

## **Hardship Policy – TEXAS Grant**

### **Hardship Provisions**

The institution will determine if the student qualifies for further funding under the hardship provision. In the event of a hardship or for other good cause as determined by the institution, an otherwise eligible student may be allowed to receive a renewal award while the student does not meet qualifications for any of the following;

- If the student is enrolled in less than 9 SCHs (but at least 6 SCHs)
- If the student's GPA falls below SAP requirements
- If the student's completion rate falls below SAP requirements
- If the student's number of completed hours falls below SAP requirements
- If the student requires an extension of the year limits to complete their degree
- If the student receives a grant after attempting more than 150 hours
  - However, the total number of hours paid for, at least in part, with TEXAS Grant funds may not exceed 150 semester credit hours or the equivalent.

Such conditions may include, but are not limited to:

- A severe illness or other debilitating condition that may affect the student's performance.
- An indication that the student is responsible for the care of a sick, injured, or needy person and the provision of care is affecting the student's performance.
- Fewer than nine hours to complete the student's degree plan.

The student will complete the university's TEXAS Grant Hardship Appeal Form and return it to the university no later than February 1<sup>st</sup>, of the current school year. No forms returned after February 1<sup>st</sup> will be considered.

The appeal process does not guarantee that the appeal will be approved. The program coordinator will review all statements of appeal, supporting documentation and academic records. All appeal decisions are final and 2<sup>nd</sup> or additional appeals, for the same academic year, will not be reviewed.

Awards will always depend on available funding, at the time of eligibility. Funding cannot be guaranteed, even if an appeal is approved.

