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Wisconsin Grant - UW

Wisconsin Grant - UW committed 128.17% (\$79,331,628) of its appropriation with 31,023 calculated awards. This is 2,957 less calculated awards than we had at this time last year. 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 2019-20, the program had committed 139.96% of its appropriation at this time. HEAB has received 3,826 less applicants than at this time last year.

Wisconsin Grant - WTC

Wisconsin Grant - WTC committed 193.85% (\$46,647,421) of its appropriation with 41,190 calculated awards. This is 57 more calculated awards than we had at this time last year. In 2019-20, the program had committed 177.89% of its appropriation at this time. HEAB has received 4,563 less applicants than at this time last year. HEAB started applying “W” codes to waitlist Wisconsin Grant-WTC applicants on 10/30/2019.

Wisconsin Grant – Private, Non-Profit

Wisconsin Grant - PNP has committed 153.58% (\$45,726,406) of its appropriation with 13,440 awards. This is 896 fewer awards than at this time last year. In 2019-20, the program had committed 161.75% of its appropriation at this time. 2019-20 W codes had not been applied. When N coded awards are removed from the committed numbers, Wisconsin Grant - PNP has committed 123.46% (\$36,758,366) of its appropriation with 10,824 awards. Compared to last year’s committed numbers with N coded awards removed, this is 508 more awards than at this time last year. 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 146.29% (\$742,951) of its appropriation with 486 awards. This is 130 fewer awards than at this time last year. In 2019-20, the program had committed 183.36% of its appropriation at this time. 2019-20 W codes were applied to waitlist Wisconsin Grant – Tribal applicants on 1/14/2020.

Status of Applicants

The number of applicants (first-time FAFSA filers who listed Wisconsin as their state of legal residence) for 2020-21 through the first week of February 2021 is 245,668. Last year at this time there were 254,181 applicants.