

BOARD OF TRUSTEES of WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

REGULATIONS

Approved: November 16, 2001

Section: IV. Students

Subsection: A. Admissions Policies

IV. Students

A. Admissions Policies

The University shall develop policies for the admission of undergraduate and graduate students. The policies shall become effective when approved by the President and shall be:

1. Consistent with the Board's commitment to equal opportunity for qualified students to attend Western Illinois University.
2. Consistent with admission standards approved by the Board of Higher Education.
3. Published in appropriate university catalogs.

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Subsection: B. Student Financial Aid

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B. Student Financial Aid (Approved June 3, 2011)

1. Definition

Student financial aid includes tuition waivers, scholarships, grants, loans, and employment opportunities which are provided for students to assist them in meeting the costs of university attendance whether from university, state, federal, or private resources.

2. Financial Aid Policies

The University shall develop policies and procedures for the administration of its financial aid program. The policies and procedures shall become effective when approved by the President.

Financial aid policies shall be consistent with the Board's commitment to provide an equal opportunity to qualified Illinois residents. The policies shall include the following provisions and such other provisions as are necessary and appropriate:

- a. Policies and procedures concerning the award of tuition waivers. The policies and procedures shall describe all tuition waivers issued by the University and the criteria for their award. The policies and procedures shall comply with Board of Higher Education tuition waiver policies and the other applicable laws, policies, rules, or requirements.

In compliance with 110 Illinois Compiled Statutes 605/8h, the University's policies and procedures for the award of tuition waivers shall provide that each eligible child of any Western Illinois University

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Subsection: C. Residency Status

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C. Residency Status (Approved October 2, 2015)

1. Definitions

For purposes of this regulation, the following definitions pertain:

- a. An "adult student" is a student who is eighteen or more years of age.
- b. A "minor student" is a student who is less than eighteen years of age.
- c. An "emancipated minor student" is a completely self-supporting student who is less than eighteen years of age. Marriage or active military service shall be regarded as effecting the emancipation of minors, for the purposes of this regulation.
- d. "Residence" means legal domicile. Voter registration, filing of tax returns, proper license and registration for driving or ownership of a vehicle, and other such transactions may verify intent of residence in a state. Neither length of university attendance nor continued presence in the university community during vacation periods shall be construed to be proof of Illinois residence. Except as otherwise provided in this regulation, no student, parent or legal or natural guardian will be considered a resident unless the student, parent or guardian maintains a bona fide and permanent residence in Illinois, except when temporarily absent from Illinois, with no intention of changing his or her legal residence to some other state or country.

2. Residency Determination

The University shall determine the residency status of each student enrolled in the University for the purpose of determining whether the student is assessed in-state or out-of-state tuition. Each applicant for admission shall submit at the time of application evidence for determination of residency in accordance with this regulation. The office responsible for admissions shall make a determination of residency status.

- a. If a non-resident is classified by error as a resident, a change in tuition charges shall be applicable beginning with the term following reclassification. If the erroneous resident classification is caused by false information submitted by the student, a change in tuition charges shall be applicable for each term in which tuition charges were based on such false information. In addition, the student who has submitted false information may be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.
- b. If a resident is classified by error as a non-resident, a change in tuition charges shall be applicable during the term in which the reclassification occurs, provided that the student has proven residency in accordance with this regulation.

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3. Residency Requirements

a. Adult Students

To be considered a resident, an adult student must be a bona fide resident of Illinois as defined in IV.C.1.d. In

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5. Special Situations

The President may, in special situations, grant residency status to categories of persons otherwise classified as non-residents under this regulation.

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Subsection: D. Student Conduct

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D. Student Conduct

The University shall develop policies concerning student rights and conduct. The policies and any changes shall become effective when approved by the President.

The policies shall include the following provisions and such other provisions as are necessary and appropriate:

1. Recognition of basic student rights.
2. Clarification of the distinction between university conduct standards and those established by civil and criminal statutes.
3. Specific prohibited conduct, with sanctions which may be imposed for such conduct.
4. Procedures for presenting complaints of prohibited conduct and a due process for determining whether violations have occurred.
5. Grievance procedures.

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Subsection: E. Student Activities and Organization

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E. Student Activities and Organization

The University shall develop policies concerning student activities and organizations. The policies and any changes shall become effective when approved by the President.

The policies shall include the following provisions and such other provisions as are necessary and appropriate:

1. Procedures for recognition of approved university activities and organizations.
2. Procedures for the approval of allocations and expenditures of student activity funds.

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G. Student Legal Services

The University may develop policies concerning the provision of student legal services. The policies and any changes shall become effective when approved by the President.

The policies shall include the following provisions and such other provisions as are necessary and appropriate:

1. That the attorney may be an independent contractor or an employee of the University.
2. That the attorney acts on behalf of students and not as an attorney or agent for the Board or the University.
3. Functions of the attorney, types and limitations of legal service which may be provided.
4. Establishment of an Advisory Board.

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