## WESTERN NEBRASKA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# Western Community College Area Board of Governors' Policy

**TITLE:** Federal Title IV Funds Policy

**DIVISION:** Student Services

**CATEGORY:** Financial Aid

**REFERENCE:** Federal Student Aid Handbook; Volume 2 –

Institutional Eligibility and Participation; Volume 4 – Processing Aid and Managing FSA Funds; 34 CFR 99.31, 34 CFR 668.14, 34 CFR 668.41, 34 CFR 668.42, 34 CFR 668.43, 34 CFR 668.44, 34 CFR 668.45, 34 CFR 668.46, & 34 CFR 668.47; 34 CFR 668.164; 34 CFR 668.165; Public Law 101-226, Public Law 107-56 and Higher Education Opportunity Act, Public Law 110-

315, (HEOA) 2008

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**APPROVAL/DATE:** F. Lynne Klemke, President, WCCA Board of Governors

Date: February 20, 2019

# **Purpose**

To establish policies relating to federal financial aid to Western Nebraska Community College (WNCC) students for the purpose of education, distribution of those funds and monitoring of the use of said funds.

# Scope

This policy shall apply to all students who receive Title IV funding.

# **Policy**

The College, as per federal regulations shall:

- Have an established Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) policy and procedure that students are required to adhere to, even those not receiving Title IV funds;
- Adhere to the state complaint process, provide acceptable resolution to complaints and maintain a student complaint log;
- Maintain the Eligibility and Certification Approval Report (ECAR) to include all certificates/degrees eligible for Title IV funding;
- Have a Return of Title IV procedure;
- Adhere to all federal rules and regulations published annually by the U.S. Department of Education.

WNCC students may use Title IV funds for the following allowable charges:

- Tuition
- Mandatory fees
- Room and board, if contracted with the College
- Books and supplies
- Other educationally-related charges, as authorized in writing by student or parent, as applicable

Federal Title IV funds received by WNCC to distribute to its eligible students shall include:

- Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loan
- Direct PLUS Loan
- Pell Grant
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant
- Federal Work Study

In order to be eligible to receive Title IV funds, WNCC students must:

- Have met the admissions and eligibility requirements;
- Be enrolled in a Title IV eligible program of study;
- Be enrolled in the required number of credits for the Title IV program and in credits that are a part of that eligible program of study;
- Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP); and
- Meet citizenship status requirements.

#### **Definitions**

*Title IV:* A term that refers to federal financial aid funds. Federal regulations state that any federal funds disbursed to a student's account in excess of allowable charges must be delivered to the student (or parent in case of an undergraduate PLUS loan).

## **Revising this Policy**

This Board Policy supersedes any prior WNCC policy, procedure, guideline or handbook on this subject matter.

If statutory provisions, regulatory guidance, or court interpretations change or conflict with this Board Policy, the Board retains the right to revise accordingly and for the changes to take effect immediately.

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Divisions/Department Responsible for Review and Update: Student Services

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**Procedure(s) for Policy:** 

**Related Policies/References:**