Changes that may affect your Eligibility for Federal Programs

- **Pell Grant Lifetime Limit (PLEU)** - There is a limit to the total amount of Federal Pell Grant that a student may receive, which is the equivalent of 6 school years. Once the total amount of Pell Grant eligibility has been received, a student can no longer receive Pell Grant aid.

- **Unusual Enrollment History** - The Department of Education will select for review the FAFSA application of those students with a pattern of unusual enrollment history at postsecondary institutions. Students with an unjustified multiple Institutions enrollment pattern may lose their eligibility for Federal Aid Programs.

- **Time Limitation on Subsidized Loans** - Effective July 1, 2013, first-time borrowers will have a maximum period (measured in academic years) of time to receive Direct Subsidized Loans. They cannot receive subsidized loan for more than 150% of the published length of their academic program. After the student reaches the maximum eligibility period, the student will lose eligibility for additional Direct Subsidized Loan and will become responsible for paying interest on Direct Subsidized Loans.

  Please, visit the Financial Aid Office to get more information.

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**Important Notices**

- **New Federal Student Loan Interest Rates**: The interest rates for 2013-2014 are: 3.86% for undergraduate students, 5.41% for graduate students and 6.41% for parents or graduate students applying for PLUS Loans.

- **Florida Voter Registration Form**: The U.S. Department of Education requires us to make the voter registration forms available to our students and distribute the forms individually to those students who are physically in attendance at our Institution. To comply with this requirement, the Florida Voter Registration Form is available at the Library, Financial Aid Office, Reception Area and at [http://www.pupr.edu/orlando/forms_documents.asp](http://www.pupr.edu/orlando/forms_documents.asp).

- **Constitution Day**: During September 16-20, 2013 we will celebrate the 226th Anniversary of the Constitution of United States. Visit our Library to get a copy of the Charters of Freedom: Declaration of Independence, Constitution of the United States and the Bill of Rights. For more information, you may visit:
  - [http://www.pupr.edu/constitutionday.asp](http://www.pupr.edu/constitutionday.asp)
  - [http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/continental/](http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/continental/)
**Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress**

Students are required to have satisfactory academic progress (SAP) in order to benefit from Student Aid Programs. The Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress of the Financial Aid Office measures the student’s academic progress based on the following criteria:

- **Qualitative Measure**

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| Graduate      | 0 - 9                |                           | 2.50                      |                                          |
|               | 10 - 18              |                           | 2.80                      |                                          |
|               | 19 +                 |                           | 3.00                      |                                          |

  *Transferred credits are not taken into consideration for GPA purposes but will be considered to calculate the student's level or academic year.

- **Quantitative Measure - Students must complete at least 66% of the total cumulative attempted credits.**

- **Maximum time to receive payments from federal financial aid - Students must complete the graduation requirements within a period no longer than the 150% of the published length of the program degree.**

  **Contact the Financial Aid Office for more information.**

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**Important Dates**

- **September 2:** Labor Day
- **October 14:** Columbus Day
- **October 24:** Withdrawal Deadline
- **October 30:** Deadline to submit the Affidavit for Florida Residency Classification
- **November 2:** Last day of final examinations
- **November 7-14:** Registration process for Winter 2013 (OW13)
- **November 18:** OW13 classes begin

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**In times of stress...**

We all face stress, and most people deal with it in a different way. How you choose to deal with it is up to you. You can decide to let stress consume all of your thoughts and energy, or you can deal with your stress, harness it, and save your energy to reduce the causes of your stress or do something else positive.

*Source: Sparkpeople.com*

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**Your privacy counts!**

The Financial Aid Office ensures confidentiality of students’ records.

- No information will be released to any third party, unless legally required to do so, without a written authorization from the student. This includes parents, spouse, siblings or friends.
- Confidential information will not be released by phone or email.