

Higher Education Funding Policy Changes effective July 1, 2016

Date: May 16, 2016

Current Funding Policy	NEW Funding Policy
<p>Academic Requirements: Students may be placed on either probation or suspension for failure to earn the required GPA. Full-time credits will be established by degree as stated above.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Undergraduate/technical program students with a term GPA of 1.0 up to 1.999 will be placed on probation. 2. Josephine P. White Eagle Graduate Program students with a term GPA of 2.0-2.999 will be placed on probation. 3. Undergraduate/technical program students with a term GPA below 1.0 will be suspended. 4. Josephine P. White Eagle Graduate Program students with a term GPA below 2.0 will be suspended. 5. Professional students' (J.D./M.D./D.D.S.) status will be determined based upon the academic institution's definition of good standing. This provision has been added because many professional schools grade on a curve and the student may be in good standing with his/her institution, yet not meet the 3.0 or 2.0 GPA requirements of the Josephine P. White Eagle Scholarship as mentioned above. 	<p>Academic Requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Undergraduate/technical program students with a term GPA of 2.0 up to 2.499 will be placed on probation. 2. Josephine P. White Eagle Graduate Program students with a term GPA of 2.0-2.999 will be placed on probation. 3. Undergraduate/technical program students with a term GPA below 2.0 will be suspended. 4. Josephine P. White Eagle Graduate Program students with a term GPA below 2.0 will be suspended. 5. Professional students' (J.D./M.D./D.D.S.) status will be determined based upon the academic institution's definition of good standing. Many professional schools grade on a curve and the student may be in good standing with his/her institution, yet not meet the 3.0 or 2.0 GPA requirements of the Josephine P. White Eagle Scholarship. (p. 8)
N/A	<p>Scholarship Disbursal: All supporting documents must be received before the midterm. Incomplete student files will not be awarded and funds will not be dispersed until final grades are posted. (p. 4)</p>
N/A	<p>Required Travel Expenses for Distance Learning Students The Higher Education Division may reimburse approved costs associated with travel required for an online student to complete in-person coursework for a necessary program-specific course. Required Travel expense reimbursement subject to approval by the Ho-Chunk Nation</p>

	<p>Higher Education Division. *These funds do not apply to students who commute daily/weekly to their college/university. Required Travel funding may be used for the following purposes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lodging expenses associated with the travel. 2. Gas expenses associated with the travel. 3. Food expenses associated with the travel. 4. Will not reimburse for alcohol, cigarettes, ATM receipts, etc. <p>(p. 16)</p>												
<p>Summer Program Award Determination: The Summer Program is based on the student’s direct cost of tuition, required fees, and books not covered by another source and not to exceed the annual program maximum: \$3,500 for undergraduates and \$5,000 for Josephine P. White Eagle Graduate Program students, based on information from the need analysis prepared by the school’s financial aid office.</p>	<p>Summer Program Award Determination The Summer Program is based on the student’s direct cost of tuition, required fees, and books not to exceed the annual program maximum: \$3,500 for undergraduates and \$9,000 for Josephine P. White Eagle Graduate Program students. (p. 12)</p>												
<p>Summer Funding: Length of Funding Eligibility Maximum summer eligibility is six (6) overall summer terms.</p>	<p>Summer Funding:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1014 800 1906 1024"> <thead> <tr> <th>Degree</th> <th>Maximum Terms of Funding</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>One-year degree/certificate</td> <td>1 term</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Associate’s Degree</td> <td>3 terms</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bachelor’s Degree</td> <td>6 terms</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Master’s Degree</td> <td>8 terms</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Professional/Doctoral Degree</td> <td>10 terms</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>(p. 13)</p>	Degree	Maximum Terms of Funding	One-year degree/certificate	1 term	Associate’s Degree	3 terms	Bachelor’s Degree	6 terms	Master’s Degree	8 terms	Professional/Doctoral Degree	10 terms
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<p>Conditional Acceptance/Written Plan: Conditional and preparatory students may be eligible with a written plan. See “C. Application Requirements.”</p>	<p>Conditional Acceptance/Written Plan: Conditional and preparatory students may be considered with a written plan that explains the conditions. The plan must be approved by the Higher Education Division Manager. (p. 5)</p>												
<p>Absolute Deadline: Previously two (2) weeks into the school’s term.</p>	<p>Absolute Deadline: All applications must be received no later than the first day of the institution’s academic term. Applications received after that time will be deemed ineligible for funding for that term. (p. 4)</p>												
<p>For-Profit:</p>	<p>No For-Profit Schools (Grandfather Clause):</p>												

<p>Funded up to undergraduate maximum \$9,000.00/academic year.</p>	<p>Students who were enrolled in a for-profit academic institution prior to June 30, 2016, and have since continuously attended classes at the aforementioned for-profit institution, are eligible to receive a scholarship in order to complete their degree. Students must be continuously enrolled in the for-profit institution and demonstrate Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) in order to qualify under this “grandfather clause”. (p. 4)</p>
<p>Living Expense for Graduate Students: NEED-BASED STUDENTS: Students who are determined by the school’s financial aid office to have a “financial need” may be considered for Ho-Chunk Scholarship funding for allowable educational-related expenses based on the school’s standard budget.</p>	<p>Living Expense for Graduate Students: NEED-BASED STUDENTS (BIA funded): The application process for need-based students is different than the standard net-profit distribution (NPD) scholarship program. Those who are determined to be “need based”, according to the academic institution’s financial aid office, may be considered for Ho-Chunk Scholarship funding for allowable education-related expenses based on the school’s standard budget. Josephine P. White Eagle Graduate Students will be considered for tuition, books, and required fees only. (p. 6)</p>
<p>Disbursement for Conferences, Workshops, and Study Abroad</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maximum funding amount is not to exceed \$500 per conference/workshop and not to exceed \$2,000 per Study Abroad program. 2. Undergraduate/Josephine P. White Eagle Graduate Program student disbursement is based on grade status and earned credits toward degree. 3. Josephine P. White Eagle Graduate Program students in full-time status are eligible to participate in conference/workshop and study abroad programs per academic year. 	<p>Disbursement for Professional Development and Study Abroad: <i>Changed from Conference/Workshop to Professional Development</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Maximum funding amount for professional development is not to exceed \$1,000 per conference/workshop/professional membership B. Maximum funding amount not to exceed \$3,000 per Study Abroad program. C. Undergraduate student disbursement is based on grade status and earned credits toward degree (Please refer to chart below for program eligibility). Priority will be given to undergraduate students for study abroad. (p. 16)
<p>N/A</p>	<p>Proctor Statement: The Higher Education Division may be able to provide proctoring services for required tests/exams with advanced notice at no cost. The Higher Education Division will not pay for proctor fees. All requests for proctoring services will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. (p. 16)</p>
<p>N/A</p>	<p>Tools in PSSL: Additional information will be required for approval for each allowable expense: receipts, budget breakdown, lease agreements, and default plan.</p>

	<p>The Postsecondary Student Loan may be used for the following purposes only:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Tuition, required fees and books, if the applicant is not eligible for other educational aid b. Computer purchase and related equipment c. Educational equipment (e.g. uniforms, tools, etc.) d. Relocation costs not to exceed \$1,000 on a one-time basis only e. Defaulted student loans f. Unpaid bill/outstanding balance at prior or current institution g. Professional development or study abroad <p><i>The Higher Education Division will have final determination as to what constitutes education-related expenses.</i> (p. 19)</p>
<p>International Schools: Be accepted/admitted into a Title IV program that is at least one (1) academic year in length at a nonprofit institution within the United States.</p>	<p>International Schools: Institutions must be non-profit and accredited by a regional accreditation agency/organization by the U.S. Department of Education in order for students to receive funding and be eligible to receive federal student aid funds (Title IV). International schools may be considered provided they meet the criteria listed above. (p. 4)</p>
<p>N/A</p>	<p>Suspension Forgiveness: Students who have been suspended (e.g. transcript suspension, academic suspension, etc.) for ten (10) or more years, may reapply to the scholarship program and will be considered for reentry on a probationary status. (p. 9)</p>
<p>N/A</p>	<p>Progressive Degree Definition: “Progressive degree” refers to a student’s personal academic progress. Example: a student who has earned a Bachelor’s degree, will not be considered for funding toward a second bachelor’s degree, associate degree, or technical diploma. See chart below:</p>  <p>(p. 3)</p>
<p>N/A</p>	<p>Statements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Disability Services 2. Advising/Student Success Services

