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SUBJECT: 2023-24 Financial Aid Allocations

The 2023-25 Biennial Budget recommendations provide no increases in funding for the Lawton Undergraduate Minority Retention Grant (Lawton), the Advanced Opportunity Program (AOP) or other UW financial aid programs during the biennium. Therefore, aggregate funding for these programs will be unchanged. The 2023-24 institutional allocations for the Lawton, AOP and Tuition Assistance (TAG) programs are included in the table on the following page. While the funding for these programs are part of UW's block grant appropriation, the Lawton, AOP and TAG programs continue to operate as separate programs.

This letter also includes an amount to be used to provide general need-based financial aid to Wisconsin resident students. This funding was previously provided through funds 107 and 173, but is now part of each institution's base funding.

Please note that both increasing the proportion of bachelor's degree recipients who study abroad and reducing the achievement gap among underrepresented minorities, lower income students and for all races/ethnicities are important accountability measures for institutions and the entire UW System. Financial aid provided to students through programs such as the Lawton, AOP, as well as through other financial aid programs and awards, is an important tool for helping institutions improve on these measures.

In addition, if any of these funds are used to make grants for study abroad, institutions should continue to comply with the existing statutory program requirements (section 36.36, Wis. Stats.): the program should provide grants up to $2,000 to degree-seeking undergraduates with financial need who were enrolled full-time in the semester preceding the student's study abroad.

Finally, due to its statutory tie to the Wisconsin Grant program, unspent TAG program funds will continue to be reallocated through the Unspent Financial Aid Survey process.

The 2023-24 institutional financial aid allocations are as follows:

Institutions	Lawton	AOP	TAG	General Need-Based Financial Aid
UW-Madison	$1,318,247	$4,693,070	$1,015,864	$484,816
UW-Milwaukee	$2,099,309	$1,805,733	$1,474,605	$477,974
UW-Milwaukee at Washington County	$10,358	$0	$908	$1,893
UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha	$47,786	$0	$1,840	$4,138
UW-Eau Claire	$257,058	$80,340	$359,308	$219,933
UW-Eau Claire - Barron County	$6,591	$0	$20,328	$1,076
UW-Green Bay	$437,376	$144,683	$443,645	$55,406
UW-Green Bay, Manitowoc Campus	$12,947	$0	$23,216	$865
UW-Green Bay, Marinette Campus	$4,237	$0	$9,909	$657
UW-Green Bay, Sheboygan Campus	$27,542	$0	$31,171	$1,287
UW-La Crosse	$300,137	$152,920	$323,635	$132,144
UW-Oshkosh	$493,636	$209,265	$461,247	$81,146
UW-Oshkosh, Fond du Lac Campus	$9,887	$0	$21,089	$1,488
UW-Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus	$24,011	$0	$37,370	$3,302
UW-Parkside	$396,416	$282,741	$271,813	$63,616
UW-Platteville	$153,481	$115,854	$252,685	$62,428
UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County	$5,885	$0	$14,075	$1,147
UW-River Falls	$63,323	$71,446	$156,114	$101,659
UW-Stevens Point	$243,405	$87,383	$481,046	$244,499
UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield	$3,060	$0	$13,069	$994
UW-Stevens Point at Wausau	$18,597	$0	$33,933	$1,896
UW-Stout	$192,558	$177,690	$288,271	$191,078
UW-Superior	$50,376	$48,287	$115,937	$33,626
UW-Whitewater	$544,954	$453,388	$508,330	$141,409
UW-Whitewater at Rock County	$36,723	$0	$53,703	$2,305
TOTAL UW System	$6,757,900	$8,322,800	$6,413,110	$2,310,782

Lawton Undergraduate Minority Retention Grant (fund 406) funding is based on each institution's proportion of a three-year rolling average of Wisconsin resident undergraduates from eligible populations who are registered full-time. The 2023-24 amounts will be allocated to the receiving institutions in total. Amounts are shown broken out by institution for reference.

Advanced Opportunity Program (fund 403) funding is based on each institution's proportion of a three-year rolling average headcount (fall 2020, 2021, 2022) of graduate and professional minority (African-American, Hispanic, Native American and Southeast Asian) students, with part-time students weighted 0.35.

Tuition Assistance Grant will be allocated to institutions as part of the annual budget process starting with fiscal year 2023-24. These funds have previously been transferred to campuses from UW System Administration each year. A redistribution will be completed annually like AOP and Lawton funding. As with prior years, the allocation amount is based on the proportion of Pell Grants (dollars) for Wisconsin resident undergraduate students with EFCs below $5,502 (the Wisconsin Grant maximum) at each UW institution. FY 2021-22 is used to calculate the 2023-24 allocation. These funds are allocated on funds 101-103 and should tracked discretely and used for financial aid only.

General Need-Based Financial Aid funding remains unchanged. Financial aid funds previously provided through funds 107 and 173 are now rolled together as one general amount that institutions should use for need-based financial aid, including grants for study abroad. The funding level is based on 2011-12 amounts (when programs were merged into a block grant) and should be considered a minimum balance. Institutions will be reminded each year of the total amount that was originally provided for these programs, which is now part of their base funding and available to provide general need-based financial aid to Wisconsin resident students. The 2023-24 amounts will be allocated to the receiving institutions in total. Amounts are shown broken out by institution for reference.

Please contact me at mkrall@uwsa.edu if you have any questions regarding the allocations or use of these funds.

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