

Date: January 19, 2011

IT'S TIME TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID FOR 2011/12 – including Summer '11!

Complete the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**. You can complete a **FAFSA** or **Renewal FAFSA** online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. You can use the same PIN you used to file last year. If you or your parents don't have your PIN's still, you can request a duplicate PIN at www.pin.ed.gov. ***If you are an undergraduate, under age 24, who will be getting married for the first time this year, it might be better for you to complete the FAFSA after you are married – check with us.***

- Your financial aid eligibility depends on your enrollment level each term. If you will be enrolled fulltime (12+ credits) for Fall '11 and Spring '12, you do not need to respond further – we will process your financial aid award after we receive your FAFSA.
- However, if you will be enrolled during Summer '11, please contact us to let us know your intended enrollment level. Additionally, you must be registered for Summer classes before we can award aid for Summer.
- If you will be enrolled less than full-time in either Fall '11 or Spring '12, please contact us to let us know your planned enrollment level for each term. Please realize that financial aid amounts may have to be adjusted if your actual enrollment level differs from what you tell us for any term.
- We will contact you if we need additional information or documentation. Be sure to respond promptly to these requests so that we can continue preparing your award.
- It will probably be mid-April before we prepare your financial aid award for 11/12. You'll be able to view and accept your award through my.CU.

If your financial aid is not processed so that funds are available by the time school begins, you will be required to make payment in full or enroll in a payment plan. If you don't, your account will be subject to an initial late payment charge with additional late charges added monthly until financial aid is processed and/or satisfactory payment arrangements are made.

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES – go to www.cu-portland.edu and click the link to Financial Aid, then Web Resources to find links to other sources of financial assistance.

QUESTIONS? Stop by the Financial Aid Office; call us on-campus at ext. 8514, off-campus at (503) 280-8514 or (800) 321-9371, or email us at: finaid@cu-portland.edu.