

Dear Student

Your financial aid file is complete and soon you will be able to view your awards on the Hill College web site under MyRebel. Please log on at [www.hillcollege.edu](http://www.hillcollege.edu) and select MyRebel. Your user name is your first name and your last name separated by a period (Jane Doe jane.doe). Your password is your last name, first letter capitalized and the last 4 digits of your student ID (Doexxxx). The password is case sensitive.

#### **Accepting Loans:**

Once you have logged into MyRebel, select Financial Services tab from the top row and Financial Aid Acceptance tab from the list on the left side under Financial Services. Then choose the 2017-2018 year and select Go! Your award information will populate on the screen. Awards shown in grey are automatically accepted and do not require further action. Direct loan awards, should you want to participate in the student loan program, **MUST** be accepted, declined, or reduced by you. You may accept the full loan award(s) by selecting accept OR you may accept a partial amount by using the arrow keys to adjust to the desired amount and then select accept.

Direct Loan stands for William D. Ford Direct Loan Program. The Direct Subsidized and/or Unsubsidized loan programs require at least half-time enrollment. **After accepting and/or reducing your student loan award(s) you must complete entrance loan counseling and the master promissory note process. Entrance loan counseling and the master promissory note process is available at [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov). For more information regarding the Direct Loan Program and Hill College students loan policies, please read the Hill College Loan Information page on our web site.**

#### **Parent Loans:**

The Federal Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) is available to help creditworthy parents pay for their dependent student's education. Parents must log in to [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov) with the parent's FSA user ID and password. Parents must complete and return the PLUS authorization form designating who will receive any remaining PLUS Loan funds. The form can be found at [http://www.hillcollege.edu/Admissions\\_and\\_Aid/FinAid/Forms.html](http://www.hillcollege.edu/Admissions_and_Aid/FinAid/Forms.html).

#### **Census Date and Attendance:**

Census date is the final day for a student to be able to add course. Financial aid is based upon the hours enrolled as of the Census date for each enrolled term. For a 16 week course that is the 12<sup>th</sup> class day and for an 8 week course that is the 6<sup>th</sup> class day. In order to establish your eligibility for financial aid YOU MUST have begun attendance in each of your courses by the Census date. To satisfy this requirement for an online course you must have completed an academically related activity such as a quiz on a syllabus, a post on a discussion board or an introductory email. Review your syllabus for information on attendance in an online course. ***Students that fail to meet this requirement will have their grants and loans adjusted.***

#### **Enrollment Status:**

If you enroll less than full-time, your grant award(s) may be reduced or canceled. A student enrolled in 12 or more semester hours is considered full-time. Courses that do not count toward your degree plan cannot be included in determining your enrollment status. Any course repeated for a third time or more may not be included in determining your enrollment status. If you are enrolled in a clock hour program (Cosmetology for Operator, Instructor, Esthetician or Nail Technology), be aware that clock hour programs could affect the amount of your Title IV grants and loans. It is the student's responsibility to discuss clock hour programs with Student Information Services.

#### **Payments and Refunds:**

Federal funds will be drawn down to cover institutional charges which are due by the census date. The remaining balance, if any, after bookstore charges have been applied, will be drawn down and disbursed after attendance rosters are certified on census date. Federal Guidelines require all loans to have two disbursement dates. Therefore, students certified for a single semester loan due to completion of their program, will receive their second disbursement mid-semester. Students should contact the Business Office to request a Bridge Loan for any portion of tuition and fees that are to be covered by the Student Loan. Students who withdraw from all classes or never begin attendance may have to repay a part of their financial aid funds. Please review the Return to Title IV funds section of the Hill College student handbook.

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