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ACADEMIC COMPETITIVENESS GRANT

MAINTAINING YOUR ELIGIBILITY

Students who are awarded the Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG) must meet the following standards to ***remain*** eligible for ACG funds:

1st year students:

1. Enrolled at least half-time (6 semester hours or more)
2. Enrolled in a major leading to a degree or certificate (NO short term certificates)

2nd year students:

1. Enrolled at least half-time (6 semester hours or more)
2. Enrolled in a major leading to a degree or certificate (NO short term certificates)
3. Earn at least 30 semester hours with a cumulative GPA of 3.0. This includes coursework completed at Shelton State Community College and coursework transferred from other colleges/universities attended, excluding developmental/remedial coursework. The GPA is calculated **only at the time 30 semester hours is completed.**

*If the GPA requirement is **not met** at the time 30 semester hours is earned, then the student is **not eligible** to receive ACG 2nd year funds.*

Funding

ACG - 1st year students receive \$750 for one year (\$375 maximum per semester)

ACG - 2nd year students receive \$1300 for one year (\$650 maximum per semester)

1st Year

Full time	(12 semester hours or more)	\$375
Three quarter time	(9 - 11 semester hours)	\$281
Half time	(6 - 8 semester hours)	\$188 or \$187

2nd Year

Full time	(12 semester hours or more)	\$650
Three quarter time	(9 - 11 semester hours)	\$488 or \$487
Half time	(6 - 8 semester hours)	\$325

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Once a student uses all the funding for 1st year, they are not eligible for any additional funds unless the standards for 2nd year are met.

The ACG funds are in addition to Pell grant funds. Students who official or unofficially withdraw from the College prior to the 60% enrollment are subject to the Return to Title IV calculation as described in Shelton State's catalog and student handbook.

If you have any questions concerning your continued eligibility for ACG funds, please contact Farrah Williams at 205.391.2969 or via email at fwilliams@sheltonstate.edu or Cindy Green at 205.391.3903 or via email at ctgreen@sheltonstate.edu.