

Academic Advising @ BCC

The Top Ten Reasons Students Need to be Educated on Financial Aid and Attendance!

1. Financial aid is earned by consistent attendance and academic success.
2. Once the semester has started, students **must see their advisor** to drop a course or make any schedule change.
3. A course dropped during the first three weeks of the semester will not appear on the student's record.
4. If students drop below full time during the first three weeks of the semester, their financial aid will be adjusted **downwards**.
5. If students drop on the first day of the fourth week through the tenth week, they will receive a "W" for that course. The dropped course will count as attempted credits and can affect academic standing, i.e., probation or dismissal.
6. Students who officially drop a course after the "W" date will earn an F.
7. Students who fully withdraw once the semester begins are responsible for tuition and fees. Students should check with the BCC Office of Financial Aid before making the decision to withdraw. Students who choose to fully withdraw must see their academic advisor and then proceed to the Academic Advising Department in SS 210.
8. If any course is added after the third week, students will not be awarded financial aid for that course.
9. If students qualify for the NYS Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), they must take at least six "100" level credits in their first and second semesters, nine (9) college credits in their third semester and twelve (12) credits in their fourth semester.
10. Financial aid will only pay for courses applicable to a student's degree program. Students must work closely with their advisors and rely on their online Degree Evaluation (MyCollege/Student Records) in order to select the appropriate coursework for their degree program.

Please note: Students are responsible for clarifying all individual financial aid questions. The BCC Office of Financial Aid office is located in the Student Services Building (SS111). Their telephone number is (607) 778-5028.