Texas Public Educational Grant

The Texas Public Educational Grant (TPEG) program was enacted in 1975 by the 64th Texas Legislature to provide grant assistance to students with financial need (Texas Education Code, §56.031). TPEG is funded from a 15 percent tuition set-aside as part of a student’s statutory tuition charge. In FY 2010, over $137.4 million was awarded in need-based grant aid through TPEG.

Eligibility Requirements

A student may be eligible to receive a TPEG if he or she is enrolled at a Texas public college or university by meeting the following eligibility criteria:

- Has financial need
- Is a Texas resident, non-resident, or foreign student
- Has registered for the Selective Service or is exempt from this requirement

Grant Award

Institutions make TPEG awards from statutory tuition set-asides. Each institution may set its own maximum award amount. Not less than 90 percent of tuition set-asides shall be used for TPEG awards, and not more than 10 percent shall be used for emergency loans.

Institutions may also set their own priorities in making awards. For example, some institutions may choose to set full-time, undergraduates, graduates, or part-time students as first priority.

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