

**THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER INTERNAL POLICIES**

**13.99.99.Z1.01 Non-Resident Tuition Waiver for Competitive
Scholarship Recipients**

Approved December 6, 2006

1. GENERAL

- 1.1. A non-resident student who holds a competitive academic scholarship of at least \$1000 (or the amount required for eligibility by the Texas Education Code) for the academic year or summer for which the student is enrolled is entitled to pay the fees and charges required of Texas residents without regard to the length of time the student has resided in Texas. The student must have competed with other students, including Texas residents, for the academic scholarship and the scholarship must be awarded by a component scholarship committee officially recognized by the Scholarship Compliance Committee approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.
- 1.2. The scholarship must be granted under circumstances that cause both the funds and the selection process to be under the control of the institution.
- 1.3. The total number of students at an institution paying resident tuition under this section for a particular semester may not exceed five percent of the total number of students registered at the institution for the same semester of the preceding academic year.

2. GUIDELINES

- 2.1. The Scholarship Compliance Committee is the recognized scholarship oversight committee of Health Science Center. In order for a non-resident student awarded a competitive scholarship of at least \$1000 to be qualified to pay resident tuition charges, the award must be certified by the Scholarship Compliance Committee.
- 2.2. Non-resident students qualifying for in-state tuition as a result of a competitive scholarship must be selected by a Health Science Center component institution scholarship committee and the request must be forwarded to the Scholarship Compliance Committee for certification of the waiver in tuition charges.
- 2.3. The deadline for submitting a request for a non-resident tuition waiver to the Secretary of the Scholarship Compliance Committee is July 1 for the fall semester and November 15 for the spring semester. Any exception to this

deadline must have the approval of Chair of Scholarship Compliance Committee and no requests will be accepted after classes begin in the respective component.

- 2.4. After certification by the Scholarship Compliance Committee, the Non-resident Tuition Exemption information will be forwarded to the Student Business Services Office for necessary action to effect credit or reimbursement of tuition.
- 2.5. A competitive scholarship awarded for the fall semester exempts the student from paying non-resident tuition for that semester, as well as the following spring and summer semesters. A competitive scholarship for the spring semester exempts the student for the spring and summer semesters.
- 2.6. The waiver of non-resident tuition shall be for the same time period as that of the competitive scholarship, not to exceed 12 months. If a competitive scholarship is canceled or reduced below \$1000 for the academic year or summer session, the student may lose eligibility for reduced tuition. In such case the waiver will cease at the end of the enrollment period in which the scholarship is terminated or reduced to less than \$1,000. The student will be required to pay non-resident tuition at beginning with the next enrollment period. A written statement should be submitted by the component to the Secretary of the Scholarship Compliance Committee immediately upon such an occurrence. The statement will list the date of cancellation or reduction, the student's name and I.D. number, and the scholarship name and account number. The Secretary will notify the Scholarship Compliance Committee and the appropriate Student Business Services Office.

OFFICE OF RESPONSIBILITY

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