



## **PSYD CLINICAL DISSERTATION COMPLETION EXTENSION**

If you find that additional time beyond the 4th year PsyD Clinical program is necessary for completion of the dissertation, you must enroll in an extension. You may be eligible for financial aid for the first 3 quarters of the dissertation extension registration, provided your dissertation committee has approved your proposal and submitted the approval form to the dissertation office.

Proposal requirements are defined by each program and are included in your PsyD Dissertation Handbook. It is the student's responsibility to stay in contact with their committee and to follow-up on the progress of the proposal approval. If the proposal approval is not on file by the start of the PsyD Dissertation Completion Extension, financial aid eligibility will be suspended.

Financial aid eligibility may be re-instated once the proposal approval is on file as long as it is within the initial 3-quarter extension period. Please note that if approved to begin the internship phase while concurrently enrolled in dissertation extension, eligibility for financial aid may be impacted. Contact the Office of Financial Aid for consultation.

If you are enrolling in PsyD Dissertation Completion Extension (CY959ext), please consider the following:

- Students must register quarterly for Dissertation Completion Extension enrollment (CY959ext) through the My.Pacifica Self-Service online registration. You must be in good financial standing to register.
- This course will be billed \$3,216 per quarter.
- Students will be enrolled 0 units during the extension.
- Federal financial aid is not available beyond the initial 3-quarters of PsyD Dissertation Completion Extension. Students will be eligible for in-school deferment while enrolled in the dissertation extension.
- Please be aware that all pending financial aid will be canceled once the final draft of your PsyD dissertation is approved unless concurrently enrolled in Internship. Dissertation Editing and Processing Fees are not eligible for financial aid.

Federal regulations require all financial aid recipients to maintain satisfactory academic progress toward completion of degree requirements for continued eligibility. Students will be eligible for aid only during the initial 3 quarters of PsyD Dissertation Completion Extension enrollment with proposal approval. Any PsyD Dissertation Completion Extensions beyond the initial approved quarters does not meet financial aid academic progress standards and therefore under federal and academic requirements all federal aid will be suspended.

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE (LOA)**

IF YOU ARE CONSIDERING TAKING A LEAVE OF ABSENCE PRIOR TO ENROLLING IN PSYD DISSERTATION COMPLETION EXTENSION PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

- Pacifica is required to report to the Department of Education that you are no longer enrolled.
- You may enter into immediate repayment on all or part of your student loans if:
  - ✓ you have prior student loans in which you have already entered repayment and/or
  - ✓ you have consolidated loans.
- For current Stafford Loans, you will have a six-month grace period before repayment begins. Grad PLUS Loans disbursed on or after July 1, 2008 will enter a 6-month post-enrollment deferment period. Grad PLUS Loans disbursed before July 1, 2008 will enter repayment immediately post-enrollment.

For more information, please contact the Office of Financial Aid at [financialaid@pacifica.edu](mailto:financialaid@pacifica.edu) or 805-679-6197.