STANDARD ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

13.03.99.M0.03 Non-resident Tuition Waiver for Competitive Scholarship Recipients
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SAP Statement

This SAP provides the guidelines under which recipients of competitive scholarships may receive a non-resident tuition waiver. The rule notes the authority of who may determine eligibility and circumstances/timing which impact the awarding of this waiver.

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1. GENERAL

1.1 A non-resident student who holds a competitive University 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 may be 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 university college or department scholarship committee or university representative, either entity must be officially recognized by the University.

1.2 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.

1.3 In order to qualify for the non-resident waiver for competitive scholarships, recipients must be fully-admitted, degree seeking students at Texas A&M
University or a member of an approved program (i.e. Research Experiences for Undergraduates).

2. GUIDELINES

2.1 The University Scholarship Committee is designated as the executive agency of the University in matters related to scholarships and awards and further recognizes scholarship committees at each branch campus, major units, and within all colleges and schools of the University. In order for a non-resident student awarded a competitive fellowship or scholarship of at least $1000 to be qualified to pay resident tuition charges, the award must be in compliance with paragraph 1.1 of this document.

2.2 Non-resident students qualifying for in-state tuition must be selected to receive a scholarship(s) by a scholarship committee recognized by the University Scholarship Committee. An outside donor may be consulted for input by the college or department scholarship committee but the outside donor may not make the final selection/decision on the recipient.

2.3 Certification of eligibility should be facilitated through Scholarships & Financial Aid at the appropriate financial aid office designated for serving the branch campus, college, or school making the scholarship award. The deadline for colleges/departments to submit award notifications is the seventh class day in the fall and spring semesters and the second class day in a summer session. Non-resident Tuition Waivers for Competitive Scholarship Recipients will not be considered after the twelfth class day of the fall/spring terms or fourth class day of the summer terms.

2.4 Scholarships & Financial Aid verifies proof of meeting Selective Service registration requirements or being exempt each academic year per the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) Rule 21.2263.

2.5 After approval by the designated financial aid office, through an automated process, the non-resident tuition waiver will be submitted to the appropriate Student Business Services unit for necessary action to effect credit or reimbursement of tuition.

2.6 A competitive scholarship awarded exempts the student from paying non-resident tuition for the semester in which the scholarship is first paid and each semester after within the same academic year. Waivers cannot be applied retroactively.

2.7 The waiver of non-resident tuition shall be for the same academic year as that of the competitive scholarship. If a competitive scholarship is canceled or reduced below $1000 for the academic year, the student may lose eligibility for this waiver. In such case, the waiver will cease at the end of the enrollment period in which the scholarship is terminated, reduced to less than $1,000, or the student does not
otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for the waiver. The student will be required to pay non-resident tuition beginning with the next enrollment period. It is the responsibility of the awarding unit to inform the student of his/her loss of eligibility for the tuition waiver.

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