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(2) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(3) of this section, a scholar's eligibility for a scholarship is terminated when the total of his or her suspension periods exceeds 12 months.

(3) In exceptional circumstances, the SEA may extend the 12-month suspension period without terminating a scholar's eligibility under paragraph (b)(2) of this section, in accordance with standards established by the SEA.

(c) A scholar who receives an award for a period for which the SEA subsequently determines the scholar was ineligible under the requirements in § 654.40 or 654.51 shall repay to the SEA the total amount of the scholarship funds received for the period during which he or she was ineligible.

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**Subpart G—What Post-Award Conditions Must an SEA Meet?**

**§ 654.60 What requirements must an SEA meet in the administration of this program?**

(a) To receive and continue to receive payments under this part, an SEA shall—

(1) Comply with the criteria, procedures, and assurances in its approved participation agreement;

(2) Disburse the scholarship funds in accordance with § 654.50 to the scholar, the institution of higher education in which the scholar enrolls, or copayable to the scholar and the institution of higher education in which the scholar enrolls;

(3) Collect any scholarship funds improperly disbursed under § 654.50;

(4) Make reports to the Secretary that the Secretary deems necessary to carry out the Secretary's functions under this part; and

(5) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, expend all funds received from the Secretary for scholarships during the award period specified by the Secretary for those funds.

(b) After awarding all scholarship funds during an award year, as required by paragraph (a)(5) of this section, an SEA may retain any funds that are subsequently returned or collected for

scholarship awards in the following award period.

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**PART 655—INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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**Subpart A—General**

**§ 655.1 Which programs do these regulations govern?**

The regulations in this part govern the administration of the following programs in international education:

(a) The National Resource Centers Program for Foreign Language and Area Studies or Foreign Language and International Studies (section 602 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended);

(b) The Language Resource Centers Program (section 603);

(c) The Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program (section 604);

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(d) The International Research and Studies Program (section 605); and

(e) The Business and International Education Program (section 613).

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#### § 655.3 What regulations apply to the International Education Programs?

The following regulations apply to the International Education Programs:

(a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) as follows:

(1) 34 CFR part 74 (Administration of Grants to Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Nonprofit Organizations).

(2) 34 CFR part 75 (Direct Grant Programs).

(3) 34 CFR part 77 (Definitions that Apply to Department Regulations).

(4) 34 CFR part 79 (Intergovernmental Review of Department of Education Programs and Activities), except that part 79 does not apply to 34 CFR parts 660, 669, and 671.

(5) 34 CFR part 82 (New Restrictions on Lobbying).

(6) 34 CFR part 85 (Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)).

(7) 34 CFR part 86 (Drug-Free Schools and Campuses).

(b) The regulations in this part 655; and

(c) As appropriate, the regulations in—

(1) 34 CFR part 656 (National Resource Centers Program for Foreign Language and Area Studies or Foreign Language and International Studies);

(2) 34 CFR part 657 (Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships Program);

(3) 34 CFR part 658 (Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program);

(4) 34 CFR part 660 (International Research and Studies Program);

(5) 34 CFR part 661 (Business and International Education Program); and

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(6) 34 CFR part 669 (Language Resource Centers Program).

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#### § 655.4 What definitions apply to the International Education Programs?

(a) *Definitions in EDGAR.* The following terms used in this part and 34 CFR parts 656, 657, 658, 660, 661, and 669 are defined in 34 CFR part 77:

Acquisition  
Applicant  
Application  
Award  
Budget  
Contract  
EDGAR  
Equipment  
Facilities  
Fiscal year  
Grant  
Grantee  
Grant period  
Local educational agency  
Nonprofit  
Project  
Project period  
Private  
Public  
Secretary  
State educational agency  
Supplies

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1121-1127)

(b) *Definitions that apply to these programs:* The following definition applies to International Education Programs:

*Combination of institutions of higher education* means a group of institutions of higher education that have entered into a cooperative arrangement for the purpose of carrying out a common objective, or a public or private nonprofit agency, organization, or institution designated or created by a group of institutions of higher education for the purpose of carrying out a common objective on their behalf.

*Critical languages* means each of the languages contained in the list of critical languages designated by the Secretary pursuant to section 212(d) of the Education for Economic Security Act, except that, in the implementation of this definition, the Secretary may set priorities according to the purposes of title VI of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.