State Lottery Scholarship Use During Summer Session - FAQ

1. Can I use my lottery scholarship during the summer?
   a. Yes. Starting in summer session 2015 students who meet academic requirements at the end of spring semester may use the summer session as one of their eight total semesters of aid.

2. Can I use my lottery scholarship if I only want to take a couple of summer courses?
   a. No. Students who elect to utilize their lottery scholarships for the summer MUST take a total of 12 credit hours over the course of the entire summer session.

3. Can I use the entire summer (i.e., First Summer, Second Summer, Minimesters, etc.) to complete the required 12 credit hours needed to use my lottery scholarship during the summer?
   a. Yes. Students who use their lottery scholarships during the summer may take the 12 credit hours during any of the seven current summer terms.

4. If I sign up for 12 credit hours across the summer session, are the courses that I sign up for guaranteed to be offered?
   a. No. Summer courses are always contingent on having enough students sign up for the course to pay the instructional expenses, so courses can still be cancelled for low enrollments. Students will still be required to take 12 student credit hours in order to use their lottery scholarships during the summer, even if courses are cancelled.

5. So, are there any courses that are “guaranteed” to not be cancelled during the summer?
   a. Not really. The only partial exception to this is for courses that count toward the completion of a minor in Business Administration (i.e., ACCT 2010, FIN 3060, MGT 2010, MKT 3010, ECON 2110, 2120, LAW 3220). These courses are not usually cancelled due to low enrollments. There are also multiple sections of each of these courses so students should have no problem completing 12 SCH among them.

6. If I use my lottery scholarship during the summer, will I also be able to receive my other institutional scholarships or federal aid?
   a. Probably not. Most students exhaust their institutional and federal financial aid during the fall and spring semesters. Contact the Office of Student Financial Aid with questions about any balance of aid that may be available for use during the summer.

7. If I use my lottery scholarship during the summer, will I lose a fall or spring semester of scholarship during my senior year?
   a. Probably. You are only eligible for EIGHT total semesters of lottery scholarship aid. If you elect to use one of them during the summer, it will count as one of the eight.

8. If I wish to use my lottery scholarship during the summer do I have to talk to anyone about it?
a. Yes. First, complete the Summer Enrollment Form, found on the Student Financial Aid website and indicate you wish to use your State Scholarship for summer session. A Scholarship Coordinator will contact you to complete counseling, which is required in order to receive your State Scholarship. You should also speak with your academic advisor to ensure that taking courses during the summer will speed the time to completion for your degree.

9. If I am a Co-op student, does the change in lottery scholarship legislation affect me?
   a. Not really. Co-op students will still need to complete the Summer Enrollment Form for Student Financial Aid; typically Co-op students who take courses during the summer session are eligible for financial aid because in their case summer session is their second session during an academic year, rather than their third session as in the case of students who attend full-time during the fall and spring.