

Frequently Asked Questions



Promise Eligibility:

- Duval or Nassau county resident who graduated from a Duval or Nassau county public, private or charter high school or home-school program within the past five years
- First time attending college and eligible for a Federal Pell Grant
- Enrolled full-time (minimum of 12 credit hours per Term) in a college-credit program of study that leads to an associate degree

Promise Eligibility FAQs:

- Q:** If I was dual enrolled in high school, will I still qualify for the Promise even though I took college courses in high school?
- A:** Yes, dual enrollment graduates are still considered first time in college.

Promise Application

- Priority application is July 15 to be awarded by July 31
- Students must apply to the College at least 7-10 days prior to completing the Promise application
- Promise applications can be completed at fscj.edu/promise

Promise Application FAQs:

- Q:** If I apply for the Fall Term, do I need to submit another application for Spring Term?
- A:** No, you only need to submit the application once per academic year before the Fall Term as long as you meet the continuation requirements below.
- Q:** I'm not planning on going to school until the Spring Term. Do I have to start in the Fall Term to be eligible?
- A:** You must start in the Fall Term and continue on to the Spring Term to be eligible.

Promise Continuation:

- Must meet with a Student Success Advisor and develop an Academic Degree Plan prior to the first term of enrollment at FSCJ
- Maintain a 2.0 GPA and be continuously enrolled full-time in the Fall and Spring Terms
- Complete 30 hours of community service by the end of your first year to be eligible for renewal. Hours will be coordinated and reported through FSCJ's Office of Student Engagement or the Center for Civic Engagement.

Promise Continuation FAQs:

- Q:** Does the Promise cover the Summer Term?
- A:** No, the Promise only covers the Fall and Spring Terms.
- Q:** If I was eligible for the Pell Grant the first year I was on Promise, but my family's income increased and I am no longer eligible for the Pell Grant, can I still be eligible for the Promise?
- A:** To continue to receive the Promise, you must be Pell Grant eligible as determined by the results of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

