

DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
MICHIGAN HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY
CHILDREN OF VETERANS TUITION GRANT PROGRAM

(By authority conferred on the Michigan Higher Education Assistance Authority by 2005 PA 248, MCL 390.1343)

R 390.1901 Definitions.

Rule 1901. As used in these rules:

(a) "Act" means the children of veterans tuition grant act, 2005 PA 248, MCL 390.1341 to 390.1346.

(b) "Eligible age" means the student has reached 17 years of age and has not yet reached 26 years of age at the start of the enrollment period.

(c) "Eligible program" means courses at an eligible institution that are applicable or transferable to a baccalaureate or associate degree.

(d) "Enrollment" means the period of time defined by a participating school's academic calendar as the times when semesters or terms of instruction begin and end.

(e) "Full time enrollment" is defined as enrollment in 24 semester or 36 terms credits within an academic year.

(f) "Part-time enrollment" means students enrolled at least half time as determined on an enrollment count date that is established by each eligible institution.

(g) "Participating school" means an eligible postsecondary institution as defined in section 2 of the act that elects to participate in the children of veterans tuition grant program.

(h) "Satisfactory academic progress" means compliance with the standards of enrollment established by the eligible institution pursuant to the federal higher education act of 1965, as amended, regarding minimal criteria of academic progress needed to maintain eligibility for federal title IV student aid programs.

(i) "Tuition-specific gift aid" means a financial aid scholarship or grant that is designated specifically for the payment of postsecondary tuition charges and that cannot be used to pay any other education-related expenses.

History: 2009 AACCS.

R 390.1902 Statutorily defined terms used in rules.

Rule 1902. Except as otherwise provided in these rules, a term defined in the act has the same meaning when used in these rules.

History: 2009 AACCS.

R 390.1903 Responsibilities of participating school.

Rule 1903. A participating school shall do all of the following:

(a) Upon receipt of a letter of eligibility provided by the department of treasury, shall bill the authority for funds on behalf of students meeting the eligibility requirements described in section 4 of the act and these rules.

(b) Apply funds to eligible students' accounts.

(c) Confirm enrollment and submit other reports regarding expenditures and related data to the authority on a timely basis.

(d) Monitor the grade point averages and academic progress for grant recipients.

(e) Return refunds to the program promptly during the academic year.

(f) Not bill for tuition for a term or semester ending before an application has been received by the authority.

(g) Tuition may be billed for repeat courses, online courses, and off-campus study courses.

History: 2009 AACCS.

R 390.1904 Additional grant eligibility requirements.

Rule 1904. The authority, in conjunction with a participating school, may determine that an individual is eligible for a grant upon meeting the requirements of section 4 of the act and all of the following requirements:

(a) Possesses a high school diploma or GED certificate, or is accepted for enrollment at an eligible postsecondary institution as defined in section 2(c) of the act.

(b) Is enrolled at least half time as determined at the end of the participating school's refund period.

(c) Is not in default on a federal title IV student loan and does not owe a refund of a federal title IV grant.

(d) Is making satisfactory academic progress as determined by the participating school.

(e) Meets the program's eligible age requirement prior to the beginning of an enrollment period.

(f) Is not currently incarcerated in a correctional facility on either a full-time or part-time basis. Students become ineligible for funds immediately if incarcerated or at the start of the next enrollment term if it is beyond the participating school's refund period.

History: 2009 AACCS.

R 390.1905 Probation, suspension, and termination due to grades.

Rule 1905. An eligible student who meets the requirements of the act and R 390.1904 shall receive benefits under the act if the student's grade point average remains at or above 2.25. Both of the following shall apply:

(a) A student who fails to achieve a cumulative grade point average of 2.25 will be placed on probationary status for 1 term or semester during which time the student may continue to receive grant assistance.

(b) A student who fails to achieve a cumulative grade point average of 2.25 after being placed on probationary status for 1 term or semester shall be placed on suspension during which time grant assistance will be suspended. The student will remain on suspension until documentation of the required 2.25 cumulative grade point average is received by the authority in accordance with R 390.1906(b).

History: 2009 AACCS.

R 390.1906 Reinstatement of eligibility.

Rule 1906. Reinstatement of eligibility for assistance under this act shall be granted under the following circumstances:

(a) A student who has become ineligible for assistance for failure to comply with the provisions of the act or R 390.1904 may be reinstated if he or she has a cumulative grade point average of 2.25 and can provide evidence to the authority of complying with the act and R 390.1904.

(b) A student who has become ineligible for assistance pursuant to R 390.1905(b) may be reinstated if he or she meets both of the following criteria:

(i) After a term or semester of being placed on suspension, the student raises his or her cumulative grade point average to 2.25 or above and can provide documentation to the authority of such through a college transcript.

(ii) The student continues to meet the provisions of the act and R 390.1904.

History: 2009 AACCS.

R 390.1907 Length of eligibility.

Rule 1907. Students meeting all eligibility requirements in the act and in these rules shall remain eligible for grant assistance until any of the following occur:

(a) The student has received 4 academic years of grant assistance which is counted as 8 semesters or 12 terms of grant payments.

(b) The student has received a total of \$11,200 in grant assistance.

(c) The student reaches age 26 prior to the term of enrollment for which grant assistance is requested.

History: 2009 AACCS.

R 390.1908 Grant amount.

Rule 1908. The maximum grant a student may receive is \$2,800 per academic year, or the amount of eligible costs minus other tuition-specific gift aid, whichever amount is less.

History: 2009 AACCS.