To receive a UW athletic scholarship, you must have signed a scholarship agreement. That agreement stated what percentage of the grant-in-aid costs your scholarship will cover. Grant-in-aid costs are tuition, room and board, and required textbooks.

NCAA rules require that athletic scholarships be disbursed evenly over all 3 quarters of the regular academic year in most cases. So, depending on your scholarship amount, you may end up with a partial tuition bill or a partial housing bill each quarter.

If you are unclear about what your particular scholarship covers, please contact Robin Chang, Associate Compliance Coordinator at robinc@u.washington.edu or (206) 616-2808.

**Tuition:**

If your athletic scholarship includes some portion of tuition, that portion will be applied directly to your tuition bill each quarter. Please monitor your student account to make sure your scholarship is applied correctly and that you are prepared to pay any remaining charges before the tuition due date, which is always the third Friday of each quarter.

Some examples of common student account charges that cannot be covered by an athletic scholarship include the UPass (Seattle Metro bus pass provided to all students each quarter), UW Student Accident and Sickness Insurance, late registration fees, late change fees, late payment fees. If you want to take advantage of the bus pass or insurance services, or if you incur other extra fees, those costs are your responsibility, regardless of the amount of your athletic scholarship.

**Room and board:**

Room and board scholarships must be paid at a rate equal to the average cost of on-campus housing, whether the recipient student-athlete lives on or off campus. Room and board can be paid for October through June, but the actual months covered will depend on each individual’s scholarship agreement.

If you live in the UW residence halls, your athletic scholarship will be applied to your Housing and Food Services bill each quarter. However, if you are receiving any partial months of room and board scholarship, these partial month payments will be made directly to you in the form of a check at the start of that month. Because Housing and Food Services will bill you for the entire quarter prior to the start of that quarter, for those months that are partial, the scholarship is a reimbursement. Checks for partial months will be available three business days before the first of
that month from Suzanne Anderson’s office in the Conibear Shellhouse, room 134. Student-athletes must pick up their checks in person.

When living in the residence halls, you must choose a dining plan. Student-athletes receiving an athletic scholarship are automatically enrolled in the premium “Purple” dining plan for those months covered by the scholarship. During those months, you will receive weekly dining plan money distributions each Friday morning to help you budget so you do not run out of food money. Also during those covered months, you will receive $100/month of your dining plan money on your Husky Card account (this amount may be reduced by certain charges). This is part of your dining plan money which is to be used for food, but gives you the flexibility to eat at local restaurants and take advantage of local grocery stores that accept Husky Card payments. For a list of establishments that accept the Husky Card, please visit: http://hfs.washington.edu/husky_card/places.aspx.

For any months not covered by scholarship, you are free to change your dining plan choice through Housing and Food Services.

If you live in an off-campus apartment, fraternity, sorority, or anywhere else aside from UW residence facilities, your room and board will be paid directly to you in the form of a monthly check. Checks will be available three business days before the first day of the covered month from Suzanne Anderson’s office in the Conibear Shellhouse, room 134. Student-athletes must pick up their checks in person.

**Textbooks:**

Required textbooks and required photocopied materials are provided to student-athletes whose athletic scholarship includes textbooks. This is an excellent opportunity for student-athletes to begin their own personal library since learning is a life-long endeavor.

What is covered by a textbooks scholarship?

- A student-athlete can only receive books for a course in which he/she is actually enrolled.
- The Athletic Department can only cover the cost of actual required course books. This includes textbooks and/or photocopied materials.
- Course-related materials such as architecture or art supplies, music tapes, and lecture notes are not covered in your book scholarship.

To use your athletic scholarship to obtain text books and photocopied course packets from the University Bookstore, the bookstore will need the following information:

- Picture ID and
- “Requisition for Course Related Books” form signed by the Director of Student-Athlete Academic Services (or designee). This form is generated by Student-Athlete Academic Services and sent directly to the University Bookstore for those student-athletes receiving a book scholarship.

If you are unable to receive your books from the bookstore, please contact Suzanne Anderson at (206) 543-0611 or suzy@u.washington.edu.
Some professors will require photocopied course materials that are only available from off-campus copy centers. Student-athletes needing to purchase these required course materials must purchase them with their own money first, then seek reimbursement from the Athletic Department Business Office. The following information is needed in order to receive reimbursement:
  - Completed reimbursement form available from Suzanne Anderson’s office in the Conibear Shellhouse, room 134.
  - Receipt from the copy center with the copy center’s name imprinted on the receipt.

**Procedures for returning textbooks:**

If a student-athlete receiving a book scholarship adds or drops a class after receiving the textbooks for the dropped class, textbooks for the newly added class will be available only after textbooks from the dropped class have been returned to the bookstore and the student-athlete presents the return receipt. Failure to do so will lead to the suspension of book privileges. To change your textbooks after changing your class schedule, please contact Suzanne Anderson at (206) 543-0611, suzy@u.washington.edu or go to Conibear Shellhouse, room 134.

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**Non-Athletics Related Financial Aid**

All students are encouraged to apply for non-athletic aid. You can contact the Athletic Department’s Associate Compliance Coordinator for further information regarding financial aid or visit the Office of Student Financial Aid’s website at: [http://www.washington.edu/students/osfa/](http://www.washington.edu/students/osfa/).

To be considered for state or federal financial aid programs, you must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA application is available online at [http://www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov), or paper forms are available from the UW Office of Student Financial Aid or most high schools. This application must be completed to qualify for state and federal grants and loans, including the Pell Grant and the UW’s Husky Promise program. The Pell Grant is awarded on the basis of your family’s financial situation and may be accepted on top of any athletic scholarship. The maximum Pell Grant award for the 2007-08 academic year is $4,310.

Please remember, if you are awarded a UW athletic scholarship, any other forms of financial aid that you may receive are limited by NCAA rules and you must inform the University and the Athletic Department of them. The Office of Student Financial Aid is responsible for monitoring financial aid records and will make the necessary adjustments to insure compliance with NCAA and federal individual financial aid limitations. Receiving excessive aid or impermissible types of aid can result in a student-athlete being declared ineligible for competition.

Please contact the Athletic Department’s Associate Compliance Coordinator if you are receiving ANY scholarships or loans from any source outside the University.
Information on, and searchable databases of, non-athletic UW and non-UW scholarships is available at the Office of Undergraduate Scholarships’ website at: http://www.washington.edu/students/ugrad/scholar.

**Athletic Scholarship Policies**

Any financial award given to a student-athlete based on athletic ability or sports performance is considered an athletic “grant-in-aid.” Under NCAA regulations, an athletic grant-in-aid is limited to bona fide educational expenses including tuition, compulsory fees, room, board, and required course-related textbooks. An athletic grant-in-aid is awarded for a maximum period of one academic year, fall through spring, and must be renewed, increased, reduced or canceled by the Office of Student Financial Aid by July 1 each year. If your athletic grant-in-aid is not recommended for renewal or is reduced, the Office of Student Financial Aid will notify you of an opportunity for a hearing to appeal this decision to the UW Athletic Financial Aid Committee.

Each varsity sport is provided a grant-in-aid budget within the guidelines for the NCAA, Pac-10, and UW Athletic Department budgets. Grants-in-aid are allocated at the discretion of the head coach. If you are recommended by the head coach for an athletic grant-in-aid and it is approved by the Athletic Director and the Director of Student Financial Aid, an award letter is mailed to you. After receiving the award letter, you must inform the Athletic Department’s Associate Compliance Coordinator that you accept or decline the award before the beginning of Autumn quarter. If you have questions about the terms of your athletic grant-in-aid, please contact your head coach or the designated sport administrator for your team, as stated in your award letter.

Conditions that MAY cause your athletic grant to be reduced or canceled:

1. Rendering yourself ineligible for intercollegiate competition by:
   a. Failing to make satisfactory academic progress in your course of study;
   b. Using illegal drugs;
   c. Failing to pay University financial obligations; or
   d. Violating written team rules as defined by the head coach.

2. Misrepresenting any information on the admission application, financial aid agreement, Letter of Intent, or NCAA Student-Athlete Statement.

3. Engaging in misconduct and being placed on probation by the regular student disciplinary authority, which prohibits participation in athletics.

4. Voluntarily withdrawing at any time from the team that awarded your athletic grant-in-aid.

Conditions that cannot cause the reduction or cancellation of your athletic grant-in-aid DURING the academic year:

- Illness or injury which prevents participation.
- Athletic ability, performance, or contribution to a team’s success.

If, for any reason, you are no longer participating on a team, but continue to receive an athletic grant-in-aid from the University, the Athletic Department requires that you work for the department. Student-athletes receiving a full grant-in-aid but no longer participating on a team
will be required to work 16 hours per week during the period of the award. Student-athletes receiving a partial grant-in-aid but no longer participating on a team will be required to work 10 hours per week during the period of the award. Please contact Robin Chang, Associate Compliance Coordinator, robinc@u.washington.edu, (206)616-2808, Conibear Shellhouse room 140, for work assignment options and requirements.

Any athletic grant-in-aid for summer quarter or any quarter beyond your four years of athletics eligibility will be considered on an application basis only. Student-athletes must complete a Summer Athletic Aid application or a Post-Eligible Degree Completion Aid application to be considered for either type of award. For more information on these aid programs, please contact your coach or the Associate Compliance Coordinator.