NAVIGATING YOUR FINANCIAL FUTURE
FOR POSTSECONDARY STUDENTS

Stay, Stop, or Drop?

By this time, you should have an idea of what your grades will be and if you are on track for your chosen degree path. Some of you may have to make tough decisions about your spring semester based on your fall semester’s performance. Will you stay? Do you need to temporarily stop? Or should you drop altogether?

There are many issues to consider when making this decision. Suggestions for questions to ask your academic advisor, student service counselor, and financial aid staff before deciding:

- **Stay:** Are there supportive services available to help me stay in school? Are there additional scholarships available to help me pay for school? What transportation or child care options are available?
- **Stop:** I need to take time off to take care of a family member; I’m deployed by the armed forces; or I need to work a semester to save up money to return to school—How does this impact my financial aid?
- **Drop:** How does this affect my financial aid? Will I need to repay anything? How do I submit formal withdrawal paperwork?

We hope that none of you have to face these tough decisions, but sometimes life happens and it becomes necessary.

Take time to read through the Stay, Stop, or Drop brochure to help you with the process of deciding.

DID YOU KNOW?

You may also research these websites for scholarship opportunities:

- [http://www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)
- [http://www.Fastweb.com](http://www.Fastweb.com)
- [http://www.gmsp.org](http://www.gmsp.org)

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