duration. A student beginning or ending a full-time course of study or training in part of any month will be considered to be pursuing such course for the entire month.

(3) A child is deemed not to have ceased to be a student:

(i) During any interim between school years, if the interim does not exceed 4 months and he shows to the satisfaction of the Administration that he has a bona fide intention of continuing to pursue a full-time course of study or training during the semester or other enrollment period immediately after the interim; or

(ii) During periods of reasonable duration during which, in the judgment of the Administration, he is prevented by factors beyond his control from pursuing his education.

(4) A student who completes 4 years of education beyond the high school level, or whose 23rd birthday occurs during a semester or other enrollment period in which he is pursuing a full-time course of study or training shall continue to be considered a student for as long as he otherwise qualifies under this section until the end of such period.


§ 410.380 Determination of dependency; parent, brother, or sister.

An individual who is the miner’s parent, brother, or sister (see §410.340) will be determined to have been dependent on the miner if, during the 1-year period immediately prior to such miner’s death:

(a) Such individual and the miner were living in the same household (see §410.393); and

(b) Such individual was totally dependent on the miner for support (see §410.395(h)).

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§ 410.390 Time of determinations.

(a) Relationship and dependency of wife or child. With respect to the wife or child of a miner entitled to benefits, and with respect to the child of a widow entitled to benefits, the determination as to whether an individual purporting to be a wife or child is related to or dependent upon such miner or widow shall be based on the facts and circumstances with respect to the period of time as to which such issue of relationship or dependency is material. (See, for example, §410.510(c).)

(b) Relationship and dependency of widow. The determination as to whether an individual purporting to be the widow of a miner was related to or dependent upon such miner is made after such individual effectively files a claim for benefits (see §410.227) as a widow. Such determination is based on the facts and circumstances with respect to the time of the miner’s death (except as provided in §410.320(d)). A prior determination that such individual was determined to be, or not to be, the wife of such miner, pursuant to §§410.310 and 410.350, for purposes of augmenting the miner’s benefits for a certain period (see §410.510(c)), is not determinative of the issue of whether the individual is the widow of such miner or of whether she was dependent on such miner.

(c) Relationship and dependency of surviving divorced wife. The determination as to whether an individual purporting to be a surviving divorced wife of a miner was related to or dependent upon such miner is made when such individual effectively files a claim for benefits (see §410.227) as a surviving divorced wife. Such determination is made with respect to the time of the miner’s death. A prior determination that such individual was, or was not, the divorced wife of such miner, pursuant to §§410.311 and 410.351, for purposes of augmenting the miner’s benefits for a certain period (see §410.510(c)), is not determinative of the issue of whether the individual is the surviving divorced wife of such miner or of whether she was dependent on such miner.

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§ 410.391 Legal impediment.

For purposes of this subpart C, legal impediment means an impediment resulting from the lack of dissolution of a previous marriage or otherwise arising out of such previous marriage or its dissolution, or resulting from a defect in the procedure followed in connection with the purported marriage ceremony—for example, the solemnization of a marriage only through a religious