Two Federal Pell Grants in an Award Year
Connecticut Community Colleges’ 2009-2010 Award Year System Policy

PREFACE

In August 2008, President Bush signed the Higher Education and Opportunity Act (HEOA) into law, reauthorizing the Higher Education Act of 1965. Among its many items is a notable change relative to the manner with which Federal Pell Grants are calculated. Specifically, students may potentially receive in excess of 100%, but not more than 200%, of their scheduled Federal Pell Grant for a given award year. The statutory changes to the Federal Pell Grant program are effective as of July 1, 2009. This policy addresses the issues relative to the awarding of Federal Pell Grants to students for the Summer 2010 semester.

POLICY

The Connecticut Community Colleges’ Summer 2010 semester, which is considered a “cross-over payment period”, is designated as part of the 2009-2010 award year. In accordance with the statutory requirements of the HEOA, any student attending a Connecticut Community College during the Summer 2010 semester will be awarded and disbursed in excess of 100% of his/her 2009-2010 scheduled Federal Pell Grant award, provided he/she meets the following criteria:

- The student is eligible for a Federal Pell Grant for the 2009-2010 award year
- The student meets the Connecticut Community College standard for Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)
- The student enrolls for a minimum of six (6) credit hours during the Summer 2010 semester

Adopted April 19, 2010 by the Connecticut Community College Board of Trustees