



SC Commission on Higher Education

College Transition Programs

April 22, 2015

Agenda

10:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

10:10 a.m. Purpose of Meeting

10:15 a.m. Review of Agenda Items

12:00 p.m. Adjourn

Legislative Update

- The Committee on Access & Equity and Student Services met 3/11/15 and approved the College Transition Program Guidelines
 - Approval allowed for the guidelines to be presented to the full Commission
- The full Commission met 4/2/15 and approved the College Transition Program Guidelines
- The guidelines are now ready for full dissemination and use for summer 2015. Should any changes occur during this legislative session CHE will update/edit accordingly.

Proviso 11.15 FY 2015-16

- (CHE: College Transition Need-Based Grants) Of the currently appropriated need-based grants funding, no more than **\$179,178** shall be used to provide need-based grants to South Carolina resident students enrolled at a public institution of higher education in an established college transition program that serves students with intellectual disabilities. The Commission on Higher Education shall allocate the available funds to eligible institutions on the basis of student need and enrollment in the established college transition programs. All other grants and gift aid for which these students are eligible must be applied first to the cost of attendance prior to using the need-based grant funding. If the cost of attendance for an eligible student is met with all other grants and gift aid, the need-based grant shall not be used. The participating institutions, in cooperation with the Commission on Higher Education, shall track the number of grant recipients and other information determined necessary to evaluate the effectiveness of these grants in assisting students with intellectual disabilities in college transition programs.

General Eligibility Requirements

- U.S. Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident
- South Carolina Resident
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
 - FAFSA is completed each year
 - Ensures Methodology is consistent at each school for each student
- Enrolled in a College Transition Program
 - Director of the program at each school will provide certification of student enrollment

Continued Eligibility

Participants in these programs must demonstrate continued eligibility at the end of each academic year in order to receive funds the following year

Methods to determine continued eligibility:

- Satisfactory Academic Progress
- Good Standing

Institution	# of Participants Fall 2014	# of Participants Spring 2015	Fall 2014 Disbursement	Spring 2015 Disbursement	Total Institutional Disbursement
Clemson University	2	2	\$6,670	\$6,670	\$13,340
Coastal Carolina University	9	8	\$29,750	\$25,963	\$55,713
College of Charleston	0	0	N/A	N/A	\$0
University of South Carolina	7	6	\$24,500	\$21,000	\$45,500
Winthrop University	N/A	8	N/A	\$28,000	\$28,000
	Total: 18	Total: 24		2014-15 FY TOTAL	\$142,553
				Amount Unused for FY 2014-15	\$36,625
				Amount of increase from FY 2013-14	\$2,817

2015-16 FY Projections:

Full \$7,000 Award & Estimated Highest Number of Participants

Institution	# of Participants 2015-16	Yearly Disbursement
Clemson University	2	\$14,000
Coastal Carolina University	9	\$63,000
College of Charleston	3	\$21,000
University of South Carolina	8	\$56,000
Winthrop University	8	\$56,000
	TOTAL:	\$210,000

2015-16 FY Projections:

Estimated Highest Number of Participants at \$6,000 & \$6,500 Awards

Institution	# Of Participants	Yearly Disbursement: \$6,500	Yearly Disbursement: \$6, 000
Clemson University	2	\$13,000	\$12,000
Coastal Carolina University	9	\$58,500	\$54,000
College of Charleston	3	\$19,5000	\$18,000
University of South Carolina	8	\$52,000	\$48,000
Winthrop University	8	\$52,000	\$48,000
	TOTAL:	\$195,000	\$180,000