Subpart C—Work-Colleges Program

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§ 675.41 Special definitions.

The following definitions apply to this subpart:

(a) Work-college: An eligible institution that—
   (1) Is a public or private nonprofit, four-year, degree-granting institution with a commitment to community service;
   (2) Has operated a comprehensive work-learning-service program for at least two years;
   (3) Requires resident students, including at least one-half of all students who are enrolled on a full-time basis, to participate in a comprehensive work-learning-service program for at least five hours each week, or at least 80 hours during each period of enrollment, except summer school, unless the student is engaged in an institutionally organized or approved study abroad or externship program; and
   (4) Provides students participating in the comprehensive work-learning-service program with the opportunity to contribute to their education and to the welfare of the community as a whole.

(b) Comprehensive student work-learning-service program: A student work-learning-service program that—
   (1) Is an integral and stated part of the institution’s educational philosophy and program;
   (2) Requires participation of all resident students for enrollment and graduation;
   (3) Includes learning objectives, evaluation, and a record of work performance as part of the student’s college record;
   (4) Provides programmatic leadership by college personnel at levels comparable to traditional academic programs;
   (5) Recognizes the educational role of work-learning-service supervisors; and
   (6) Includes consequences for non-performance or failure in the work-learning-service program similar to the consequences for failure in the regular academic program.

§ 675.42 Allocation and reallocation.

The Secretary allocates and reallocates funds based on each institution’s approved request for Federal funds for the Work-Colleges program as a percent of the total of such approved requests for all applicant institutions.

§ 675.43 Purpose.

The purpose of the Work-Colleges program is to recognize, encourage, and promote the use of comprehensive work-learning-service programs as a valuable educational approach when it is an integral part of the institution’s educational program and a part of a financial plan that decreases reliance on grants and loans and to encourage students to participate in community service activities.

§ 675.44 Program description.

(a) An institution that satisfies the definition of “work-college” in §675.41(a) and wishes to participate in the Work-Colleges program must apply to the Secretary at the time and in the manner prescribed by the Secretary.

(b) An institution may expend funds separately, or in combination with other eligible institutions, to provide work-learning-service opportunities for currently enrolled students.

(c) For any given award year, Federal funds allocated and reallocated for that award year under sections 442 and 462 of the HEA may be transferred for the purpose of carrying out the Work-Colleges program to provide flexibility in strengthening the self-help-through-work element in financial aid packaging.