UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

Amendment and Compilation of Chapter 20-8
Hawaii Administrative Rules

(September 7, 2001)

SUMMARY

1. §20-8-6 is amended.
2. Chapter 8 is compiled.
§20-8-1 Statement of purpose. The purpose of these rules is to provide guidelines and procedures for the administration of the Student Loan Assistance Program in conformance with the guidelines set forth in the Hawaii Revised Statutes, chapter 304, Part IV. [Eff 6/22/81; am and comp 5/9/98; comp \textsc{dec} 19, 2002] (Auth: HRS §§304-4, 304-91, 304-95) (Imp: HRS §§304-91, 304-95)

§20-8-2 Definitions. As used in this chapter:
   "Board" means the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii.
   "Borrower" means a student who receives a loan under the State Loan Assistance Program established under Hawaii Revised Statutes, chapter 304, Part IV, and this chapter.
   "Degree" means an associate, baccalaureate, masters, doctoral, or certificate program approved by the Board of Regents and requiring not less than one academic year for completion.
   "Financial aid office" means the primary University office which administers the student financial aid for the University campus.
   "Financial need" means the student's education and
maintenance expenses exceed the student's ability to pay for those expenses.

"Grace period" means the nine consecutive months following the termination of the student's enrollment on at least a half-time basis.

"President" means the president of the University of Hawaii and shall include the president's authorized designees.

"State Higher Education Loan Fund" means the revolving fund established by Hawaii Revised Statutes, section 304-91.

"Student" means a person who is enrolled at the University with at least a half-time course load as determined by the University according to its own standards and practices.

"Student Loan Assistance Program" means the financial aid program established under Hawaii Revised Statutes, chapter 304, Part IV, for students of the University of Hawaii, including its community colleges.

"University" means the several institutions, collectively or individually, which fall under the jurisdiction of the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii.

Words of the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter, and when the sense so indicates, words of the neuter gender may refer to any gender. Words in the singular number include the plural and words in the plural number include the singular. [Eff 3/12/84; am and comp 5/9/98; comp ] (Auth: HRS §§304-4, 304-91, 304-95) (Imp: HRS §§304-91, 304-95)

§20-8-3 Delegation of authority. The Board of Regents delegates its authority to administer and manage the Student Loan Assistance Program and the State Higher Education Loan Fund at the University, in accordance with the guidelines established under Hawaii Revised Statutes, chapter 304, Part IV, and this chapter, to the President and the President's authorized designees. [Eff 6/22/81; comp 5/9/98; comp ] (Auth: HRS §§304-4, 304-91, 304-95) (Imp: HRS §§304-91, 304-95)

§20-8-4 Eligibility. (a) To be eligible for a loan under this chapter, the applicant shall be a student and:
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(1) Be registered in a program at the University which culminates in the award of a degree;
(2) Provide evidence of financial need by completing and submitting forms provided by the financial aid office;
(3) Not be under suspension from the University for disciplinary reasons;
(4) Be a resident of the State of Hawaii for tuition purposes as defined in chapter 20-4; and
(5) Be willing to repay the loan. Failure to meet payment obligations on any previous student loan is evidence that the student is unwilling to repay the loan.

(b) In any period of enrollment during which a student drops below half-time status, the financial aid office shall review the student's eligibility and make any necessary adjustment to the loan award. [Eff 3/12/84; am and comp 5/9/98; comp 10/26/2000]


§20-8-5 Amount of loan. Financial need for each prospective borrower shall be computed by the financial aid office using its standard formula, but the aggregate loan amount for each student shall not exceed those amounts established for the Federal Perkins Loan Program authorized under Title IV, Part E, of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. [Eff 3/12/84; am and comp 5/9/98; comp 10/26/2000]


§20-8-6 Repayment of the loan. (a) Each loan shall be evidenced by an executed promissory note which shall set forth the terms and conditions of the loan. Repayment of principal and interest shall commence after the grace period. Repayment of principal and interest shall be made in equal quarterly or monthly installments within a ten-year period as determined by the University. A payment plan of not less than $45 a quarter or $15 a month shall be required on all loans.

(b) Interest. The rate of interest payable on the loan shall be five per cent simple interest.

(c) Prior to the termination of the borrower's
half-time enrollment, the borrower shall be responsible for reporting any change in name, address, telephone number or social security number to the financial aid office. After the termination of the borrower's half-time enrollment, the borrower shall be responsible for reporting any change in name, address, phone number or social security number to the University office which handles the loan collection.

(d) Exit interview. Immediately prior to the termination of the borrower's half-time enrollment at a campus, the borrower shall be responsible for scheduling and attending an exit interview with the financial aid office. The purpose of the exit interview is to schedule repayments and explain the borrower's rights and responsibilities under the loan. If the borrower fails to schedule and attend an exit interview, the financial aid office shall provide the borrower with the exit interview information either in person or by mail.

(e) Collection costs. The University may charge late fees which do not exceed twenty percent of the installment payment due and all other reasonable costs for the collection of the loan. Any payment received shall be applied in the following order:

1. Collection costs;
2. Late fees;
3. Accrued interest; and
4. Principal.

(f) The University may demand the immediate repayment of the entire loan, including any accrued interest, late fees, and collection costs, if the borrower fails to make a scheduled repayment or fails to file a deferment on time.

(g) The borrower may prepay all or any part of the loan at any time without penalty.

(h) Deferment. To qualify for a deferment on the loan, the borrower shall submit a written request for deferment. The written request shall include all documentation required by the university and shall be submitted no later than the date the University establishes. Interest shall not accrue and installments need not be paid during any period:

1. During which the borrower is enrolled at least half-time in a regular semester at an institution of higher education or at a comparable institution outside the United States approved for this purpose by the
University;

(2) Not in excess of three years during which the borrower is a member of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines or Coast Guard;

(3) Not in excess of three years in which the borrower serves as a volunteer under the Peace Corps Act;

(4) Not in excess of three years during which the borrower is a volunteer under the Domestic Volunteer Act of 1973; or

(5) During any other period granted by the University for good cause shown.

(i) Any deferment period granted by the University shall not be included in determining the ten-year repayment period.

(j) Cancellation of loan upon death or permanent disability of a borrower. If the borrower becomes permanently and totally disabled after receiving the loan, the unpaid balance of the loan shall be canceled upon receipt of a written request for cancellation and any documentation required by the University to demonstrate that the borrower meets the conditions for cancellation. If the borrower dies, the unpaid balance shall be canceled upon the submission of a death certificate or other official proof of death. [Eff 3/12/84; am and comp 5/9/98; am and comp ] (Auth: HRS §§304-4, 304-91, 304-95) (Imp: HRS §§20-91, 304-93, 304-94, 304-95)

§20-8-7 Allocation of loans. Allocation of loans among student applicants shall be determined by the University on the basis of the students' academic promise, deportment, and financial need. [Eff 6/22/81; am and comp 5/9/98; comp ] (Auth: HRS §§304-4, 304-91, 304-95) (Imp: HRS §§304-91, 304-95)

§20-8-8 Capacity of minors. For the purpose of applying for, receiving, and repaying the loan under this chapter, any qualified student regardless of whether the student is less than eighteen years of age, shall be deemed to have full legal capacity to act and shall have all rights, powers and privileges and obligations of an adult. [Eff and comp 5/9/98; comp ] (Auth: HRS §§304-4, 304-91, 304-94,
§20-8-9 State higher education loan fund. The State Higher Education Loan Fund is a revolving fund administered by the President on behalf of the Board of Regents. All interest and payments received on account of principal in the loan fund shall be credited to the loan fund. All payments collected, exclusive of the collection agency's commissions, shall revert and be credited to the loan fund. The loan fund shall be disbursed to needy students in accordance with the guidelines established in this chapter. [Eff and comp 5/9/98; comp DEC 19 2002] (Auth: HRS §§304-4, 304-91, 304-94, 304-95) (Imp: HRS §§304-91, 304-93, 304-94, 304-95)
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Amendments to and compilation of chapter 8, title 20, Hawaii Administrative Rules, on the Summary Page dated September 7, 2001 were adopted on following a public hearing held on after public notice was given in the

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