



## Summer State Scholarship Counseling Form

As a potential summer state scholarship recipient, I understand the following:

1. General Requirements for Determination of Summer Award Eligibility

- a. The purpose of this scholarship is to accelerate my track to graduation.
- b. For purposes of the summer awards, summer term is defined as the period between the end of the spring term and prior to the opening of the fall term.
- c. A student who has been verified as meeting all general and continued eligibility requirements at the end of the spring semester is eligible to participate in summer scholarship disbursements.
- d. A student must demonstrate having attempted and/or enrolled in a total of at least twelve credit hours at their home institution over the course of the entire summer term to be awarded. Students who drop below twelve hours after receiving their Summer State Scholarship will be required to repay their total scholarship amount to the University.
- e. Participating students who are determined as a Palmetto Fellows Scholarship or a LIFE Scholarship recipient and have met the continued eligibility requirements at the end of the spring term are eligible for a fall award regardless of their academic performance over the summer. Continued eligibility for the scholarship will be reviewed at the end of the following spring term.
- f. Summer scholarship award amounts are as follows:
  - Palmetto Fellows:
    - \$3350 - freshman
    - \$3750 - upperclassmen
    - \$5000 - upperclassmen with enhancement
  - LIFE:
    - \$2500
    - \$3750 with enhancement

2. Palmetto Fellows and LIFE Scholarship Enhancements

- a. A student who has met continued eligibility requirements for Palmetto Fellows and LIFE Scholarship and has met the scholarship Enhancement eligibility requirement, is eligible to receive Enhancement funds for the summer term.
- b. A student shall be verified for enrollment in an eligible major by the last day to add a course for the summer term.
- c. A student who is in their first academic year and has met continued eligibility for Palmetto Fellows Scholarship, as well as the Enhancement eligibility requirements at the end of the spring term, is eligible to receive Enhancement funds starting the immediate succeeding summer term.
- d. A student who has not met the Enhancement eligibility requirement at the end of the spring term is still eligible to use Palmetto Fellows or LIFE Scholarship for the summer term. Freshman students may use the summer to continue working towards Enhancement criteria.
- e. A student does not have the option of declining Enhancement funds for a summer term if the student receives their base Palmetto Fellows or LIFE Scholarship.

*I understand the following:*

- I must be eligible at the end of the Spring Semester to receive the scholarship over the Summer.
- I must be enrolled full time (12+hours).
- I am using 1 out of 8 semesters of eligibility.
- I cannot decline the Enhancement funds.

3. Options for Summer State Scholarship Recipients:

- a.  I have decided to use one semester of my state scholarship for the summer term.
- b.  I have decided to decline using a semester over the summer term, but still would like to enroll in summer school.

[Student's Name]

[VIP ID]

[Date]

[Financial Aid]

[Date]