Unofficial Withdrawal Policy

Federal regulations (34 CFR 668.22 (c)(2)(ii)) requires the College to perform a Return of Title IV (R2T4) calculation for students who enroll at the College, received federal funds, and subsequently and completely withdraws from the College before completing at least 60% of the term. To officially and completely withdraw from the College, the student must follow the official withdrawal policy as published in the class schedule, College Catalog or web publication. To unofficially withdraw is to completely withdraw from the College without following the published withdrawal policy.

Even though students are awarded and have federal funds disbursed to them at the beginning of the term, students are required to “earn” the federal funds disbursed to them by attending classes up to the point of where at least 60% of the term has expired. After the 60% point of the term, a student has “earned” 100% of the federal funds received, and will not owe any funds back to the federal program from which funds were disbursed.

The College is a non-attendance taking institution; however, the College requires that the instructors at the College electronically verify attendance at the end of the census date. The electronic attendance verification report is retrieved by the Admission Office personnel, and all the students shown as No Shows (students who enrolled in courses for which they never started attending), are automatically withdrawn from such courses, and all the federal funds received by the student are voided and returned.

For the official and complete withdrawal from the College, the date the withdrawal process was initiated by the student, either by completing the official withdrawal form, or by sending an e-mail to the Admissions Office, is the date the Business Office will use to perform the R2T4 calculations. That date will also be used in determining if the student has “earned” 100% of the federal funds disbursed to the student. The student will also be assigned a grade of “W” for the withdrawn courses.

Any student who has stopped attending at least 5 consecutive instructional days or 2 consecutive instructional days for a one day a week class prior to the 60% point of the academic term will be deemed to have unofficially withdrawn from such course(s), and the student will be withdrawn from such course(s) by the Admissions Office. For mini term courses, students who stop attending 3 or more consecutive instructional days prior to the 60% point of the academic term will be marked as no longer attending and withdrawn. Exception: Truck driving students who stopped attending 5 or more consecutive instructional days prior to the 60% point will also be marked as no longer attending and withdrawn. The student will be assigned a grade of “W” for the withdrawn course(s). The last date of attendance, (LDA) entered by instructor(s) will be used for performing the R2T4 calculations.

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