

CHAPTER 8

**HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENT ASSISTANCE
AUTHORITY POLICIES, PROCEDURES
AND PROGRAMS**

Authority

N.J.S.A. 18A:71B-6 and 18A:72F-11.

Source and Effective Date

R.2000 d.323, effective July 17, 2000.
See: 32 N.J.R. 1276(a), 32 N.J.R. 2897(a).

Executive Order No. 66(1978) Expiration Date

Chapter 8, Higher Education Student Assistance Authority Policies,
Procedures and Programs, expires on July 17, 2005.

Chapter Historical Note

Chapter 8, Office of Student Assistance Policies, Procedures and Programs, was adopted as new rules by R.1995 d.551, effective October 16, 1995 and R.1995 d.552, effective October 16, 1995. See: 27 N.J.R. 2664(a), 27 N.J.R. 3935(a); 27 N.J.R. 2662(b), 27 N.J.R. 3937(a).

Subchapter 5, Selective Service Compliance, was adopted as R.1997 d.525, effective December 15, 1997. See: 29 N.J.R. 4229(a), 29 N.J.R. 5293(a).

Subchapter 4, Minority Undergraduate Fellowship Program, was repealed by R.2000 d.162, effective April 17, 2000. See: 32 N.J.R. 429(a), 32 N.J.R. 1418(b).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 8, Higher Education Student Assistance Authority Policies, Procedures and Programs, was readopted as R.2000 d.323, effective July 17, 2000. See: Source and Effective Date. See, also, section annotations.

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SUBCHAPTERS 1 THROUGH 2. (RESERVED)

**SUBCHAPTER 3. MINORITY FACULTY
ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM**

9A:8-3.1 Authority and purpose

(a) N.J.S.A. 18A:72F-1 et seq. establishes the Minority Faculty Advancement Program to increase the numbers of minority faculty and administrators with doctorates in certain academic disciplines in which minorities are underrepresented.

1. N.J.S.A. 18A:72F-4 phases out the Minority Faculty Advancement Loan and Loan Redemption Program and provides for its administration by the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority until program participants exhaust their eligibility.

2. N.J.S.A. 18A:72F-11 assigns to the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority responsibility for rules pertaining to loans and loan redemption pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:72F-5 through 18A:72F-9, and assigns to the Commission on Higher Education rulemaking responsibility for the remaining provisions of the Minority Faculty Advancement Program. For example, the Commission on Higher Education has rulemaking responsibility for the administration of campus assistance grants, for which participants in the Minority Faculty Advancement Loan and Loan Redemption Program will continue to be eligible. See N.J.S.A. 18A:72F-4; N.J.A.C. 9A:12-2.

New Rule, R.2000 d.323, effective August 7, 2000.
See: 32 N.J.R. 1276(a), 32 N.J.R. 2897(a).

Former N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.1, Definitions, recodified to N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.2.

9A:8-3.2 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

“Authority” or “HESAA” means the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority created pursuant to chapter 71A of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

“Eligible discipline” means an academic discipline in which minority faculty members are underrepresented in comparison to non-minority faculty members with doctorates, including, but not limited to, the physical and life sciences, engineering, mathematics, management, computer sciences, environmental science and statistics. “Eligible discipline” shall not, however, include the disciplines of law, medicine or dentistry.

“Executive Director” means the Executive Director, HESAA.

“Faculty member” means any person employed full-time by a New Jersey institution of higher education to perform primarily teaching or research duties for a full academic year.

“Faculty service requirement” means that service which qualifies a program participant for loan redemption as set forth in N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.14.

“Full-time student” means one who, in each semester, quarter or equivalent thereof, is engaged in coursework or research necessary to constitute full-time graduate student status as defined by the host institution attended.

“Host institution” means an institution of higher education having authority under the laws of New Jersey to award doctoral degrees which elects to participate in the program through the awarding of doctoral degrees to program participants.

“Institution of higher education” means any public or independent institution of higher education in the State licensed by the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education.

“Minority” means any United States citizen or permanent resident who is a member of a racial-ethnic group that has been historically disadvantaged in obtaining access to equal educational opportunities as designated by the United States Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights, including Blacks, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders.

“Program” means the Minority Faculty Advancement Program.

“Program participant” means an individual who was recommended by the Minority Faculty Advancement Program Advisory Committee and accepted by the Executive Director to participate in the program prior to July 1, 1999.

“Sponsoring institution” means an institution of higher education which nominates and sponsors either a minority faculty member, a member of the non-teaching professional staff or any other recipient of a baccalaureate or master’s degree from its or another institution to participate in the program or other eligible minority as defined herein.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.1 and amended by R.2000 d.323, effective August 7, 2000.

See: 32 N.J.R. 1276(a), 32 N.J.R. 2897(a).

Rewrote “Authority” as “Authority” or “HESAA”; in “Executive Director”, substituted a reference to HESAA for a reference to the Office of Student Assistance; rewrote “Institution of higher education”; in “Program”, deleted “Loan and Loan Redemption” following “Advancement”; and in “Program participant”, added “prior to July 1, 1999” at the end. Former N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.2, Degree requirements, recodified to N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.3.

9A:8-3.3 Degree requirements

(a) Each program participant must pursue doctoral studies as a full-time student at an approved host institution.

(b) Eligible disciplines shall be determined by the Executive Director for participants admitted to the program prior to July 1, 1999.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.2 and amended by R.2000 d.323, effective August 7, 2000.

See: 32 N.J.R. 1276(a), 32 N.J.R. 2897(a).

In (b), added “for participants admitted to the program prior to July 1, 1999” at the end. Former N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.3, Program participation eligibility, recodified to N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.4.

9A:8-3.4 Program participation eligibility

(a) To qualify for eligibility under the program an applicant must:

1. Be a member of a minority group;
2. Be admitted on a full-time basis as a graduate student pursuing a doctoral degree in an eligible discipline at a host institution;
3. Have demonstrated a potential for academic excellence based upon superior performance in previous academic work and graduate admission testing;
4. Have a high interest and potential for success in college teaching and academic research and agree to fulfill a faculty service requirement in New Jersey for at least four years; and
5. Have been admitted to the program prior to July 1, 1999.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.3 and amended by R.2000 d.323, effective August 7, 2000.

See: 32 N.J.R. 1276(a), 32 N.J.R. 2897(a).

Added (a)5. Former N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.4, Admission to host institution, recodified to N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.5.

9A:8-3.5 Admission to host institution

Admission to the graduate program will be determined by each individual host institution.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.4 by R.2000 d.323, effective August 7, 2000.

See: 32 N.J.R. 1276(a), 32 N.J.R. 2897(a).

Former N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.5, Participation in program, recodified to N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.6.

9A:8-3.6 Participation in program

Eligibility for continuing participation in the program shall be determined by the Executive Director only for those participants admitted to the program prior to July 1, 1999.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.5 and amended by R.2000 d.323, effective August 7, 2000.

See: 32 N.J.R. 1276(a), 32 N.J.R. 2897(a).

Rewrote the section. Former N.J.A.C. 9A:8-3.6, Sponsoring institution responsibilities, repealed.