

Undergrads - What happens if I withdraw from ALL my classes in the Fall (9/2 – 12/20)?

Before the semester starts through 9/16/21 (Last date for 100% refund from Student Accounts Office):

- Tuition and fees charges are cancelled by Student Accounts; *room and meal charges may be prorated if you were in on-campus housing.*
[MSU refund policy at www.montclair.edu/registrar/withdrawal-refund-policy/.]
- Financial aid awards are cancelled by the Financial Aid Office.
- Courses do not appear on academic transcript.

Between 9/17/21 – 9/29/21:

- Tuition charges are reduced.
- Courses will have a W/D grade.
- The Federal Calculation formula is required based on the official withdrawal date. This calculation will determine how much federal aid (Pell, SEOG, Stafford and/or PLUS loans) must be returned to the government.
- NJ state aid (TAG, EOF, NJSTARS and/or Distinguished Scholarship) not applied to billed charges must be cancelled.
 - If state grants were credited to the bill, they must be adjusted based on NJHESAA policy.
- Check NEST and email for updates.

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Between 9/30/21 – 11/6/21:

- Billed charges do not change.
- The Federal Calculation formula is required based on the official withdrawal date. This calculation will determine how much federal aid (Pell, SEOG, Stafford and/or PLUS loans) must be returned to the government.
- NJ state aid (TAG, EOF, NJSTARS and/or Distinguished Scholarship) not applied to billed charges must be cancelled.
 - Disbursed state grants must be adjusted based on NJHESAA policy.
- Check NEST and email for updates.

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On or after 11/7/21:

- Billed charges do not change.
- Federal Calculation formula is not required.
- Disbursed state grants are not changed.
- NJ state aid (TAG, EOF, NJSTARS and/or Distinguished Scholarship) not disbursed is cancelled.

Definitions:

Official Withdrawal/Leave of Absence – Fall Semester

Official Withdrawal is when you withdraw from ALL of your classes via NEST and submit the Withdrawal/Leave of Absence form available on the MSU website for the semester in question.

Unofficial Withdrawals

Unofficial Withdrawals: This happens when you end the semester earning “0” credits through any combination of “F’s” and/or “WD’s” for all courses. The Federal calculation will apply for federal financial aid (Pell, FSEOG, Stafford Loans and/or PLUS Loans) and the University is required to **return 50% of the total federal aid**. Any state grant funds will be **cancelled in total** per HESAA policy. Even though NO adjustment to the billed charges will occur, *in most cases, you will owe money to the University.*

Partial Withdrawals

If you are a full-time student with disbursed State Grant funds who withdraws from *some* of your classes after Drop/Add but between 9/10/21 – 9/29/21, you will lose a portion of your State Grants and, *in most cases, you will owe money to the University.*

Impact of Withdrawals on Standards of Academic Progress (SAP)

Withdrawals and F grades impact your continued eligibility for financial aid due to federal requirements. Review the SAP policies at <https://www.montclair.edu/red-hawk-central/paying-for-college/sap-regulations/>.