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**Summary**

This document outlines mandated Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards for eligibility for the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) and other state awards for students pursuing associate or baccalaureate degrees or certificate programs at the State University of New York (University).

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**Requirement**

This document outlines mandated Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards for eligibility for the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) and other state awards for students pursuing associate or baccalaureate degrees or certificate programs at the State University of New York (University).

- A. Regulations of the New York State Commissioner of Education require that a University campus maintain a formal, published statement of its requirements for maintaining good academic standing for students seeking financial assistance. The standards should be published in the college catalogue. When state auditors review administration of the TAP program, they reference the State Education Department (SED)-approved SAP standards to determine if students are meeting the progress requirements and if audit exceptions exist.
- B. Students in associate degree and certificate programs (see C. 1.) and baccalaureate degree programs (see C. 2.), who previously received TAP can maintain eligibility by meeting the previously approved University-wide standards (see also Regulations of the Commissioner of Education [Subpart 145-2 Educational Requirements for Awards and Loans](#)).
- C. Standards for
  - 1. Associate Degrees and Certificate Programs

The following University campuses will use the chart below for both first time and continuing state aid recipients in 2006-07:

- University at Buffalo
- SUNY Maritime College
- Empire State College
- College of Technology at Alfred
- College of Technology at Canton
- College of Technology at Delhi
- College of Technology at Farmingdale
- Adirondack Community College
- Broome Community College
- Cayuga County Community College
- Clinton Community College
- Columbia-Greene Community College
- Corning Community College

- Dutchess Community College
- Erie Community College
- Fashion Institute of Technology
- Finger Lakes Community College
- Fulton-Montgomery Community College
- Genesee Community College
- Herkimer County Community College
- Hudson Valley Community College
- Jamestown Community College
- Jefferson Community College
- Mohawk Valley Community College
- Monroe Community College
- Nassau Community College
- Niagara County Community College
- North Country Community College
- Onondaga Community College
- Orange County Community College
- Rockland Community College
- Schenectady County Community College
- Suffolk County Community College
- Sullivan County Community College
- Tompkins-Cortland Community College
- Ulster County Community College
- Westchester Community College
- College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill
- College of Agriculture and Technology at Morrisville
- SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry

Legislated standards required by statute to be used for first-time and continuing associate degree students beginning in 2006-07:

Before being certified for this payment:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
A student must have accrued at least this many credits:	0	3	9	18	30	45
With at least this GPA:	.0	.5	.75	1.3	2.0	2.0

2. Baccalaureate Degrees

The following University campuses will use the chart below for both first time and continuing state aid recipients in 2006-07:

- University at Albany
- University at Binghamton
- University at Buffalo
- University at Stony Brook
- College at Buffalo
- College at Cortland
- Empire State College
- College at Genesee
- College at New Paltz
- College at Oneonta
- College at Plattsburgh
- College at Purchase
- SUNY Maritime College
- College of Technology at Alfred
- College of Technology at Canton
- College of Technology at Farmingdale
- College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill
- SUNY College of Environment and Forestry

Legislated standards required by statute to be used for first-time Baccalaureate degree students beginning in 2006-07:

Before being certified for this payment:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
A student must have accrued at least this many credits:	0	3	9	21	33	45	60	75	90	105

With at least this GPA:	0	1.1	1.2	1.3	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
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3. Baccalaureate Degrees with Pre-Fall 2006 common SED approved standards

The following University campuses will use chart A below for first-time state aid recipients and chart B for continuing state aid recipients in 2006-07:

- College at Brockport
- College at Fredonia
- College at Old Westbury
- College at Oswego
- College of Agriculture and Technology at Morrisville
- HSC Brooklyn
- College at Potsdam
- Upstate Medical University
- SUNY Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome
- College of Technology at Delhi

a. Legislated standards required by statute to be used for first-time Baccalaureate degree students beginning in 2006-07:

Before being certified for this payment:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
A student must have accrued at least this many credits:	0	3	9	21	33	45	60	75	90	105
With at least this GPA:	0	1.1	1.2	1.3	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

• b. Pre-Fall 2006 common SED approved standards for University Baccalaureate degree students:

Before being certified for this payment:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
A student must have accrued at least this many credits:	0	3	9	18	30	45	60	75	90	105
With at least this GPA:	0	.5	.75	1.20	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

**Definitions**

There are no special definitions relevant to this requirement.

**Related Procedures**

There is no related procedures relevant to this requirement.

**Forms**

There are no forms relevant to this requirement.

**Other Related Information**

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The following links to FindLaw's [New York State Laws](#) are provided for users' convenience; it is not the official site for the State of New York laws.

[NYS Education Law §604](#) - General awards.

[NYS Education Law §667](#) - Tuition assistance program awards

In case of questions, readers are advised to refer to the New York State Legislature site for the menu of [New York State Consolidated](#).

The Office of College and University Evaluation (OCUE) - [Regulations of the Commissioner of Education: Subpart 145-2 Educational Requirements for Awards and Loans](#).

Letter from the New York State Education Department's Office of College and University Evaluation to the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Financial Aid dated November 9, 2006 approving SAP standards to determine TAP eligibility.

[New York State Higher Education Services Corporation](#)

[2006-07 NYS State budget](#)

Memorandum to presidents, 97-3, from the offices of student affairs and academic programs dated August 5, 1997 regarding "C" Average Requirement for State Financial Aid and General Audit Concerns.

See The Higher Education Services Corporation's (HESC) [New York's Tuition Assistance Program - A History](#)

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### **Appendices**

There are no appendices relevant to this requirement.