Financial Aid

<u>Census Date:</u> semester date that UAS no longer adjusts a students' financial aid package, "locking" them into their credits and their financial aid package.

- Fall Date: September 16, 2014
- Spring Date: January 27, 2015

Last Date of Attendance: last day the student actively participated in their class. For example, the last day the student attended a lecture, took a test, or turned in an assignment. For online courses, simply logging into the course website is not enough, they have to show engagement.

<u>Commenced Attendance</u>: the University is required to show proof that a student commenced attendance in every class for which they receive financial aid funding. Faculty must report failure to commence attendance by the second class session by reporting through the Early Alert system in Blackboard.

Stay on Track: Students that take 12 credits a semester instead of 15 credits require a minimum 5 years of education to obtain a BA. This extra year of education may cost the student \$21,000, generating \$12,500 extra in loan debt for the student, bringing their BA total to \$57,500 in loan debt. This debt may cost a student \$668 a month for ten years!

Encourage your students to take 15 credits each semester and Stay On Track! Non-freshman undergraduates can get \$500 a semester for taking 15 credits!

Emergency Retention Funding: the Financial Aid Office has funding available for students who are struggling financially due to unusual circumstances, such as the sudden loss of income, an unexpected expense, or lost/stolen text books. Students can find the request form on the Financial Aid website.

Financial Aid Experts: The Financial Aid Office employs highly trained experts to help students navigate the Financial Aid process. If students have questions about Financial Aid, encourage them to visit or call the Financial Aid Office located in Novatney Building and at (907) 796-6255.

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Faculty Financial Aid Calendar