Degree Completion & FA Course Applicability

3–1–2016

(Rev 6/9/2016)
What Is Changing?

1. Transition from PowerFAIDs to PeopleSoft.
2. Through the use of system and business processes limit financial aid funds to pay for only units that are required for a student’s approved program of study.
3. Provide students with timely communication when they are enrolled in courses that do not qualify for financial aid.
Background

- Federal policy.
- Currently have processes in place to identify ineligible certificate courses.
- Transition to PeopleSoft Financial Aid allows for course verification which was previously not possible.
- June 2014: Colleges request automation.
- May–July of 2015: Requirements defined by PS FA Liaison Team.
Aligning College Expectations with Federal Policy

- Enrollment Status Defined in 34 CFR 668.2
  

“If a student is enrolled in courses that do not count toward his degree, certificate, or other recognized credential, and they cannot be used to determine enrollment status unless they are eligible remedial courses. This means you cannot award the student aid for classes that do not count toward his degree, certificate, or other recognized credential.”

- Provide timely information to students about eligible courses, SAP, loss of loan subsidies, Pell Grant usage limits.
- Reduce amounts students must repay because they received aid for ineligible courses.
- Permit students the choice to take courses that are not applicable to their program of study and not eligible for financial aid.
- Automate systems to verify course eligibility, aid adjustment, and overrides.

Federal Policy

System Requirements
Why Now?

- Report Calls for ED to Revamp Audit, Program Review Processes

- Cash Monitoring List Unveiled
# Who Is Impacted?

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Source: CCCCCO Data Mart (2014/15)
Eligible Program of Study (PPA & ECAR)

- Associate Degree programs
- Certificate programs
  - Approved by the Department of Education and listed on the Eligibility and Certification Approval Report (ECAR)
- 2–year transfer programs
  - Acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor’s degree
### ACADEMIC CALENDAR: Semester Hours
**EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM LEVELS OFFERED:**
- **Non-Degree** (600-899 hours)
- **Non-Degree 1 Year** (900-1799 hours)
- **Non-Degree 2 Years** (1800-2699 hours)

**Associate's Degree**

**Two-Year Transfer**

### WAIVER(S):

***End of Waivers***

### PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT
**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 06/23/2011
**EXPIRATION DATE:** 03/31/2016

### ELIGIBLE: Y
**INITIAL APPROVAL DATE:** 04/12/2005
**CERTIFIED:** Certified
**LOAN DEFERMENT:** Y

### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

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<th>CIP</th>
<th>INSTITUTION'S PROGRAM NAME</th>
<th>APPROVED FOR CERTIFICATION</th>
<th>FULL CREDIT TO DEGREE</th>
<th>INITIAL APPROVAL</th>
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Eligible Courses

- All courses required for the student’s eligible program of study
  - Course prerequisites for required courses
  - Electives
  - Remedial (numbered <100; up to 30 units)
  - Repeat (per federal policy)
  - ESL
  - Transfer (numbered 300–499)
Full-time Pell for a year is $5775 (EFC=0).

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<th>Units</th>
<th>Enrollment Status</th>
<th>Term Dollar Amount</th>
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<td>12 or more</td>
<td>Full time</td>
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<td>6.0 – 8.50</td>
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<td>0.5 – 5.5</td>
<td>Less than half-time</td>
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College Liability: the difference between amount paid and amount student was eligible to receive.
Project Status

- Identify Eligible Programs in Academic Plan Stack
- Build communications
- Remedial
- ESL
- Repeat Courses
- Override functionality
- Program Specific Requirements
- Prerequisite courses
- Electives
- 2–year Transfer Program Courses
- Campus Business Processes
Degree Audit Rule Sets

Degree Audit (DA)

1. GE Courses
2. Courses for major
3. Electives
   - Shared Courses
   - Courses Not Used
4. Other Courses not in DA
   - ESL
   - Pre-Reqs
   - Remedial
   - Other
   - Courses not in DA or FA Crs Audit

FA Course Audit setup:
- Additional rules to allow fundable courses:
  - ESL Courses
  - Pre-Reqs
  - Remedial
  - Other
  - Courses not covered by DA or FA Course Audit

Develop new rule?

Exception Report;
Not fundable unless overridden

6. [Checkmark]

7. Develop new rule?
Financial Aid

FA Course Eligibility

Financial Aid Year 2015 - 2016
ARC
Fall 2015

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And the FA Ineligible Classes (Staff View) is available

Student View

Staff Override Screen
Who Has Been Involved?

- Campus FA Implementation Team
- PS FA Liaison Team Members
  - Financial Aid
  - Admissions and Records
  - College Administrators
  - Business Services
  - Open meetings
- VPSS/VPI/VPA
- IT / Evaluators
- Consultants
Issues

- **Timeline**
- Preparing Students, Staff and Faculty on this change.
- Unknown impacts on enrollment, programs, financial aid staff, and counselors.
- No funding for students for exploring various programs without changing programs.

- Fewer students denied aid due to reaching maximum timeframe (SAP).
- Fewer students impacted by Pell Grant limitation.
- Fewer students should lose their loan subsidies (SULA).
- Improved program completion (Gainful Employment).

**Challenges**

**Benefits**
Before moving this process into production, we must validate that all the information given to a student is accurate and true.