



BANNER FINANCIAL AID USER'S UPDATE

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COD Updates

COD Processing

RWPCODE and RWPCODI are now available to you for the **2007-2008** aid year. Modifications have been made to both of these processes to allow you to extract and import COD records.

RWPCODE will produce the following files from Banner for your submission to COD:

CRPG08IN Pell Program Common Record
Crag08IN ACG Program Common Record
CRAA08IN Multi-Program Common Record

New Message Classes for Academic Competitiveness Grants

Negative Disbursement records for Academic Competitiveness Grants (AC Grants) are now being transmitted to schools by COD. These records are sent in the system-generated files **CRNDxxOP** and should be imported into Banner via RWPCODI for both 2006-07 and 2007-08. When a negative disbursement record is brought into Banner, RWPCODI automatically locks the new **Lock ACG Disbursement** indicator on ROAPELL to prevent re-disbursing of AC Grant funds to the students.

In addition, COD is also sending Academic Competitiveness Grant (AC Grant) data in the same flat file format previously used solely for Pell Grant data. The message classes listed below can now be imported and viewed in Banner via RWPCODI.

AGRCxxOP ACG Reconciliation File
AGYRxxOP ACG Year-To-Date Record
AGASxxOP ACG Electronic Statement of Account
AGMRxxOP ACG Multiple Reporting Record

Academic Competitiveness Grant Processing

Final regulations from the Department of Education indicate that a student can receive AC Grant funds as long as he/she is receiving a Pell Grant during the aid year (rather than during the same payment period). Therefore, it is possible that a student could have received all of their Pell eligibility at another institution but still have remaining AC Grant eligibility at your school. Or, a Return of Title IV calculation could result in the entire Pell Grant being returned while still leaving remaining eligibility for AGC funds. Banner now allows you to override the validation requiring that a student have a Pell award for the aid year prior to awarding the AC Grant fund. When this override indicator is set for AC Grant, it will also be used by other Banner processes to allow the fund to originate and extract to COD. Once approved by COD, the fund will also be allowed to disburse. This new override indicator – **No Pell** - has been added to the **Override** tab on the Award Maintenance screen of RPAAWRD and also on the **Override** section of RPAAPMT.

Grant COD Miscellaneous Report (RERGRNT)

RERGRNT – Grant COD Miscellaneous Report is the new report that replaces the Pell Miscellaneous Report (RERPELL) which is now obsolete. The RERGRNT report supports both Pell Grant and AC Grant funds. By choosing various parameters available, you can find students with problems or exceptions. For more details about RERGRNT, please see the Processes & Report section of our website.

FORM CHANGES

ROARMAN - Financial Aid Award Maintenance

Automatic Packaging has been removed from the drop down “Options” menu. Auto packaging can be performed from the Maintain Awards screen (RPAAWRD) or from ROAIMMP.

The Override dropdown list, Detail Override Exists checkbox and the Display Overrides window have been removed from ROARMAN. Override options are now available from Maintain Awards (RPAAWRD) and RPAAPMT. Overrides are explained below under the RPAAWRD and RPAAPMT sections.

Also, you will notice that the Group Assignment icon has been changed to Applicant Immediate Process. This icon still brings you to the ROAIMMP form.

RPAAWRD – Award Maintenance

In this upgrade, several changes have been made to the RPAAWRD form.

When manually entering awards on the Award Maintenance screen, you will no longer see a pop-up window with the message “Performing Award Validation”. Instead, after the award validation job runs you will see “Transaction Complete” or an appropriate error message in the auto-hint bar at the bottom of the screen.

The Award Maintenance window now has three tabs – **Amounts**, **Overrides** and **Locks/Indicators**. The **Amounts tab** displays the award amounts, the **Overrides tab** displays override information and the **Locks/Indicators tab** displays locks, web access and system indicators. With the new Override tab, overrides can now be updated individually for each fund.

A new indicator, **Reschedule**, has been added to the Award Maintenance window. This indicator can be used to reschedule funds to reflect changes you have made to students aid periods. Check this indicator and save the record to reschedule the funds you want to reflect the student’s new term/disbursement schedule. Please note that the rules and percentages defined on RFRDEFA/RFRASCH will be used to reschedule the term amounts as well as the memo expiration date of the new term.

The Fund Awards by Term window of RPAAWRD has also been updated. The **percent fields** have been removed from the form. When determining the amount of an award for each term, the percentages defined on RFRDEFA – Default Award and Disbursement Schedule Rules or RFRASCH – Fund Award and disbursement Schedule Rules will be used.

Also on the Fund Awards by Term window, two new tabs, **Amounts** and **Options** have been added. The Amounts tab displays maintenance of student awards. The Options tab includes dropdowns for Load, Pell Enroll Option and a new dropdown for NSLDS Override.

REIRMRR – Multiple Reporting Record Inquiry

This form can now display Academic Competitiveness Grant Multiple Reporting Records in addition to Pell Multiple Reporting Records. A new field, **Program Type**, has been added to the form. This field allows you to choose AG = ACG, PL = Pell or (none) for both fund types.

ROAPELL – Applicant Pell Grant

A new checkbox “**Lock ACG Disbursement**” has been added to ROAPELL to prevent disbursement of an Academic Competitiveness Grant when a Negative Disbursement record from COD is imported into Banner. This indicator works in the same manner as the “**Lock Pell Disbursement**”.