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Subpart A—General

§ 646.1 What is the Student Support Services Program?

The Student Support Services Program provides grants for projects designed to—

- (a) Increase the retention and graduation rates of eligible students;
- (b) Increase the transfer rate of eligible students from two-year to four-year institutions; and
- (c) Foster an institutional climate supportive of the success of low-income and first generation college students and individuals with disabilities through services such as those described in § 646.4.

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§ 646.2 Who is eligible to receive a grant?

An institution of higher education or a combination of institutions of higher education is eligible to receive a grant to carry out a Student Support Services project.

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§ 646.3 Who is eligible to participate in a Student Support Services project?

A student is eligible to participate in a Student Support Services project if the student meets all of the following requirements:

- (a) Is a citizen or national of the United States or meets the residency requirements for Federal student financial assistance.
- (b) Is enrolled at the grantee institution or accepted for enrollment in the next academic term at that institution.

(c) Has a need for academic support, as determined by the grantee, in order to pursue successfully a postsecondary educational program.

- (d) Is—
 - (1) A low-income individual;
 - (2) A first generation college student;
- or
- (3) An individual with disabilities.

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§ 646.4 What activities and services may a project provide?

A Student Support Services project may provide services such as:

- (a) Instruction in reading, writing, study skills, mathematics, and other subjects necessary for success beyond secondary school.
- (b) Personal counseling.
- (c) Academic advice and assistance in course selection.
- (d) Tutorial services and counseling and peer counseling.
- (e) Exposure to cultural events and academic programs not usually available to disadvantaged students.
- (f) Activities designed to acquaint students participating in the project with the range of career options available.
- (g) Activities designed to secure admission and financial assistance for enrollment in graduate and professional programs.
- (h) Activities designed to assist students currently enrolled in two-year institutions in securing admission and financial assistance for enrollment in a four-year program of postsecondary education.
- (i) Mentoring programs involving faculty or upper class students, or any combination of faculty members and upper class students.
- (j) Programs and activities as described in paragraphs (a) through (i) of this section that are specifically designed for students of limited English proficiency.
- (k) Other activities designed to meet the purposes of the Student Support Services Program stated in § 646.1.

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§ 646.5 How long is a project period?

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph
- (b) of this section, a project period