What types of financial aid are available for a summer Consortium program?

Only Federal Direct Student Loans and Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loans are available for summer Consortium programs. If you are not eligible for these types of awards, we may recommend private loans to you. UC Summer Fee Grants are not available for Consortium programs.

How can I determine what kind of loan funding might be available to me for my summer Consortium program?

If you did not accept or receive the annual maximum amount of your student loan eligibility during the academic year, the remaining balance of these loans are available to you to use for your summer Consortium program. To get an idea of your summer loan eligibility before receiving your summer financial aid offer, you can compare the amount of loans you accepted and received against the total amount available to you as shown on the following tables. Simply subtract the total amount of loans you accepted and received during the academic year from the total amount available for your appropriate grade level to calculate your remaining summer loan eligibility. You can check the Award Payment Status screen on MyFinAid for your 2014-15 loan information.

### ANNUAL LIMITS FOR FEDERAL DIRECT LOANS

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**EXAMPLE:** Joe Cal is a dependent sophomore who accepted and received $3,450 of his loan eligibility during the academic year. This leaves him with $3,050 remaining student loan eligibility for the summer term. ($6,500 - $3,450 = $3,050)

**EXAMPLE:** Katie Cal is an independent freshman who accepted and received $9,500 of her loan eligibility during the academic year. This leaves her with no remaining student loan eligibility for the summer term. ($9,500 - $9,500 = $0)

How do I apply for financial aid to attend a summer Consortium program?

For information about how to apply for financial aid for a summer Consortium program, please see: financialaid.berkeley.edu/study-abroad.
Can I attend UC Berkeley and a different college, or two different colleges and universities, and still receive financial aid?

No. This is called "concurrent enrollment," and you will not qualify for financial aid for both programs. While you can certainly attend both programs, you can only apply for and receive aid for one program, and that program must meet basic eligibility requirements.

What are the basic eligibility requirements for summer Consortium financial aid?

1. You need to **enroll** in a minimum of 9 quarter, or 6 semester units, and your program needs to be no less than 4 weeks in length, to qualify for summer financial aid.

2. **Your Campus Accounts Receivable System (CARS) account needs to have a $0 balance.** If any balance remains in your CARS account, your aid will be withheld until it has been cleared.

3. You cannot be on the spring degree list. Your aid will be withheld until your name is removed from the degree list. Speak with your college to remove yourself from the spring degree list.

4. You need to have an active **Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) account.** Sign up at [https://eftstudent.berkeley.edu/](https://eftstudent.berkeley.edu/)

What do I need to know about Consortium summer financial aid?

- You need to **pay any registration fees or deposits** owed to the host campus before that host campus’s deadline. These expenses are not covered by financial aid.

- We advise you to **purchase a plane ticket, and any passport and visas well in advance of your departure date.** Financial aid will disburse to you only 10 days before the start date of your program, and any refund to you via EFT happens approximately 3 or 4 days later, which is not enough time to get a good deal on airfare, or to arrange for a passport and visa. Planning in advance for your trip is very important.

- You need to **pay the host college, university, or program** after you receive your financial aid. UC Berkeley does not make payments on your behalf; we pay you, and then you need to pay the host campus you’re attending.

- You need to **request that a transcript of your summer coursework** be sent to UC Berkeley within 30 days after the completion of your summer program. All coursework needs to be posted to your UC Berkeley transcript within 6 months after the completion of your program, or you will be billed for your financial aid.

Still have questions?

Visit the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office website: [financialaid.berkeley.edu](http://financialaid.berkeley.edu)

Email travelaid@berkeley.edu

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