

Drug Conviction Policy

In adherence with HEA Section 485(k), a student who is convicted of a federal or state drug offense may have their eligibility for federal student aid (loans, grants, employment) suspended if convicted for an offense that occurred during a period when the student was receiving Title IV assistance.

Suspension of Title IV aid begins on the date of conviction and lasts until the end of the specified period. Suspension may range from one year to indefinitely depending upon the type and number of convictions.

Eligibility for Title IV aid may be regained if a conviction is overturned or upon completion of a drug rehabilitation program that complies with specific criteria set forth in HEA 484 (r). It is the student's responsibility to prove successful completion of a rehabilitation program.

A student whose eligibility has been suspended will be notified in writing following the determination of suspension.

Additional information may be found in the CFR Sec. 668.40