Overview of State Financial Aid Programs

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Today’s Agenda

Review of State Financial Aid Programs

1. Access Utah Promise Scholarship Program
2. Career & Technical Education Scholarships
3. Higher Education Success Stipend Program
4. New Century Scholarship
5. Regents’ Scholarship
6. Talent Development Loan Program
7. TH Bell Education Scholarship Program
8. Public Safety Officer Career Advancement Reimbursement Program (PSOCAR)
9. Veterans Tuition Gap Program
Access Utah Promise Scholarship Program (Promise Scholarship)

• New in 2019-20
• Modeled after SLCC Promise & Dream Weber
• Available at public institutions – USHE (including tech colleges)
• Allocation formula
  
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  \text{A participating institution’s Utah resident Pell disbursements} \div \text{All participating institutions’ Utah resident Pell disbursements}
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• Covers tuition and fees after all other aid is considered (last dollar)
  • Beginning July 1, 2020 – flexibility for tuition and fee waivers
Promise Scholarship cont.

• Recipient may receive awards until the earliest of the following:
  • two years after initially receiving a Promise scholarship;
  • four semesters;
  • an associate’s degree is earned; or
  • 60 earned credit hours at an institution that does not offer associate’s degrees (University of Utah & UTECH)

2020-2021 funding: $2,278,900
Career and Technical Education Scholarship

• Available to students who enroll in high-demand, non-credit certificate programs
• Up to tuition, fees, and books
• Priority for underserved populations
• Can be used at Salt Lake Community College, Snow College, USU-Eastern, and USU-Moab
  • Note: these colleges have more students enroll in CTE programs than UTECH
• 2020-21 funding: $300,000
Technical College Scholarship

• Available to students enrolled in technical college programs that lead to high-wage, high-demand jobs
• Up to tuition, program fees, and required books
• Available for 12-month period following graduation
• Apply through technical college

• $800,000 ongoing funding
Higher Education Success Stipend Program (HESSP)

- Need-based grant or work-study awards
- Public and private non-profit institutions
- For Utah resident undergraduates attending at least half-time
- Demonstrated need through FAFSA
- Award size: $300 - $5,000
- Allocation formula – same as Promise
- 2020-2021 funding: $2,088,000
Brief Timeline of New Century and Regents’

1990
NC is created

2008
RS is created

2013
Changes award from % of tuition to flat amount

2017
Legislation Changes RS for the 2019 cohort (FAFSA and award structure)

2019
Legislation changes RS, NC for 2020 cohort (award structure, constraints for using award)

2020
Additional adjustments made to RS eligible schools (private schools are included once again – RS only)
New Century—2021

• Encourages students to accelerate their education by earning an associate degree in high school.

• 3.5 High School GPA

• 3.0 College GPA

• Can be used at USHE baccalaureate degree granting institutions.
# Regents’ Scholarship—2021

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- Encourages students to take a college prep curriculum
- 3.3 High School GPA
- 22 ACT
- Complete the FAFSA
- Enroll at eligible school/defer
- Can be used at USHE (including tech colleges) Institutions and private, non-profit (BYU, Ensign College, Westminster, WGU)
Award Information for Both Programs

• Can be used for tuition and fees after other state aid is applied
• 5 year window to use the award, but must be enrolled at an eligible institution Fall after graduation (or deferred)
• Available for up to 4 semesters
• Must be enrolled in 12+ credits to receive disbursement.
  • Maintain a 3.0 GPA when receiving an award.
• Award will be individualized, but there will be a max
Applicants and Recipients

Regents' Scholarship

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New Century

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Regents' Scholarship College Attendance by Institution
2016-2019 Cohorts

BYU

2016: 1090
2017: 1076
2018: 334
2019: 619

WSU

2016: 133
2017: 184
2018: 75
2019: 172

UVU

2016: 320
2017: 448
2018: 138
2019: 301

USU

2016: 613
2017: 689
2018: 273
2019: 506

UU

2016: 486
2017: 550
2018: 230
2019: 484

SUU

2016: 204
2017: 277
2018: 130
2019: 235

SNOW

2016: 127
2017: 159
2018: 50
2019: 111

SLCC

2016: 78
2017: 34
2018: 68

LDSBC

2016: 1

DSI

2016: 123
2017: 175
2018: 56
2019: 167

2016  2017  2018  2019
New Century College Attendance by Institution
2016-2019 Cohorts

BYU

WSU

UVU

USU

UU

SUU

DSU

WC

BYU

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2016 2017 2018 2019
Talent Development Incentive Loan Program

• Forgivable loan program

• Purpose: recruit and train Utah residents into high demand jobs through a qualifying degree program
  • GOED selects qualifying jobs and associated degree programs every 2 years
  • Eligible programs for 2020-21 & 2021-22*
    - Information Science/Studies
    - Computer Science
    - Computer & Info Sciences
    - Information Technology
    - Computer Systems Networking & Telecommunications
    - Computer & Info Systems Security/Info Assurance
    - Management Information Systems

* Students should verify eligible degree programs with institution
Talent Development Incentive Loan Program cont.

• Available at degree granting USHE institutions
• Up to the cost of resident tuition, books, and fees
• Awards available up to the expected time to complete the qualifying degree
• Students must first attend one semester in an associate’s program and two semesters in a bachelor’s program
Talent Development Incentive Loan Program cont.

- Loan forgiveness program:
  - 1 year work = 1 year loan forgiveness
  - Turns to a loan if graduation/work requirements not met
  - Administered at institutional level

2020-2021 available funds: $1,418,200
Terrel H. Bell Education Scholarship Program (T.H. Bell Scholarship)

• Formerly T.H. Bell Incentive Loan Program
• Changed to a scholarship program July 1, 2019
• Available to those intent on entering the teaching profession at a public school in Utah
• Applications processed by the education department and/or financial aid offices at each institution
T.H. Bell Scholarship cont.

- Tuition, fees, and books up to four years FTE enrollment
- Utah residents at public or private institutions with a state-approved teacher education program
- Priority for awarding
  1. First-generation students
  2. Those intending to work in high-need fields
  3. All other applicants

2020-2021 funding: $2,281,800
Public Safety Officer Career Advancement Reimbursement Program (PSOCAR)

- Reimbursement program for certified peace officers who return to school
- Program eliminated in 2019 as part of legislation for Promise Scholarship
  - Re-instated with the 2020 6th Session of the Utah Legislature
  - Effective immediately.
  - $146,000 one-time funding for 2020, $200,000 ongoing
PSOCAR cont.

• Requires four years of work, including one year after the completion of the coursework being reimbursed.

• Up to half of tuition and fees, $5,000 maximum per year
  • Appropriation designation for service in rural counties
  • If available funds insufficient for full award, reduced on pro rata basis.
    • May apply for remainder for up to two additional years

• Up to eight academic years, no enrollment requirements

• Visit [https://ushe.edu/psocar](https://ushe.edu/psocar) for more information.
Veterans Tuition Gap Program (VeT Gap)

• Grant program to assist veterans with completion of a bachelor’s degree
• Up to tuition, fees, and books
• Public and private non-profit institutions
• Recipient must:
  • Be a resident of the State of Utah
  • Be a veteran as defined by Utah Code 68-3-12.5
  • Be in the final year of first baccalaureate program
  • Have exhausted the federal benefit
• Less than half-time enrollment eligible
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