#### STUDENT FINANCIAL AID PROGRAM

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# College of the Mainland

Return of Title IV Student Financial Aid Funds for Withdrawals

Sec. 484B, 485(a)(1)(F), 34 CFR 668.22

The Higher Education Amendments of 1998, Public Law 105-244

The Higher Education Amendments of 1998, Public Law 105-244 changed substantially the way funds paid toward a student's education is to be handled when a recipient of Student Financial Aid Program funds withdraws from school.

College of the Mainland students who register for classes, benefit from Title IV student financial aid, then withdraw, are subject to the withdrawal policy as stated in the Higher Education Amendments of 1998.

Up through the 60 percent point in each payment period or period of enrollment, a pro rata schedule is used to determine how much Student Financial Aid (SFA) program funds the student has earned at the time of withdrawal. After the 60 percent point in the payment period or period of enrollment, a student has earned 100 percent of the SFA program funds.

Calculation of amount of SFA program assistance earned:

The amount of SFA program assistance earned is the percentage of SFA program assistance that has been earned multiplied by the total amount of SFA program assistance that was disbursed for the payment period or period of enrollment as of the day the student withdraw.

Percentage of the payment period or period of enrollment completed:

The percentage of the payment period or period of enrollment completed is the total number of calendar days in the payment period or period of enrollment for which the assistance is awarded divided into the number of calendar days completed in that period as of the day the student withdrew.

Disposition of differences between amount earned and amount received:

If the student receives less SFA program assistance than the amount earned, the school must comply with the procedures for late disbursement specified by the department in regulations.

If the student receives more SFA program assistance than the amount earned, the school, or the student, or both, must return the unearned funds as required, and in the order specified below:

College of the Mainland must return the lesser of:

The amount of SFA program funds that the student does not earn; or

The amount of institutional costs that the student incurred for the payment period or period of enrollment multiplied by the percentage of funds that was not earned.

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The student must return or repay, as appropriate, the remaining unearned SFA program grant funds. However, a student is not required to return 50 percent of the grant assistance received by the student that it is the responsibility of the student to repay.

## Method of return of funds by the student:

Grant overpayments are subject to repayment arrangements satisfactory to the school, or overpayment collection procedures prescribed by the Secretary of Education.

### Order of return of SFA program funds:

Unsubsidized Federal Direct Loan

Subsidized Federal Direct Loan

Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS)

Federal Pell Grants for the payment period for which a return of funds is required

Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants (FSEOG) for the payment period for which a return of funds is required

Other assistance under this title for which a return of funds is required

Typical cost of education for students attending College of the Mainland can be found on the College's website at www.com.edu

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