

**WAC 250-40-030 Definitions.** (1) "Financial need" shall be the difference between the budgetary cost to the student attending an institution of postsecondary education and the total family contribution which the institutional financial aid administrator determines can reasonably be expected to be available to the student for meeting such costs.

(2) "Budgetary cost" of attending an institution shall consist of those costs required to support the individual and other costs in accordance with federal costs of attendance calculations during the period of enrollment. Budgets will reflect the applicable year's cost levels for tuition, room and board, transportation, books, supplies, personal expenses, and any other cost factors deemed necessary for consideration, consistent with WAC 250-40-040 (2)(a).

(3) "Total family contribution and resources" shall be consistent with amounts recognized by federal need analysis criteria, unless otherwise modified in accordance with these rules and program guidelines.

(4) "Washington resident" shall be defined as an individual who satisfies the requirements of RCW 28B.15.011 - 28B.15.013 except resident students defined in RCW 28B.15.012 (2)(e) and board-adopted rules and regulations pertaining to the determination of residency.

(5) "Eligible institution of postsecondary education" shall mean any postsecondary educational institution in the state of Washington accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges; or a branch campus of a member institution accredited by Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges, or Western Association of Schools and Colleges that is eligible for federal student financial aid assistance and has operated as a nonprofit college or university delivering on-site classroom instruction for a minimum of twenty consecutive years in the state of Washington; or any public technical colleges in the state of Washington.

(6) "Eligible employer" shall be defined as any eligible institution of postsecondary education; any nonprofit organization; or any private sector employer producing a good or providing a service for sale or resale to others, which can and agrees to provide employment of a demonstrable benefit related to the student's postsecondary educational pursuits and which conducts business within the state of Washington; or any other employer approved by the office. In approving an employer as eligible, the office or an institution acting as its agent will consider at the minimum:

(a) The relationship of the jobs to the students' educational objectives;

(b) The potential for displacement of regular employees;

(c) The rate of pay as compared to salaries and wages provided other employees engaged in similar work; and

(d) The employer's compliance with applicable federal and state civil rights laws.

(7) "Dependent student" shall mean any post-high school student attending an eligible institution of postsecondary education who does not qualify as an independent student in accordance with subsection (8) of this section.

(8) "Independent student" shall mean any student who qualifies as an independent student for federal student aid.

(9) "Half-time student" means any student enrolled in at least one-half the credit hour or clock hour load defined by the institution

as constituting expected full-time progress toward the particular degree or certificate.

(10) "Off-campus community service placements" shall include direct service, planning, or applied research that is designed to improve the quality of life for residents of the community served, particularly low-income residents, in such fields as health care, child care, education, literacy training, welfare, social services, public safety, crime prevention and control, transportation, recreation, housing and neighborhood improvement, rural development, and community improvement. Placements are identified by an institution through formal or informal consultation with local nonprofit, governmental, and community-based organizations.

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