SSG Frequently Asked Questions

Application

Q. Can you confirm whether my application was received?
A. Upon submitting your application, a copy will be sent to the email you included in the form. This copy is confirmation you submitted your application correctly.

Q. How do I find out if I will receive a SSG award? By what date should I receive the new SSG award letter?
A. Please check the flowcharts on the SSG website.

Q. Do I need to complete a pre-approval? What does that mean?
A. For STANFORD courses, no pre-approval is necessary. For OFF CAMPUS courses: You must file 1-2 petitions. One with the Registrar’s Office using the Request for Transfer Credit Evaluation form found in Axess; and if using the course to fulfill a School of Engineering major requirement, a second petition with the School of Engineering- Office of Student Affairs. See the flowcharts on the SSG website for additional details.

Changes to the Application

Q. Is there a way to update my application or should I just send you the updates?
A. If changes need to be made before the application deadline, please resubmit your application. If changes are needed after the application deadline, please send your updates to soe_edp_admin@lists.stanford.edu

Q. I might be taking a different class than the one I selected earlier.
A. Make sure to notify us at soe_edp_admin@lists.stanford.edu; if you fail to do so, you may jeopardize your award.

Q. How will changing a course or units affect my SSG?
A. Once you have notified us of the course change, your application will be reevaluated. Since the award is based on units, if you reduce your units, your award may or may not be reduced. On the other hand, if your units increase, your award may or may not be increased. This is also based on whether the course is transferrable or not.
During the Summer

Q. The flowchart does not say that I need to send you my transcript, it merely says it will be checked.
A. For STANFORD courses: Once the Stanford summer quarter is over, we will review your transcript. No further action is required from the student.
   For OFF CAMPUS courses: You will need to have your transcript sent to the Stanford Registrar. See additional instructions on the flowchart on the SSG website.

Receiving the SSG After the Summer

Q. When and where can I expect my stipend?
A. Your stipend will either be mailed to your current address on Axess or deposited into the bank account listed on Axess. This depends on what instructions you have in your Axess. Check the flowchart for the exact date.

Q. As for receiving the stipend for SSG, must I wait until that information appears on my Official Stanford Transcript?
A. Yes

Q. I only received credit for one of the classes (4 out of 8 units). Does that mean I would still be able to get half of the grant amount offered?
A. Your application would then be reevaluated; your award would probably be reduced.

Q. If I don’t use my SSG award this year, can I save it for next year?
A. You will need to re-apply for a Summer Session grant next year.

Q. Can I request a SSG award for more than $5,000?
A. In 2020, the award amount was increased from a max of $3,000 to $5,000. We regret that we are unable to increase the amount.