

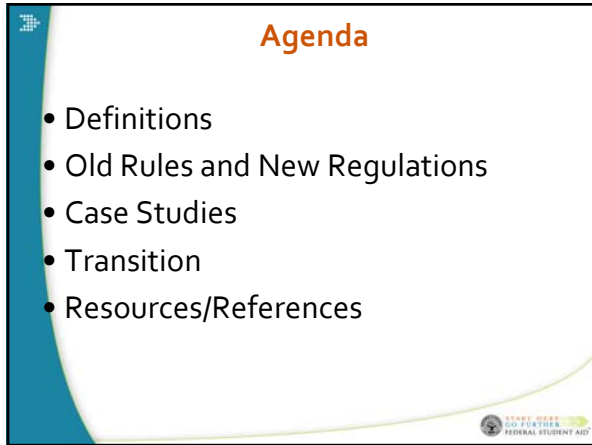
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R2T4 in Modular Programs

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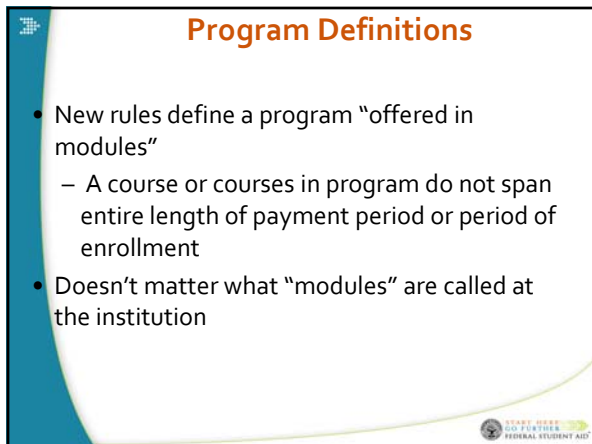
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Agenda

- Definitions
- Old Rules and New Regulations
- Case Studies
- Transition
- Resources/References

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Program Definitions

- New rules define a program "offered in modules"
 - A course or courses in program do not span entire length of payment period or period of enrollment
- Doesn't matter what "modules" are called at the institution

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Credit Hour Programs Offered in Modules


- Standard term program "offered in modules"
 - Two 8-week sessions within a 16 week semester
 - Three 5-week sessions within a 15 week semester
 - Two 6-week sessions within a 12 week quarter
 - Winter "inter-session" or "J term" between fall and spring semesters



Withdrawing from Term-Based Programs with Modules/Compressed Courses

OLD RULE

If enrolled in mini-terms within a term, if a student completes at least one course, student NOT considered to be withdrawn for TIV purposes (no R2T4)




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Programs with Modules

New Regs

- Student considered to be withdrawn if:
 - For credit hours, did not complete *all the days* in the payment period or period of enrollment student was *scheduled* to complete
 - EVEN IF COMPLETED A COURSE

GEN-11-14 provides a series of Q & As and examples in reference to the new R2T4 regs




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Programs with Modules
New Regs

- For a payment period or period of enrollment where courses are offered in modules –
 - A student is NOT considered to have withdrawn if obtain timely positive written confirmation (can be electronic) from student *at the time that would have been a withdrawal* that will attend a later module in same PP/PE
 - If nonterm or nonstandard, next module must start within 45 calendar days after the end of module the student ceased attending (unless on approved LOA)


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Programs with Modules
New Regs


- If obtained written confirmation for future attendance:
 - Student *may change date* of return to a later module in the same PP or PE as long as –
 - Provided in writing *prior* to the original return date
 - If nonterm or nonstandard, the later module cannot begin later than 45 days after end of the module ceased attending
 - If a student does not receive a passing grade in the course(s) in the last module, school must demonstrate student completed module

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Is Student A Withdrawal?

1. Did the student cease to attend before completing or fail to begin attendance in a course scheduled to attend?
 - If yes, go to question 2.
 - If no, student not a withdrawal
2. When ceased to attend or failed to begin attendance in a scheduled course, was the student attending other courses?
 - If yes, student not a withdrawal
 - If no, go to question 3
3. Did the student confirm attendance in a later module in the payment/enrollment period (45 day rule, if applicable)?
 - If no, student is a withdrawal.
 - If not a withdrawal, Pell recalculations may apply




Programs with Modules New Regs

- If student does not return as scheduled –
 - Considered withdrawn
 - *Withdrawal date and total number of calendar days* are those that would have applied if written confirmation not provided
 - Courses officially dropped *prior* to ceasing attendance are NOT days student scheduled to attend unless still enrolled in other courses on those days
 - Total number of days in a PP or PE in which courses are offered in modules - do NOT include scheduled breaks of at least 5 days when the student is not scheduled to attend a module or course during that period

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Programs with Modules New Regs (undo R2T4)

- If student withdraws from term-based credit-hour program offered in modules during a PP/PE and
 - *Reenters the same program prior to the end of the period* (did not confirm but comes back)
 - Student is eligible to receive any Title IV funds for which he or she was eligible prior to withdrawal, including funds that were returned by the institution or student (*with no adjustment required for partial attendance of a prior module*)
 - However, Pell recalculations required if did not start all classes (did not attend an entire prior module)


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R2T4 Modular Programs-Credit Hour 16 WK Semester Example

Enrolled Example Part 1

Module A 4 weeks	Module B 4 weeks	Module C 4 weeks No Enrollment	Module D 4 weeks
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Actual Attendance	R2T4 Calc required?
<div style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Module A 4 weeks</div> <div style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Module B 4 weeks Withdraw</div> <div style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Module C 4 weeks No Enrollment</div> <div style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Module D 4 weeks Registered but no attendance</div>	

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R2T4 Modular Programs-Credit Hour 16 WK Semester Example

Enrolled Example Part 2

Module A 4 weeks	Module B 4 weeks	Module C 4 weeks No Enrollment	Module D 4 weeks
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Actual Attendance

Module A 4 weeks	Module B 4 weeks	Module C 4 weeks No Enrollment	Module D 4 weeks Confirmed & Completes Module D
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R2T4 Calc required?

Provides written Confirmation

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R2T4 Modular Programs-Credit Hour 16 WK Semester Example

Enrolled Example Part 3

Module A 4 weeks	Module B 4 weeks	Module C 4 weeks No Enrollment	Module D 4 weeks
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Actual Attendance

Module A 4 weeks	Module B 4 weeks	Module C 4 weeks No Enrollment	Module D 4 weeks Does not show up
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R2T4 Calc required? At what point? Which Module?

Provides written Confirmation

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R2T4 Modular Programs-Credit Hour 16 WK Semester Example

Enrolled Example Part 4

Module A 4 weeks	Module B 4 weeks	Module C 4 weeks No Enrollment	Module D 4 weeks
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Actual Attendance

Module A 4 weeks	Module B 4 weeks	Module C 4 weeks No Enrollment	Module D 4 weeks Withdraws after beginning Mod D
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R2T4 Calc required? At what point? Which Module?


Provides written Confirmation

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Transition Timeframe


- Electronic Announcement 5/6/11:
 - New R2T4 rules apply to students who withdraw from payment periods (terms) or periods of enrollment that BEGIN ON OR AFTER July 1, 2011.
 - The new rules do NOT apply to students who withdraw from a 2011 crossover payment period
 - Even if the student received Title IV, HEA program funds from the 2011-2012 award year for that crossover payment period.

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Resources/References

- FSA Handbook, Vol. 5, Chapter 2
- 34 CFR 668.22
- Dear Colleague Letters - GEN-04-03; GEN-11-14
- R2T4 Demo Site available at
– <http://fafsademo.test.ed.gov>
- 10/29/10 Federal Register
 - Final – Program Integrity



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