

Beginning in the 2018-19 award year, the reallocation process was eliminated for the three state grant programs that include Toward EXcellence, Access, and Success (TEXAS Grant), Texas Educational Opportunity Grant (TEOG) and Tuition Equalization Grant (TEG). Institutions have until the close of business on August 1 to request grant funding (or the first working day thereafter if it falls on a weekend or holiday). Extending the award year through August now allows institutions that have remaining funds from the approved allocation to award students attending the summer terms, if otherwise eligible. (Header institutions = Summer 2018 and Trailer institutions = Summer 2019). The guidance below is provided to assist institutions with the administration of summer grant awarding for the 2018-19 award year. The Texas Administrative Code (TAC) will be updated for the 2019-20 academic year to include new rules for year-round grant awarding.

### Eligibility for Summer Terms

All basic eligibility requirements for the applicable grant program will remain the same for summer terms, including the student's minimum enrollment status (e.g.,  $\frac{3}{4}$  time TEXAS Grant,  $\frac{1}{2}$  time TEOG and  $\frac{3}{4}$  time for TEG). Since summer terms vary in length and in the number of hours a student can enroll during the relevant terms, the summer terms or modules can be combined to establish the student's enrollment hours for eligibility purposes to disburse grant funds.

### Awarding Grant Funds for the Summer in 2018-19

Historically, annual grant award amounts were provided to institutions based on a Fall/Spring academic year. Now that the award year has been extended to include summer terms, two of the grant programs (TEXAS Grant and TEOG) allow institutions to award based on a semester maximum.

#### TEXAS Grant Semester Maximum

Students receiving a TEXAS Grant cannot exceed the **semester** maximum for fall, spring, and summer.

- The award maximum is \$4,674 per semester.
- A student could receive up to \$14,022 for the 2018-19 award year.
- Target awards are still encouraged (\$2,500 per semester = up to \$7,500).

TEXAS GRANT 2018-19 AWARD MAXIMUMS				
INSTITUTION TYPE	AWARD MAX PER YEAR	SEMESTER MAX	TARGET AWARD MAX	TARGET SEMESTER MAX
PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES & HEALTH-RELATED INSTITUTIONS	\$14,022	\$4,674	\$7,500	\$2,500

**TEOG Semester Maximum**

Students receiving a TEOG cannot exceed the **semester** maximum for fall, spring, and summer.

- Awards for each semester are still based on the student’s enrollment status at census.

TEOG 2018-19 AWARD MAXIMUMS					
INSTITUTION TYPE	AWARD MAXIMUM PER YEAR	SEMESTER MAXIMUM BASED ON ENROLLMENT ON CENSUS DATE			
		FULL-TIME	3/4 TIME	1/2 TIME	< 1/2 TIME
PUBLIC STATE COLLEGES	\$8,793	\$2,931	\$2,199	\$1,466	\$0
PUBLIC TECHNICAL INSTITUTES	\$8,385	\$2,795	\$2,097	\$1,398	\$0
PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGES	\$4,725	\$1,575	\$1,181	\$788	\$0

**TEG Annual Maximum**

By statute, the TEG program sets an annual limit. That annual limit may be awarded in 1, 2, or across all 3 terms (if the student attends fall, spring, and summer).

- The annual maximum amount is \$3,364 and cannot exceed the student’s financial need or tuition differential.
- TEG does NOT have a semester maximum.

TEG 2018-19 AWARD MAXIMUMS		
INSTITUTION TYPE	AWARD MAX PER YEAR	EXCEPTIONAL NEED
PRIVATE/INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS	\$3,364	\$5,046
Undergraduate students whose EFC’s are ≤ \$1,000 may receive up to the Exceptional Need award amount.		

**Calculating Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)**

For 2018-19, institutions **must** include credits attempted for summer coursework when calculating the satisfactory academic progress (SAP) if the student **receives** grant funding.

If a student does **not receive** state grant funding for the summer term(s), a student can take summer coursework to re-establish eligibility if he/she had failed to meet SAP requirements during his/her last term or semester. Summer coursework (not funded using state grants) should not be used to recalculate SAP if the attempted credits will result in the student losing his/her eligibility for the fall term.

For questions, please contact Financial Aid Services at (844) 792-2640 or [CONTACT US](#) (select the “Financial Aid Question” option in the drop-down selection under **Contact Reason**).