

Incentive Scholarship Program for Elizabeth City State University

Effective July 1, 1999. The incentive scholarship program is intended to give needed aid to well-prepared, in-state students who want to attend Elizabeth City State University on a full-time basis. The cost for tuition, fees, room and board, and books to attend ECSU will be calculated as the maximum financial aid package. Special appropriated incentive scholarship funds (maximum \$3,800 per recipient per academic year) will be used after all other need-based funds for which a student is also eligible have been included in the student's financial aid package. The awards are available to entering first-time freshmen and entering first-time transfer students, and will be renewable semester-by-semester as long as the recipient meets all applicable criteria listed below:

1. To be eligible for an incentive scholarship as an entering freshman, a student must meet the following requirements:

a. be a graduate of a high school in one of 21 identified counties in northeastern North Carolina:

Beaufort	Hyde
Bertie	Martin
Camden	Nash
Chowan	Northampton
Currituck	Pasquotank
Dare	Perquimans
Edgecombe	Tyrrell
Franklin	Vance
Gates	Warren
Halifax	Washington
Hertford	

b. rank in the top half of his or her class upon high school graduation, and meet all other University admission requirements;

c. apply for need-based student financial aid. The total scholarship award under the program shall carry a maximum value equal to the cost of tuition, fees, room and board, and books. Incentive scholarship funds will be used after all other need-based funds for which the student is also eligible have been included in the student's financial aid package. In the awarding of financial aid for the program, the special appropriated funds for the incentive scholarship will not exceed \$3,800;

d. agree to perform public service hours, at ECSU or in the community based on the following special appropriated incentive scholarship award (excluding need-based funds) schedule:

<u>Appropriated Incentive Award</u>	<u>Semester Public Service:</u>		<u>Semester Public Service:</u>	
	<u>Freshmen</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Sophomores/Juniors and Seniors</u>	<u>Year</u>
\$ 500 and below	24	48	32	64
501 to 999	36	72	48	96
1,000 to 1,499	48	96	64	128
1,500 to 1,999	60	120	80	160
2,000 to 2,499	72	144	96	192
2,500 to 3,000	84	168	112	224

- e. carry at least 15 semester hours each regular semester;
- f. a student retains academic eligibility by meeting an academic year grade point average or a cumulative grade point average on the following scale:
 - by the end of the freshman year: cumulative 2.00 or higher;
 - by the end of the sophomore year: academic year 2.50 or higher or cumulative 2.50 or higher;
 - by the end of the junior year: academic year 3.00 or higher or cumulative 3.00 or higher;
 - by the end of the senior year: academic year 3.00 or higher or cumulative 3.00 or higher.
- g. reflect in personal and scholastic behavior high moral and ethical standards.

2. To be eligible for an incentive scholarship, a transfer student must meet the following requirements:

- a. be a resident of North Carolina and possess the Associate of Arts (AA), the Associate of Science (AS), the Associate of Fine Arts (AFA), or a certificate or degree in a program that articulates directly with an academic degree program offered by ECSU from one of the following North Carolina Community Colleges* and meet all university admission requirements:

Beaufort County Community College	(Washington)
College of the Albemarle	(Elizabeth City)
Edgecombe Community College	(Tarboro)
Halifax Community College	(Weldon)
Martin Community College	(Williamston)
Nash Community College	(Rocky Mount)
Roanoke-Chowan Community College	(Ahoskie)
Vance-Granville Community College	(Henderson)

*Chowan is no longer a community college

- b. have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.50 if the student enters with an associate degree, or a 2.00 if the student enters after completion of a certificate program;
- c. apply for need-based student financial aid. The total scholarship award under the program shall carry a maximum value equal to the cost of tuition, fees, room and board, and books. Incentive scholarship funds will be used after all other need-based funds for which the student is also eligible have been included in the student's financial aid package. In the awarding of financial aid for the program, the special appropriated funds for the incentive scholarship will not exceed \$3,800.
- d. agree to perform public service, at ECSU or in the community based on the special appropriated incentive scholarship award (excluding need-based funds) which appears above in Item 1.d., the schedule for public service hours;
- e. carry at least 15 semester hours each regular semester;
- f. maintain a 3.00 cumulative grade point average at ECSU if the student enters with an associate degree, or if the student enters from a certificate program, he or she must have:
 - a 2.00 cumulative grade point average by the end of the freshman year;
 - a 2.50 academic year grade point average or a 2.50 cumulative grade point average by the end of the sophomore year;
 - a 3.00 academic year grade point average or a 3.00 cumulative grade point average by the end of the junior year;
 - and a 3.00 academic year grade point average or a 3.00 cumulative grade point average by the end of the senior year and
- g. reflect in personal and scholastic behavior high moral and ethical standards.

[This is a rewrite of Administrative Memorandum #388.]