

Crediting PA State Grant Awards During Modular Enrollment

This document provides financial aid administrators with relevant examples of situations for determining when a student’s modular enrollment may impact the PA State Grant award. This document should be used in conjunction with the most recent PA State Grant Program Handbook and does not supersede any current program policy.

Note: Examples illustrate weeks that begin on Mondays and end on Sundays, as the first day of classes for each of the example terms is Monday.

Academic Year – Overlapping Modules

The following table and dates are for reviewing Examples 1-3. Each of these examples pertains to the academic year and it is assumed that the school operates on a semester schedule.

| Term & Module Examples | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Term A (Semester) – 15 Weeks | | | | | | | |
| Module B – 7 ½ Weeks | | | | Module C – 7 ½ Weeks | | | |
| Module D – 5 Weeks | | | Module E – 5 Weeks | | | Module F – 5 Weeks | |
| Module G – 3 Weeks | | Module H – 3 Weeks | | Module I – 3 Weeks | | Module J – 3 Weeks | Module K – 3 Weeks |
| Module L – 2 Weeks | Module M – 2 Weeks | Module N – 2 Weeks | Module O – 2 Weeks | Module P – 2 Weeks | Module Q – 2 Weeks | Module R – 2 Weeks | Module S – 1 Week |

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Example 1

| Variables | Term A (Fall) | Module I (Fall) |
|----------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Number of Weeks | 15 | 3 |
| Date of Registration | 7-1-2020 | 10-1-2020 |
| Start Date | 8-31-2020 | 10-12-2020 |
| Number of Credits | 9 | 3 |
| Date of Crediting | 9-3-2020 | 10-12-2020 |

Summary:

On September 3, 2020, when the school reviewed students’ eligibility and credited awards, this student was registered for a total of 9 credits and the student was paid a half-time PA State Grant award. On October 1, 2020, the student registered for, and subsequently enrolled in, a 3-week long module for 3 credits. On October 12, 2020, after that module began, the student’s total enrollment increased to 12 credits and the student’s PA State Grant award was increased to full-time.

Example 2

| Variables | Term A (Fall) | Module I (Fall) |
|----------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Number of Weeks | 15 | 3 |
| Date of Registration | 7-1-2020 | 7-1-2020 |
| Start Date | 8-31-2020 | 10-12-2020 |
| Number of Credits | 9 | 3 |
| Date of Crediting | 10-12-2020 | 10-12-2020 |

Summary:

On September 3, 2020, when the school reviewed students' eligibility and credited awards, this student was registered for a total of 12 credits. However, enrollment for 3 of those credits was not scheduled to begin until Module I on October 12, 2020. Due to this, the student was not eligible to receive any funds until the start of Module I. On October 12, 2020, a full-time award was credited to the student's account.

Example 3

| Variables | Term A (Fall) | Module I (Fall) |
|----------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Number of Weeks | 15 | 3 |
| Date of Registration | 7-1-2020 | 7-1-2020 |
| Start Date | 8-31-2020 | 10-12-2020 |
| Number of Credits | 12 | 3 |
| Date of Crediting | 10-12-2020 | 10-12-2020 |

Summary:

On September 3, 2020, when the school reviewed students' eligibility and credited awards, this student was registered for a total of 15 credits. However, enrollment for 3 of those credits was not scheduled to begin until Module I on October 12, 2020. Due to this, the student was not eligible to receive any funds until eligibility and enrollment were verified at the start of Module I.

Academic Year – Combining Modules to Meet the Term Length

The following table and dates are for reviewing Example 4. The example pertains to the academic year and it is assumed that the school operates on a semester schedule.

| TERM & MODULE EXAMPLES | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Term A (Semester) – 15 Weeks | | | | | | | |
| Module B – 7 ½ Weeks | | | | Module C – 7 ½ Weeks | | | |
| Module D – 5 Weeks | | | Module E – 5 Weeks | | | Module F – 5 Weeks | |
| Module G – 3 Weeks | | Module H – 3 Weeks | | Module I – 3 Weeks | | Module J – 3 Weeks | Module K – 3 Weeks |
| Module L – 2 Weeks | Module M – 2 Weeks | Module N – 2 Weeks | Module O – 2 Weeks | Module P – 2 Weeks | Module Q – 2 Weeks | Module R – 2 Weeks | Module S – 1 Week |

| August/September 2020 | | | | | | |
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Example 4

| Variables | Module D (Fall) | Module E (Fall) | Module F (Fall) |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Number of Weeks | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Date of Registration | 7-1-2020 | 7-1-2020 | 7-1-2020 |
| Start Date | 8-31-2020 | 10-5-2020 | 11-9-2020 |
| Number of Credits | 9 | 3 | 3 |
| Date of Crediting | 11-9-2020 | 11-9-2020 | 11-9-2020 |

Summary:

On July 1, 2020, a student registered for three consecutive five week modules for a total of 15 credits. On August 31, 2020, the student was confirmed as enrolled in 9 credits; however, Module D alone was not long enough to meet the minimum semester term length requirement. On October 5, 2020, the student was confirmed as enrolled in 3 additional credits from Module E, for a total of 12 credits. However, Modules D & E combined do not meet the minimum semester term length requirement. On November 9, 2020, the student was confirmed as enrolled in Module F for an additional 3 credits and the student was certified and paid for a full-time PA State Grant award.

Academic Year – Intersession Examples

The following dates are for reviewing Example 5 and 6. The example pertains to the academic year and it is assumed that the school operates on a 16-week semester schedule and offers a 3-week intersession in January prior to the start of the Spring semester.

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Example 5

| Variables | Term A (Fall) | Winter Intersession |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Number of Weeks | 15 | 3 |
| Date of Registration | 7-1-2020 | 10-1-2020 |
| Start Date | 8-31-2020 | 1-4-2021 |
| Number of Credits | 9 | 3 |
| Date of Crediting | 9-3-2020 | 1-4-2021 |

Note: If the date of registration for the winter intersession had been July 1, 2020, the school would still only have been permitted to credit a part-time award on September 3, 2020. The school could then increase to a full-time award on January 4, 2020.

Example 6

| Variables | Winter Intersession | Spring Term |
|----------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Number of Weeks | 3 | 15 |
| Date of Registration | 10-1-2020 | 10-1-2020 |
| Start Date | 1-4-2021 | 1-25-2021 |
| Number of Credits | 6 | 6 |
| Date of Crediting | 1-25-2021 | 1-25-2021 |

Summary:

On September 3, 2020, when the school reviewed students' eligibility and credited awards, this student was registered for a total of 9 credits and the student was paid a half-time PA State Grant award. On October 1, 2020 the student registered for a winter intersession that began on January 4, 2021. On January 4, 2021, after the intersession began and enrollment was confirmed, the school opted to use the intersession to increase the student's total Fall term enrollment to 12 credits which increased the student's PA State Grant award to full-time.

Summary:

On January 4, 2020, when the school reviewed winter intersession for students' eligibility, this student was registered for a total of 6 credits for the 3 week session. Since this period does not meet the minimum term length requirements, the student may not receive a half-time award for the intersession itself. On January 25, 2020 the student was confirmed as enrolled in the Spring term for 6 credits. Since the student may only use up to 5 credits from the intersession, the Spring PA State Grant award would remain based on half-time enrollment. In this scenario, the intersession credits would not help the student achieve a full-time status.

Summer – Combining Non-Consecutive Modules

(Schools other than Business, Trade or Technical)

The following dates are for reviewing Example 7, a summer term. This example assumes that the school operates on a semester schedule and is not operating on a year-round curriculum.

| May/June 2021 | | | | | | |
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Example 7

| Variables | Summer Session 1 | Summer Session 3 |
|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of Weeks | 3 | 3 |
| Date of Registration | 5-17-2021 | 5-17-2021 |
| Start Date | 6-7-2021 | 7-19-2021 |
| Number of Credits | 6 | 3 |
| Date of Crediting | 7-19-2021 | 7-19-2021 |

Summary:

On June 7, 2021, the student was enrolled in 6 credits; however, Summer Session 1 alone was not long enough to meet the minimum Summer term length requirement. On July 19, 2021, the student was confirmed as enrolled in 3 additional credits for a total of 9 credits at that time. Summer Sessions 1 and 3 were combined and a half-time award was credited on July 19, 2021.

Summer – 5-week Module Examples

(Schools other than Business, Trade or Technical)

The following dates are for reviewing Examples 8-10. This example assumes that the school operates on a semester schedule and is not operating on a year-round curriculum.

| May/June 2021 | | | | | | |
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| August 2021 | | | | | | |
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| July 2021 | | | | | | |
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Example 8

| Variables | Summer Session 1 | Summer Session 2 |
|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of Weeks | 5 | 5 |
| Date of Registration | 5-17-2021 | 5-17-2021 |
| Start Date | 6-7-2021 | 7-12-2021 |
| Number of Credits | 3 | 3 |
| Date of Crediting | 7-12-2021 | 7-12-2021 |

Summary:

On June 7, 2021, when the school reviewed students' eligibility and credited awards, this student was registered for a total of 6 credits. However, enrollment for 3 of those credits was not scheduled to begin until Summer Session 2 on July 12, 2021. Due to this, the student was not eligible to receive any funds until the start of Summer Session 2. After the start of Summer Session 2, the student became eligible for a half-time award.

Example 9

| Variables | Summer Session 1 | Summer Session 2 |
|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of Weeks | 5 | 5 |
| Date of Registration | 5-17-2021 | 5-17-2021 |
| Start Date | 6-7-2021 | 7-12-2021 |
| Number of Credits | 6 | 3 |
| Date of Crediting | 7-12-2021 | 7-12-2021 |

Summary:

On June 7, 2021, when the school reviewed students' eligibility and credited awards, this student was registered for a total of 9 credits. However, enrollment for 3 of those credits was not scheduled to begin until Summer Session 2 on July 12, 2021. Due to this, the student was not eligible to receive any funds until the start of Summer Session 2. After the start of Summer Session 2, the student became eligible for a half-time award.

Example 10

| Variables | Summer Session 1 | Summer Session 2 |
|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of Weeks | 5 | 5 |
| Date of Registration | 5-17-2021 | 6-28-2021 |
| Start Date | 6-7-2021 | 7-12-2021 |
| Number of Credits | 6 | 6 |
| Date of Crediting | 6-7-2021 | 7-12-2021 |

Summary:

On June 7, 2021, when the school reviewed students' eligibility and credited awards, this student was registered for a total of 6 credits and the student was paid a half-time PA State Grant award. On July 12, 2021, the student registered for, and subsequently enrolled, in a Summer Session 2 module for 6 credits. On July 12, 2021, once that Summer Session began, the student's total enrollment increased to 12 credits and the student's PA State Grant award was increased to full-time.