Texas Transfer Grant Program 2023-24 (FY 2024) FACT SHEET



This fact sheet highlights requirements that appear in the Texas Education Code (TEC) and Title 19 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC). This document should be used solely as a resource and does not override the relevant statutes and rules for this program.

Purpose (TAC, Title 19, Section 22.200)

To provide need-based grants to enable eligible students to transfer from two-year to four-year institutions of higher education in Texas.

Eligible Institutions (TAC, Title 19, Section 22.202)

Texas public universities and Health Related Institutions (HRIs) are eligible to participate in this program.

Institutions are invited annually to participate in the allocation process for this optional program.

Priorities in Grants to Students (TAC, Title 19, Section 22.207)

If allocated funds are insufficient to award all eligible students, below is the priority for awarding funds:

 Precedence goes to Renewal Year (RY) students over Initial Year students.

Once all eligible RY students have been awarded, precedence goes to eligible initial year applicants who:

- have an expected family contribution (EFC) that does not exceed \$6,464, *and*
- have also demonstrated the highest levels of academic achievement prior to transfer as determined by the participating institution.

Grant Amount (TAC, Title 19, Section 22.208)

• The maximum semester grant amount will be consistent with the maximum semester grant amount for the Toward EXcellence, Access, and Success (TEXAS) Grant. The maximum semester grant amount for 2023-24 (FY 2024), is \$5,387.

NOTE: A student may NOT receive a Transfer Grant while simultaneously receiving a TEXAS Grant.

 The amount of a Transfer Grant may not be reduced by any gift aid unless the total amount of a grant plus any aid (other than loans) equals or exceeds the student's financial need.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (TAC, Title 19, Section 22.203)

To qualify for a Transfer Grant, a student must:

- ✓ be classified as a Texas resident;
- ✓ be registered with Selective Service, or be exempt;
- ✓ have applied for any available financial aid assistance and show financial need in the semester(s) the grant is offered;
- ✓ be enrolled in a baccalaureate degree program at an eligible institution;
- ✓ be enrolled on a full-time basis unless granted a hardship waiver;
 and
- have earned an associate degree by a public junior college, public technical or public state college, as defined in <u>TEC</u>, <u>Title 3</u>, <u>Section</u> <u>61.003</u>. The credit hours earned toward completion of the associate degree <u>must</u>:
 - include completion of the core curriculum or an abbreviated core curriculum related to a specific approved field of study curriculum transferable to one or more general academic teaching institutions;
 - have been completed with at least a 2.5 grade point average; and
 - have been completed *prior to* enrolling in a baccalaureate degree program at the institution offering a grant through this program.

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) (TAC, Title 19, Section 22, 204)

Transfer Grant recipients must meet SAP requirements used by the institution's financial aid office to qualify for a continuation grant.

Discontinuation of Eligibility or Non-Eligibility (TAC, Title 19, Section 22.205)

Unless an extension of eligibility (due to a hardship circumstance) is granted, a student's eligibility ends if any of the following maximums are met or the student earns a baccalaureate degree, *whichever comes first*.

PROGRAM MAXIMUMS			
# Years of Degree Program	Time Frame	Attempted Hours*	Hours While Receiving Grant Funds
4 years or less	2 years from the start of the semester enrolled in the baccalaureate program	135 SCHs or equivalent	150 SCHs No Hardship Allowed
More than 4 years	3 years from the start of the semester enrolled in the baccalaureate program	135 SCHs or equivalent	150 SCHs No Hardship Allowed

*Attempted Hours are defined as every course in every semester for which a student has been registered as of the official Census Date, including but not limited to, repeated courses and courses the student drops and from which the student withdraws. For transfer students, transfer hours and hours for optional internship and cooperative education courses are included if they are accepted by the receiving institution towards the student's current program of study.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions, please call 844-792-2640 or submit a Help Desk ticket through the Grant and Aid Processing Platform.

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