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Wisconsin Grant - UW

Wisconsin Grant - UW committed 136.04% (\$82,973,765) of its appropriation with 36,406 calculated awards. This is 1,763 fewer calculated awards but a 6.89% increase committed than at this time last year. A mid-year formula change increased award amounts. HEAB no longer applies "W" codes to waitlist Wisconsin Grant-UW applicants. Each campus has an allocation and they determine their own cut-off point for awards. In 2015-16, the program had committed 129.15% of its appropriation at this time. HEAB has received 4,952 fewer applicants than at this time last year.

Wisconsin Grant - WTC

Wisconsin Grant - WTC committed 170.65% (\$33,510,053) of its appropriation with 33,736 calculated awards. This is 329 fewer awards and 9.86% decrease committed than at this time last year. In 2015-16, the program had committed 180.51% of its appropriation at this time. HEAB has received 6,491 fewer applicants than at this time last year.

Wisconsin Grant – Private, Non-Profit

Wisconsin Grant - PNP has committed 160.24 % (\$43,057,019) of its appropriation with 15,484 awards. This is 27 fewer awards and 2.91% less committed than at this time last year. In 2015-16, the program had committed 163.15 % of its appropriation at this time. 2016-17 W codes have not been applied. When N coded awards are removed from the committed numbers, Wisconsin Grant - PNP has committed 131.61% (\$35,364,299) of its appropriation with 12,716 awards. Compared to last year's committed numbers with N coded awards removed, this is 1,409 more awards and 14.97% more committed. N codes may be applied to student awards for several reasons: the student is not attending the institution, the student is ineligible due to graduate level status, the student is attending an educational program that does not receive Wisconsin Grant - PNP funds, or the student's need has been met by other scholarships or grants.

Wisconsin Grant - Tribal

Wisconsin Grant-Tribal has committed 193.76% (\$880,039) of its appropriation with 514 awards. This is 11 fewer awards and 0.76% more committed than at this time last year. In 2015-16, the program had committed 193.00% of its appropriation at this time. For 2016-17, W codes were applied on October 5, 2016.

Status of Applicants

The number of applicants (first-time FAFSA filers who listed Wisconsin as their state of legal residence) for 2016-17 through mid-February 2017 is 270,202. Last year at this time there were 289,507 applicants.