TO THE STUDENT NEEDING TITLE IV FUNDS TO STUDY AT JUC

ANNOUNCING
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Deferred Payment and Installment Plan

1) JUC/IHLS now has a program whereby students who qualify may enter into a contract with JUC to defer their tuition and fee payment to JUC up to the amount they have qualified for in Title IV funds.

2) The program enables students who wish to study at JUC through their home institution, and could not do so because of the inability of the home institution to apply Title IV funds to study at JUC, to now do so.

3) It replaces the JUC “Umbrella Program” of Federal Direct Stafford loans and Federal Pell Grants in lieu of Title IV for a deferred payment - no interest installment program up to the amount the student would normally have received under FSA (Federal Student Aid) Programs. The amount of loan funds is based upon the student’s grade level and as a result, determines how much the student may borrow. For example, the Pell Grant is tied directly to their eligible award amount (based on the Expected Financial Contribution).

4) How the program works: Students receive permission from the home institution for their study abroad program at JUC in the usual manner. They apply to JUC and receive admission in the usual manner. Home institutions determine the students account status and how much they have available for study at JUC. For those who then could not come because they need Title IV funds, the JUC deferred payment program takes the place of the Title IV funds. The student submits their FAFSA (Free Application for Student Aid) through the home institution in the usual manner and the student or parent sends the FAFSA form and amount for which they qualify and need to JUC’s Rockford office.

5) IMPORTANT: no money exchanges hands, no money is sent to home institutions from JUC or to the student. The contract is between the student and JUC. The home institution is sent the students JUC bill and the home institution remits payment for whatever amount is available in the student’s account. The balance due, based on the certified Title IV amount, is between the student and JUC and the no interest deferred and installment payment plan is only granted should the student qualify.

6) To qualify, the student must:

   a. Receive permission from the home institution to study a semester or year abroad at JUC.
   b. Be accepted for admission into JUC in the usual manner and application process.
   c. Be pre-qualified for Title IV funds through their home institution.
   d. Send to JUC a copy of their Student Aid Report (SAR, the result of the FAFSA).
   e. The SAR must not have any information that is rejected or has conflicting information. If selected for verification, the verification must be complete as required by the US Department of Education.
   f. Send an accompanying letter requesting to enter into the deferred payment plan of JUC and indicating their projected graduation from their home institution. Repayment is due the first day of the month following either:
      1) the conferring of their degree (for example; a student graduates on May 3rd of 2015. Payment then becomes due on June 1st, 2015) OR
      2) if a student has not been conferred their degree and is no longer enrolled at least half-time (6 credit hours), payment becomes due on the first day of the next month following less than half-time status. For example, if a student drops below half-time on October 21st, the first payment is due on November 1st.
   g. Understand that should they fail to begin the repayment in accordance with the accompanying schedule, a collection agency may be engaged to secure payment in full, academic records at JUC will be frozen and the student’s and/or parent credit ratings may be affected.