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UW SYSTEM ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES

Interim Policy Action Approved

On August 13, Interim President Thompson approved SYS 100-05, Interim: Veteran Access, Choice, and Accountability Act Domicile Requirement Waiver. This interim policy action will expire on January 1, 2021. Please see below for a detailed summary of the new interim policy action.

SYS 100-05, Interim: Veteran Access, Choice, and Accountability Act Domicile Requirement Waiver

This interim policy action is effective upon approval. It will expire on January 1, 2020.

Summary of Interim Policy Action

- This interim policy action temporarily amends SYS 805, Tuition and Fee Policies for Credit Instruction, section 6.B.2, and how UW institutions administer the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 (Choice Act).
- Due to circumstances presented by Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), veterans (and other eligible students) may choose to reside outside the state during the pandemic but still seek to enroll in UW programs. Until circumstances allow for a safe return to the state of
Wisconsin, this interim policy action temporarily amends the domicile requirement in SYS 805, Tuition and Fee Policies for Credit Instruction, section 6.B.2 for eligible students attending UW institutions.

- UW System Administration authorizes extension of Choice Act coverage to eligible students who enroll but do not return to Wisconsin before January 1, 2021.
  - Covered students generally are nonresidents using federal VA benefits under 38 U.S. Code Title 38 Chapters 30, 31 and 33 who meet discharge and continuous enrollment requirements.
  - The Choice Act coverage entitles eligible students to a waiver of nonresident tuition.

Affected Areas on Campuses

- This interim policy action applies to offices that handle the administration of the Choice Act and student tuition.

Campus Implementation

- Campuses must adhere to the provisions of this interim policy action.

Additional Communication

- Further notice will be provided prior to the expiration of this interim policy action.

Summary of Policy Actions Taken

Attached please find a listing of all approved interim Regent Policy Document waivers, interim SYS policy actions, and SYS policies taken from July 10, 2020 through August 17, 2020.

There was one (1) new interim Regent Policy Document waiver and three (3) new interim SYS policy and procedure actions approved. All interim policy and procedures, as well as federal and state-level flexibilities and guidance, can be found on the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Interim Policy Resources page.

There was also one (1) SYS policy revision approved in the 1200 series: University Personnel System Policies.

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