student Accessibility (OSA) seeks to accommodate students with documented disabilities to allow them equal standing in educational endeavors. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), along with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, were enacted to provide a clear and comprehensive mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities. In compliance with these laws, Student Accessibility at Pepperdine University is dedicated to maintaining an environment that guarantees students with disabilities full access to its educational programs, activities, and facilities. Accommodations are designed to level the playing field for students with

disabilities, while maintaining the integrity and standards of the University's academic programs.

Diversity Statistics

Drug and Alcohol Policies

Drug-Free Workplace policy

Cost of Attendance

The Cost of Attendance (COA) is provided as a guide when estimating the costs of specified programs at Pepperdine University, Seaver College. The COA is based on normal charges incurred by most students; however individual charges may vary based on the students choice of housing, meal plan, program of study, total units enrolled, and other miscellaneous items. The cost of attendance may be found here <u>Cost of Attendance</u>.

Emergency Preparedness Information - You can rest assured that Pepperdine works to ensure that we are prepared for emergencies when they impact any of the institution's schools or departments. Our administration considers protecting its faculty, staff, students, and resources a serious responsibility. The University prudently expends resources to ensure that it is properly prepared for whatever domestic or international emergency that may impact the institution. When crises impact other schools – be it Hurricane Katrina, a flu epidemic, or a fire – Pepperdine studies the event and betters its plans, realizing that preparation is never complete and that there always is more to learn. Drills are conducted regularly to ensure all processes within a planned response are appropriate. Part of that on-going preparedness is educating faculty, staff, and students on how they should prepare for and respond during emergencies.

- Please explore our Emergency Preparedness site
- <u>Read the Emergency Preparedness Resources brochure</u>
- For Current Pepperdine Emergency Information site

Entrance (Initial) Counseling for Student Loan Borrowers

Before receiving a student loan, first-time borrowers must complete an entrance counseling session. This quick and easy interactive counseling session provides useful tips and tools to help you develop a budget for managing your educational expenses and helps you to understand your loan responsibilities. This entrance counseling session can be found on the Federal **Direct Loan Servicing Web Site**.

Exit Counseling for Student Loan Borrowers

Federal Direct loan exit counseling will explain your rights and responsibilities as a direct loan borrower. Exit counseling information is also located on the Federal **<u>Direct Loan Servicing Web Site</u>**. You will need to have your Social Security number and your FSA ID ready in order to log into this portion of the site.

Equity in Athletics Data Analysis (EADA)

Facilities

Faculty Policies and Documents

Federal Direct Loan Master Promissory Note Instructions

The <u>Financial Assistance Guide</u> is available to provide step-by-step instructions in the aid process after you receive your Financial Assistance Award. You may log into <u>WaveNet</u> anytime to view the status of your financial assistance. Once you retrieve your Financial Aid Award in WaveNet you will be prompted to accept or decline your loans.

Federal Direct Loan Repayment Plans

Depending on your overall federal loan amount that you need to repay along with your current financial situation, there may be different repayment options available to you. This federal **resource** will provide all of the information you need to be better informed of your repayment options for your federal loans. Options may include, Standard, Extended, Income Contingent and Income Based repayment plans, depending on your situation. Not all plans are available to all students. While we typically suggest choosing a plan that repays your loan the fastest, generally the Standard plan, the Income Based and Income Contingent plans might be best for you right now. If you have further questions, please contact a Student Finance Counselor at the school for assistance. Please know that the federal government has the right to change the terms of each plan at any time, including eliminating and adding plans. Students also have the right to change plans, per federal regulations, as needed.

Financial Aid Facts

Pepperdine University offers financial assistance to eligible students through federal, state, private, and University-funded programs. However, the University believes that parents and students have the primary responsibility for meeting the cost of their education. NOTE: Funds provided by the University may not in themselves, or when combined with state grants, exceed the need level (as calculated by the federal formula) or the cost of attendance. All financial assistance provided to Seaver College students is administered by and coordinated through the Office of Financial Assistance, located on the second floor of the Thornton Administrative Center. Pepperdine University awards financial assistance on the basis of verified financial need or merit and does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, age, sex, disability, or prior military service. Please contact our office if you have questions at 310-506-4301 or by email at finaid2@pepperdine.edu.

Financial Assistance

- <u>Application Process</u>
- Loans
- Federal and State
- <u>Scholarships</u>
- Eligibility
- Estimating Costs

Graduation Rates

Graduation Rates Athletes

Information on Degree Programs and Majors

Loan Repayment Estimator

Please visit the Federal Student Aid website **here**, for access to valuable loan calculators to get an idea of what your monthly loan payment might look like, depending on the repayment plan you choose. When it comes time to repay your loans, we suggest a plan that allows you to pay off your loans the fastest. Remember, the longer you take to pay off your loans, the smaller your monthly payment, but the more you will pay back in total dollars. Not all loans are eligible for all repayment plans. Private loan repayment plans are at the discretion of the lender. Please contact your Student Finance Counselor if you have any questions.

National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS)

When a borrower receives a Federal loan or a Federal Pell grant, the information must be submitted to the **National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS)**. Information in NSLDS is accessible to schools, lenders, and guarantors that are authorized users of the data system. Students are also able to log in and access all of their federal loan and Federal Pell grant information. Students will need to have their FSA ID in order to access their information.

Net Price Calculator -

As you begin to think about applying to colleges, it is important to educate yourself about the financial aid process. This means taking note of important deadlines, understanding your eligibility, and learning more about the different types of aid available. In addition to our Financial Assistance website, the Pepperdine Net Price Calculator will help assist in the early stages of financial planning for college. This calculator will provide you and your family with preliminary estimates of federal and state aid, as well as estimated possible opportunities for Pepperdine institutional aid eligibility. After you utilize the Pepperdine Net Price Calculator, please feel free to contact the Office of Financial Assistance directly by phone at 310-506-4301 or by email at <u>finaid2@pepperdine.edu</u>, as we hope to serve as a resource to you and your family through the admission and aid process.

Placement Rates

Refund Policy - University operating expenses and student charges are planned on an annual basis. The refund policies have been established in recognition of both the University's advance commitment to operating expenses and a spirit of fairness for students who find it necessary to discontinue the use of University services. The tuition refund policies for dismissal and suspension are the same as for voluntary withdrawal. Tuition Consideration for refund of tuition requires written notice from the student to OneStop of the student's intention to drop a course or withdraw from the University. The date this notice is received by OneStop is the effective date for determining the refund amount according to the schedule below. Parttime and graduate students who withdraw after the add/drop period but prior to the fifth week of school are subject to the percentage refund schedule. Tuition for classes not meeting on a regular semester schedule will be refunded in the same proportion as the class time below is to the total class time for a regular semester. Specific dates are contained in the Schedule of Classes for the fall and spring semesters. Consult the appropriate Schedule of Classes for the summer term policies. Through the add/drop period* 100% less \$150

<u>Resolving Dispute</u> - If you have a dispute regarding your federal student aid, contact the Federal Student Aid Ombudsman Group as a last resort.

The Ombudsman Group is dedicated to helping resolve disputes related to the federal student aid programs, including Federal Direct Loans, Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program

loans, Federal Perkins Loans, and grant programs. By phone 1-877-557-2575 or fax 606-396-4821.

Return of Title IV Aid - A student who withdraws from all classes may lose eligibility to keep the full amount of disbursed federal funds. The withdrawal date will determine the amount of unearned aid. Seaver College is required to return unearned federal Title IV funds (Federal Direct Loan Program, Federal Perkins, Federal Pell Grant, and Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant Program) as stated in Federal Regulations, 34 CFR parts 668, 682, and 685 Return of Title IV Aid. The amount of federal funding returned is determined by Return of Title IV Funds Program calculations. Funds are returned in the following order: Federal Unsubsidized Direct Loan, Federal Subsidized Direct Loan, Federal PLUS Loan, Federal Pell Grant, and Federal SEOG. Additional information regarding return of federal funds may be obtained from the Office of Financial Assistance. The return of federal funds may result in an outstanding balance on the student's account. If a student's account is not paid in full by the due date, it will accrue finance charges and late fees. Outstanding balances on a student account may prevent students from preregistering, and academic transcripts will not be released.

Retention, Placement, Post-graduate Study

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Policy

Federal regulations (Sections 668.16(e).668.32(f) and 668.34) require that schools monitor the academic progress of each applicant receiving federal financial assistance and that the school certify the applicant is making <u>satisfactory academic progress</u> (SAP). Financial aid eligibility is based on SAP standards established by the University, pursuant to federal law, to ensure that all financial aid recipients progress towards degree completion. All students who receive University, State, private, and/or Federal aid must meet the criteria stated in this policy. These new SAP standards are at the end of each term.

The SAP policy consists of:

Maximum time frame Qualitative Standard Pace (Quantitative Standard) Suspension of Aid

State Grant Assistance - California Grant (Cal Grant)

Cal Grant awards are offered by the State of California to California resident students who are U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens that qualify. The Cal Grant A program provides funds to be used for tuition only. The Cal Grant A award is based on academic achievement and financial need. The current Cal Grant A award is \$9,084. The Cal Grant B program provides a stipend for living expenses in the first award year; in subsequent years, funds for tuition and fees as well as the stipend are provided. The Cal Grant B award is based solely on financial need. The current Cal Grant B award is a \$1,672 stipend payment and up to a \$10,756 grant for tuition and fees. Students should apply for the Cal Grant by completing the FAFSA form and the G.P.A. verification form by the deadline of March 2. These amounts are subject to change based on pending legislation. For additional information regarding assistance available from the state of California as well as tips to apply for California aid, feel free to visit the <u>California Student Aid Commission's web site</u>.

Study Abroad – Students enrolled in a study abroad approved for credit at the home institution may be considered enrollment at Pepperdine for the purpose of applying for assistance under the FSA programs.

The College Financing Plan/Financial Aid Shopping Sheet

The Shopping Sheet is a model aid award letter designed to simplify the information that prospective students receive about costs and financial aid so they can easily compare institutions and make informed decisions about where to attend school. Further information on the Shopping Sheet can be accessed <u>here</u>.

The College Scorecard

A planning tool and resource to assist prospective students and their families as they evaluate options in selecting a school and is located at <u>here</u>.

The College Navigator

A consumer tool that provides school information to include tuition and fees, retention and graduation rates, use of financial aid, student loan default rates and features a cost calculator and school comparison tool. The College Navigator is located <u>here</u>.

The Paying for College

Which may be used by prospective students to enter the names of up to three schools and receive detailed financial information on each one and to enter actual financial aid award information. The tool can be accessed <u>here</u>.

Withdrawal Policy – A student who fail to attend class or leaves Seaver College for any reason must officially withdraw through OneStop. In addition, students living on campus who withdraw after the add/drop period must check out with the Housing and Residence Life Office. Only those students who follow these procedures are considered to have withdrawn officially. The withdrawal fee policy applies. International students in F-1 visa status must obtain clearance from the Office of International Student Services before withdrawing from the University.

Vaccination Policy –

Voter Registration –

https://registertovote.ca.gov/ https://www.eac.gov/voters/national-mail-voter-registration-form/

Federal Pell Grant – Approximately 18% of our students qualify for Federal Pell Grants. **California Grants** - Approximately 12% of our students qualify for Cal Grants.