

# **STATE NEED BASED GRANT TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

You have been awarded a South Carolina Need Based Grant (SNBG). The amount of your award has been printed on the enclosed award letter.

In some cases in order not to exceed your demonstrated need, we have reduced or removed a less desirable financial aid program. In most cases, we have canceled or reduced a loan and replaced it with the grant. If you receive any other grant or scholarships after you have been awarded a SNBG, the SNBG is subject to removal or reduction.

In order to receive the SNBG, you must comply with some requirements, which are a part of the law. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in removal of the grant offered. To receive the State Need Based Grant, you must be:

1. a legal resident of the state of South Carolina
2. of good moral character, having no felony convictions, drug or alcohol convictions, or criminal record during the preceding calendar year defined as 12 months from the date of the start of school
3. give permission for a background check to be conducted to verify the above
4. admitted and enrolled full time as an undergraduate student, seeking your first undergraduate degree
5. making satisfactory academic progress as defined in the "Terms and Conditions" provided with your first award letter or with this letter

It will be necessary for you to sign, date, and return the enclosed **CERTIFICATION AND AFFIDAVIT FORM**.

You must register for at least twelve hours of credit, if full-time; or six semester hours, if less than full time for the Fall Semester. You must also register for twelve hours of credit, if full-time; or six semester hours, if less than full time for the Spring Semester.

You must complete a minimum of twenty-four semester hours in two terms if full-time; and twelve semester to eighteen semester hours if less than full time in two terms. Summer school credits cannot be used to make up shortages in the Fall and Spring semesters.

You must have a 2.00 Grade Point Average on all USC courses attempted to receive SNBG.

If your residency changes after the award or receipt of the SNBG, your award may be removed or potential repayment required.

SNBG funds will not be made available for summer school or periods of attendance other than Fall and Spring semesters.

A student will be allowed to receive only eight semesters of SNBG.\*

Eligibility will be determined each year by submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

## **PLEASE RETAIN THIS INFORMATION.**

\*If you have questions regarding the number of terms you have been awarded a Need-based Grant, please contact your financial aid office.