

Reminders and Clarifications

File Format

Every student record must be 441 characters in length and the file structure should be submitted in a fixed-length text format; otherwise the file will error out.

For example:

“Invalid record format. Expected 441, got 440. Rejected!”.

Data Element #05 (SSN/ID) and Data Element #95 (ID)

- If reporting a student's SSN in data element #05, report the student's ID in data element #95.
- If reporting a student's ID in data element #05 because they do not have a SSN, report the student's ID **again** in data element #95.
- Zeros are not being accepted for data element #05 or element #95.

Data Element #98 – Defaulted Loan:

For TASFA students, when reporting “1” for data element #23 (needs analysis), enter “2” under data element #98 indicating “No”.

Residency and SSN/ID matches between FADs and CBM001:

Residency match between FADs and CBM001 will only be done during Reporting Cycle 3. In addition, SSN and ID match will only be done during Reporting Cycle 3.

Attempted Hours Format

The attempted hours should be reported as if it includes a decimal.

For example:

12 hours is reported	=	120 (12.0)
6 hours is reported	=	060 (06.0)
4.5 hours is reported	=	045 (04.5)

Data Elements #110 - #113 – Satisfactory Academic Progress

Institutions must report “3” for data elements #110 through #113 for reporting cycle 1.

Data Element Updates

Attempted Hours

The maximum attempted hours have been increased for the terms for Graduate students.

Data Elements #50 – PELL:

Award maximum has been updated up to \$8,880.

Data Elements #76 – AmeriCorps:

Award maximum has been updated up to \$11,840.

Data Elements #54 (TEG), #68 (TEXAS Grant), #69 (TEOG):

Edit has been changed on Data Elements #54, #68, and #69 to use Data Element #37 (9-month EFC) instead of Data Element #47 (EFC).

Data Elements #89 – BOT:

The need requirement has been removed from the edits since BOT does not have a need requirement.

Data Elements #92 – Transfer or First time in College:

Clarification for graduate students.

- **Not Applicable:** Enter six zeros “000000” if the student
 - is returning or continuing at your institution; or
 - is a graduate student that is continuing enrollment at your institution.
- **First-Time in College:** Enter “000001” if the student
 - has never attended college before;
 - entered with college credits earned before graduation from high school;
 - entered your institution for the first-time at a graduate level (medical or dental); or
 - was accepted into a master’s program, doctoral program, or doctoral professional practice program (e.g., AUD, PharmD, DNP, DRPH, DPT) at your institution.
- **Transfer Student:** Enter the **FICE Code** of the institution of higher education if the student
 - transferred to your institution from another and the FICE code is known; or
 - is a graduate student that transferred from another institution at the same level and the FICE code is known;
- **Unidentified Transfer Student:** Enter “999999” if the student
 - transferred from an institution that is out-of-state;
 - transferred from an institution that does not have a FICE code, designated identifying number or if the FICE code is unknown;
 - is a graduate student that transferred from an out-of-state institution at the same level; or
 - is a graduate student that transferred from an institution that does not have a FICE code, designated identifying number or if the FICE code is unknown;

Data Element #97 – Selective Service:

Updated Warning:

Warning if 0 and needs analysis (#23) = 1 and gender (#43) = M

Updated Errors:

error if = 2 and needs analysis (# 23) = 1 and TEG (#54) > 0
error if = 2 and needs analysis (# 23) = 1 and TEXAS Grant (#68) > 0
error if = 2 and needs analysis (# 23) = 1 and TEOG (#69) > 0
error if = 2 and needs analysis (# 23) = 1 and CAL (#83) > 0
error if = 2 and needs analysis (# 23) = 1 and TOP 10% (#8) > 0
error if = 2 and needs analysis (# 23) = 1 and BOT (#89) > 0
error if = 2 and needs analysis (# 23) = 1 and TASSP (#79) > 0
error if = 2 and needs analysis (# 23) = 1 and TCWS (#74) > 0
error if = 2 and needs analysis (# 23) = 1 and TCWS Mentorship (#78) > 0

Data Elements #99 – Attempted Hours for Fall, Spring and Summer:

The maximum attempted hours that can be reported for graduate and professional students during Fall, Spring and Summer terms have been increased. Also, if the institution does not have hours for these students for Fall, Spring and Summer, leave them as “000”.

Data Elements #100 – Attempted Hours for Summer:

If the institution does not have hours for graduate and professional students during Fall, Spring and Summer terms, they can leave them as “000”.

Data Elements #101 – Unsubsidized Federal Direct Loan:

The maximum amount that can be reported for professional students has been updated.

Error if > 20500 and Classification (#33) = 1, 2, 4 or 5
Error if > 47167 and Classification (#33) = 3

Counts column on edit report has been corrected

Count totals were erroneously double counting and counting items that were not errors or warnings which has now been corrected.

Attempted Hours:

If the institution is reporting less than 12 attempted hours in data element #99-101 and they have a “1” in data element #59 (hardship) or greater than “0” in data element #58 (justification), then it should not be an error if reporting a dollar amount for data elements #8 (Top 10%) and #89 (BOT).

If the institution is reporting less than 9 attempted hours in data element #99-101 and they have a “1” in element #59 (hardship) or greater than 0 in data element #58 (justification), then it should not be an error if reporting a dollar amount for data elements #54 (TEG) and #68 (TEXAS Grant).

The edit is being updated and scheduled to be in production by February 22. Please resubmit any files impacted by this error message.