



## **LIFE Scholarship Guidelines 2009-2010**

As a LIFE Scholarship recipient, I have read the following information on the LIFE Scholarship. I understand that it is my responsibility to seek guidance from the Financial Aid Office should I have any questions regarding the scholarship or should I need further clarification on the eligibility requirements outlined below. I also understand that I will follow up with the Financial Aid Office to ensure that all transcripts from prior institutions (including high school) have been received.

To retain the LIFE Scholarship:

- Students must register for at least 12 hours in the fall and spring to receive the scholarship; however, a total of **30 hours**, not to include remedial or non-credit courses, must be earned within the academic year (fall – summer terms.) to retain the scholarship a cumulative **3.0 LIFE GPA** is also required.

**Effective with the 2006-2007 academic year, the LIFE GPA is determined by calculating all grades earned at all public or independent institutions, including courses that do not transfer based on the institution's policy and college courses taken while in high school. It will be the student's responsibility to submit transcripts from all institutions attended to determine eligibility for the LIFE scholarship. Institutions will verify this information.**

**If you would like to know your LIFE GPA, please notify the Financial Aid Office.**

- If the LIFE Scholarship was not received in the fall semester, 15 credit hours (not to include remedial or non-credit courses) must be earned by the following fall with a cumulative GPA of at least at 3.0.
- RDG, MAT and ENG 031 and 032 courses **do not** count in the 30 credit hour requirement. The GPA for these courses **does not** count in the required 3.0 GPA. These courses are referred to as remedial courses.
- BIO 100, MAT 100, ENG 100 and RDG 100 credit hours earned and GPA earned **do not count** in the 30 credit hour requirement. The GPA for these courses **does not count** in the required 3.0 GPA requirement. These courses are referred to as non-credit courses.
- Students seeking a certificate or diploma program have 2 terms of eligibility; students seeking an associate degree have 4 terms of eligibility. This is often referred to as the "LIFE Clock".
- A student's "LIFE Clock" begins when the student begins college even if the student does not receive the scholarship
- The LIFE Scholarship is a fall/spring scholarship only. LIFE recipients are not eligible for Lottery Tuition Assistance for the entire academic year (fall – summer)
- Transfer students need to contact the LIFE Scholarship coordinator to determine future eligibility
- Students who are considering transferring to a 4 year institution need to contact that institution's financial aid office to ensure that the requirements to maintain the scholarship at that institution are being met.

### **Life Scholarship Enhancements:**

Available starting your sophomore year at a four year institution for math/science majors. Must maintain requirements for Life and complete at least fourteen hours in math and science during your freshman year, to include at least 6 credit hours of math and 6 credit hours of physical science including one laboratory course. A list of eligible program majors is available at [www.che.sc.gov](http://www.che.sc.gov).

I, \_\_\_\_\_, **have read and understand my responsibilities in retaining**  
(Print Name)  
**the LIFE Scholarship at Piedmont Technical College.**

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**Student Signature**

**SSN**

**PTC ID**