

§ 645.2 Who is eligible for a grant?

The following entities are eligible to apply for a grant to carry out an Upward Bound project:

- (a) Institutions of higher education.
- (b) Public or private agencies or organizations.
- (c) Secondary schools, in exceptional cases, if there are no other applicants capable of providing this program in the target area or areas to be served by the proposed project.
- (d) A combination of the types of institutions, agencies, and organizations described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C 1070a-11 and 1070a-13)

§ 645.3 Who is eligible to participate in an Upward Bound project?

An individual is eligible to participate in a Regular, Veterans, or a Math and Science Upward Bound project if the individual meets all of the following requirements:

- (a)(1) Is a citizen or national of the United States.
- (2) Is a permanent resident of the United States.
- (3) Is in the United States for other than a temporary purpose and provides evidence from the Immigration and Naturalization Service of his or her intent to become a permanent resident.
- (4) Is a permanent resident of Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.
- (5) Is a resident of the Freely Associated States—the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau.
- (b) Is—
 - (1) A potential first-generation college student; or
 - (2) A low-income individual.
- (c) Has a need for academic support, as determined by the grantee, in order to pursue successfully a program of education beyond high school.
- (d) At the time of initial selection, has completed the eighth grade but has not entered the twelfth grade and is at least 13 years old but not older than 19, although the Secretary may waive the age requirement if the applicant demonstrates that the limitation would defeat the purposes of the Upward Bound program. However, a veteran as defined

in § 645.6, regardless of age, is eligible to participate in an Upward Bound project if he or she satisfies the eligibility requirements in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of this section.

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§ 645.4 What are the grantee requirements with respect to low income and first-generation participants?

(a) At least two-thirds of the eligible participants a grantee serves must at the time of initial selection qualify as both low-income individuals and potential first-generation college students. The remaining participants must at the time of initial selection qualify as either low-income individuals or potential first generation college students.

(b) For purposes of documenting a participant's low-income status the following applies:

- (1) In the case of a student who is not an independent student, an institution shall document that the student is a low-income individual by obtaining and maintaining—
 - (i) A signed statement from the student's parent or legal guardian regarding family income;
 - (ii) Verification of family income from another governmental source;
 - (iii) A signed financial aid application; or
 - (iv) A signed United States or Puerto Rican income tax return.
- (2) In the case of a student who is an independent student, an institution shall document that the student is a low-income individual by obtaining and maintaining—
 - (i) A signed statement from the student regarding family income;
 - (ii) Verification of family income from another governmental source;
 - (iii) A signed financial aid application; or
 - (iv) A signed United States or Puerto Rican income tax return.

(c) For purposes of documenting potential first generation college student status, documentation consists of a signed statement from a dependent participant's parent, or a signed statement from an independent participant.