



NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF

**HIGHER
EDUCATION**

Academic Year 2026-2027 **EOF Graduate Grant Training**

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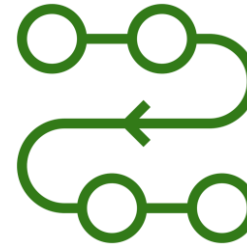
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EOF Mission and Purpose & EOF Graduate Grant Overview

NJ Educational Opportunity Fund



New Jersey Educational
Opportunity Fund created by
law in **1968**



**For students from educationally and
economically disadvantaged backgrounds**
attending institutions of higher education in
NJ

EOF Provides



Student support services

*UG summer bridge program, advising/counseling,
tutoring, developmental coursework, academic
enrichment activities, student leadership development*



**Financial
Assistance**

EOF Graduate Grant Overview

The overall objective of the graduate EOF program is to increase the participation of New Jersey residents from backgrounds of historical poverty in graduate and professional study.

LOOKING **BACK**

**AY2025-2026 EOF Graduate Grant
(as of June 2026):**

Allocation: **\$1,363,261**

Grant Requests: **\$1,228,025**

Number of Students Supported: **399**

LOOKING **AHEAD**

AY2026-2027 EOF Graduate Grant:

Allocation: **\$1,228,025**

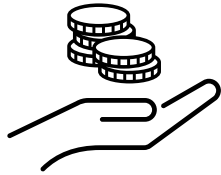
EOF Graduate **Student Recruitment & Admission**

N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.2

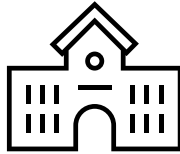
Pop Quiz!

True or false: EOF Central Office facilitates admission into the EOF program.

EOF Graduate Recruitment



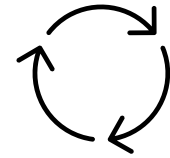
EOF is **not** an entitlement grant



Recruitment and admission into EOF is facilitated **by the EOF campus program**



EOF Campus programs are responsible for developing an action plan to recruit and admit eligible students for participation in EOF.



Outreach and recruitment is a year-round endeavor.

EOF Graduate Admission

All applicants have the right to appeal their admission decision if they believe there was a misapplication of the EOF regulations as it pertains to their eligibility for the Fund (N.J.A.C. 9A:11-6.7)

“...if a student was classified as a dependent student while completing their bachelor’s degree, the ability to now be considered as an independent student does not preclude them from their need to include their family’s financial background information for EOF graduate financial eligibility consideration. **Priority in granting EOF graduate grants shall be given to students who received EOF undergraduate grants and graduated from an institution that participated within EOF.**” (N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.1)

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EOF Graduate **Student Eligibility**

N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.2

Student Eligibility (9A:11-3.2) (Part 1)

(a) Eligible students shall have economic backgrounds that reflect a history of poverty as described in N.J.A.C. 9A:11-2.2(b)1 through 5.

(b) Students who received Article III EOF grants as undergraduates and graduated from an institution that participated within EOF shall be given priority consideration for Article III graduate grants. Students who received EOF grants during the immediate prior academic year are presumed to have met the historical poverty criteria (as outlined at N.J.A.C. 9A:11-2.3) for graduate EOF, as long as they continue to demonstrate financial and academic eligibility. Students who did not receive an EOF undergraduate grant the prior academic year or who were financially ineligible to receive an EOF undergraduate grant but were eligible to receive EOF program support services should not be presumed to have met the historical poverty criteria.

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Student Eligibility (9A:11-3.2) (Part 2)

(c) To be initially eligible for an EOF Article III graduate student grant, a student must demonstrate that they:

1. Meet N.J.A.C. 9A:9-2.2 and 2.3, which are the Tuition Aid Grant and Garden State Scholarship **programs' rules governing residency**, and noncitizens and resident aliens, respectively;

2. **Meet the financial criteria** established in N.J.A.C. 9A:11-2.3, "Financial eligibility for initial Article III student grants";

3. **Is or will be a full-time graduate student** as defined by the institution offering the graduate program of study; and

4. **Is admitted to and enrolled full-time as defined by the participating institution in a curriculum leading to a graduate degree or certificate at an institution participating in the Fund**, provided that the student has not already received a graduate or professional degree at the same level of study for which he or she is applying. Graduate degree and certificate programs must have a minimum requirement equivalent to 24 semester hours and be at least one academic year in duration.

Student Eligibility (9A:11-3.2) (Part 3)

(d) **Students shall not receive assistance under the programs administered by the Board if they owe a refund on a grant or scholarship previously received from a State or Federal program** through any institution or are in default on any loan made under any State or Federal student financial assistance program at any institution. However, such students may receive State financial assistance if they make satisfactory repayment arrangements with the appropriate office.

(e) Students attending **out-of-State institutions are not eligible** for Article III graduate grants.

(f) Students **shall not receive an initial graduate grant in their last semester of enrollment.**

Dependent students who failed to meet the financial criteria while in undergrad do not automatically gain the ability to become financially eligible for EOF once they have graduated with their bachelor's degree. Since most graduate students can be classified as an independent student, **the applicant must demonstrate a family history of historical poverty.**

Pop Quiz!

True or false: Students do not need to live in New Jersey to be eligible for EOF.

Student Eligibility Residency Requirement

Students must be legal residents of New Jersey for a period of not less than 12 consecutive months immediately prior to the academic period for which aid is being requested. The residence of a student is defined in terms of domicile. (9A:2.2: Residency)

Domicile is defined as the place where a person has **his or her true, fixed, permanent home** and principal establishment, and to which, whenever her or she is absent, he or she has the intention of returning

A student may not establish State residence solely for the purposes of attending a **particular college** and will not be considered as fulfilling the definition of domicile for the purposes of State student financial aid

Institutions that certify a student's state of legal residence shall maintain documentation concerning **the student's New Jersey residency** and shall provide this certified documentation, if requested by the EOF Central Office

History of Poverty Verification

- “**To be eligible for a EOF graduate grant, a student must demonstrate a history of poverty**, which generally includes documented, long-term economic hardship of the family, such as the accumulation of assets that do not exceed 20 percent of the EOF income eligibility scale per household size as established in N.J.A.C. 9A:11-2.3(a)1.” - N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.2(a)
- “Students who received Article III EOF grants as undergraduates **and graduated from an institution that participated within EOF shall be given priority consideration** for Article III graduate grants.” - N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.2(b)
- “**Students who received EOF grants during the immediate prior academic year are presumed to have met the historical poverty criteria (as outlined at N.J.A.C. 9A:11-2.3) for graduate EOF, as long as they continue to demonstrate financial and academic eligibility. Students who did not receive an EOF undergraduate grant the prior academic year or who were financially ineligible to receive an EOF undergraduate grant but were eligible to receive EOF program support services should not be presumed to have met the historical poverty criteria.**” - N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.2(b)

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Verification of Financial Eligibility

N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.3

EOF Graduate Student Eligibility

- Must demonstrate an economically disadvantaged background
- Must be a New Jersey resident 12 consecutive months prior to receiving the award
- Must apply and be accepted to a participating New Jersey college or university
- Must meet the academic criteria as set by the institution of choice
- Must file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application
- Gross Income and Assets must fall within the EOF financial eligibility range

2026-2027 EOF Income Eligibility Scale with Asset Cap Calculation

Applicants with a Household Size of	Gross Income (Not to Exceed)	Max. Asset Cap (Not to Exceed)
1	\$31,300	\$6,260
2	\$42,300	\$8,460
3	\$53,300	\$10,660
4	\$64,300	\$12,860
5	\$75,300	\$15,060
6	\$86,300	\$17,260
7	\$97,300	\$19,460
8	\$108,300	\$21,660
***	Add \$11,000 for each additional family member	Add \$2,200 for each additional family member

Economically Disadvantaged Background

“The institution shall verify, at the time of initial graduate enrollment, the income and assets of all graduate EOF grant applicants’ to ensure that the student comes from a background of historical poverty, **which generally includes documented, long-term economic hardship of the family, such as the accumulation of assets that do not exceed 20 percent of the EOF income eligibility scale per household size as established in N.J.A.C. 9A:11-2.3(a)1.**”

- N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.3(a)

For students who did not complete their bachelor’s degree at a New Jersey college or university, the institution will need to collect **two or more years of the student’s family’s financial information to verify student eligibility.** If a student has a gap of enrollment of **three or more years from the time they earned their bachelor’s degree to their enrollment within graduate school,** then the institution will not be required to review the student’s parental information and may solely review the student’s financial information for EOF eligibility determination.

- N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.3(a)

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Verification of Income and Assets

If earnings are not the source of an initial awardee's income as described above, the file shall contain appropriate verified documentation on which to base the award (for example, statements from the public assistance agency, Social Security Administration, Division of Child Protection and Permanency, Veterans Administration, or other appropriate administrative agency), regardless of the awardee's dependency status.

In all cases, files must contain completed forms indicating the relevant data for determining initial eligibility, such as household size, annual income, and sources of income and assets

Duration of Student Eligibility

N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.5, p.20-21

Pop Quiz!

Generally, what is the maximum number of semesters a student can be eligible for an Article III graduate grant?

- a. 8
- b. 12
- c. 14
- d. 10

Duration of EOF Graduate Grant Eligibility (Part 1)

(a) To retain eligibility for an Article III graduate grant, students shall comply with the Tuition Aid Grant and Garden State Scholarship programs' rule at N.J.A.C. 9A:9-2.4, Eligibility and repayments, in accordance with the Board's annually established deadline dates.

(b) **No student shall be eligible for an Article III graduate grant for more than 12 semesters**; however:

1. Duration of eligibility shall be extended to one semester beyond the normal number of semesters usually required for a full-time student to complete the degree requirements.

Degree Requirement	Credits for Full-time Status	Length of Eligibility
36 credits	9 credits	$(36 \text{ cr}/9 \text{ cr}) = 4 + 1 = 5$ semesters
84 credits	12 credits	$(84 \text{ cr}/12 \text{ cr}) = 7 + 1 = 8$ semesters

2. Students pursuing a medical or dental degree shall be extended to one year beyond the normal number of years usually required for a full-time student to complete the degree requirements.

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Duration of EOF Graduate Grant Eligibility (Part 2)

(c) Graduate grant recipients may pursue more than one advanced degree; however:

1. **Each degree must be a higher level than the previous** one unless the grant recipient is enrolled in a dual degree program; and
2. In no case shall the combined **eligibility exceed the equivalent of 12 semesters.**

(d) An Article III graduate grant shall not be awarded for summer program study except in those programs that, by their nature, require specific course(s) to be taken during the summer.

1. Exceptions are possible in cases where the program of study requires a mandatory sequence of courses for more than two terms in an academic year.
2. To qualify for an exception, the institution shall submit a written request to the EOF Executive Director.

(e) **Students in their last semester of study to complete degree requirements may enroll for less than full-time status and still receive the maximum Article III graduate grant** for which they would be eligible as a full-time student.

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Graduate Grant Award Amounts

N.J.A.C. 9A:11-3.4

Grant Amounts (9A:11-3.4)

The dollar amount of each Article III graduate grant shall be based on three factors

1

Full-time enrollment (as defined by the institution offering the graduate program of study)

2

Financial need of the student as determined by a needs analysis

3

Type of institution the student attends

An EOF graduate grant awardee shall receive not less than the minimum (\$100) nor more than the maximum semester award for the academic year

Per 9A:11-3.4(c): “Under no circumstances shall the grant when combined with other aid exceed the cost of attendance as determined by the institution.”

EOF Graduate Grant Award Table

The academic year award ranges for EOF Article III graduate grants are as follows:

	<u>Semester Minimum</u>	<u>Semester Maximum</u>	<u>Academic Year Maximum</u>
State Colleges & Universities	\$100	\$1,425	\$2,850
Independent	\$100	\$1,700	\$3,400
Public Research Universities	\$100	\$1,700	\$3,400
Biomedical & Health Science Schools	\$100	\$2,450	\$4,900

EOF Graduate Grants and NJFAMS

EOF Graduate Grant Application & NJFAMS

- Beginning in AY2026-2027, **EOF programs will no longer submit applications for EOF Graduate Grant consideration to the EOF Central Office for review.**
- **The EOF Graduate Grant Application will be still be available on the EOF Campus Resources website for programs to use** as part of the program's institutional EOF Graduate Grant Application process.
- On the EOF Campus Resources website, you will find the following:
 - Graduate Grant Application – *For Reference Only*
 - EOF Graduate Grant Award Table
- Per section 9A:11-3.3 of the EOF Regulations, **participating institutions are responsible for collecting and verifying the eligibility for all EOF Graduate Grant applicants.** There should be little to no change in how an institution collects and reviews each respective EOF Graduate Grant candidate's application.
- **When using NJFAMS, do not assume that the status icon of "Qualified" = eligible. The ability to use NJFAMS to verify student eligibility is limited.** While most of the students who apply may appear with a "Qualified" status within the system, for many students this status reflects a student's ability to now being classified as an "Independent" student and may not be a true reflection of the student's family background of historical poverty. Institutions may only be able to see the financial history for a student if that student was previously enrolled at your institution. NJFAMS may not contain the financial history for students who attended a different school. This is why programs must continue to collect and verify the appropriate information from their applicants to verify their EOF eligibility. **If the student does not provide you with the required information by your institutional EOF Graduate Application deadline for the term, then you will need to inform them of their inability to be considered.**
- Once an institution has collected and verified a student's financial information and has determined that the student is eligible for EOF Graduate support, **the program will move to award and place the student on it's Graduate EOF roster within the New Jersey Financial Aid Management System (NJFAMS).** It is the responsibility of the institution to properly manage this process.
- **The EOF Graduate Grant coordinator and the financial aid office (FAO) must work together,** along with the EOF Campus Program, to complete the selection, awarding, certification, and payment request process in accordance with the OSHE/EOF Processing Calendar.

NJFAMS and User Access

- All EOF Graduate Grant Coordinators will be granted access to the EOF portal in NJFAMS. They must submit an *NJFAMS EOF Access Form* accessible on the [EOF Campus Resources](#) website under *EOF Forms and Other Reports* **to their EOF Central Office Program Liaison.**
- EOF Graduate Grant Coordinators/EOF Directors should be aware of who has access to the EOF NJFAMS portal for your institutions
- Access may be granted in two forms: 1) View Only or 2) Edit capabilities
- When a staff member who has been granted access to the EOF NJFAMS portal leaves their position/institution, it is the responsibility of the EOF campus program director to inform the OSHE/EOF Central Office of the need to remove the staff member's access.
- An up-to-date list of who has EOF NJFAMS portal access at your institution can be provided at request by the EOF program liaison or the EOF Executive Director

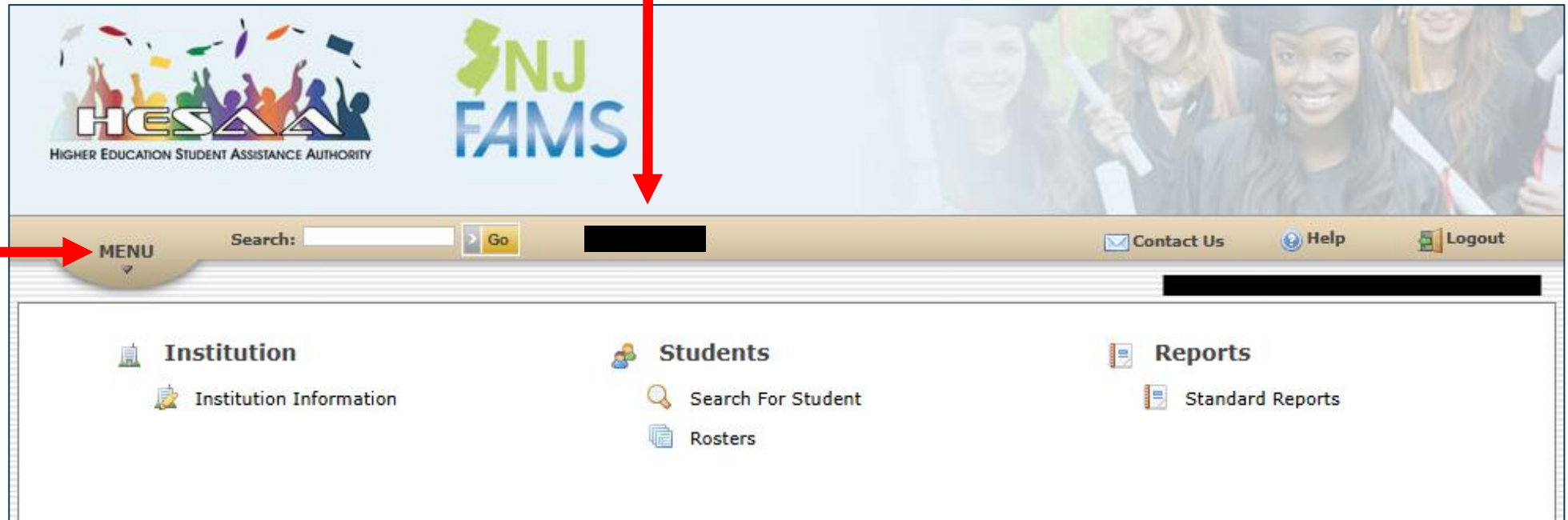
NJFAMS Walkthrough

Navigating the NJFAMS System

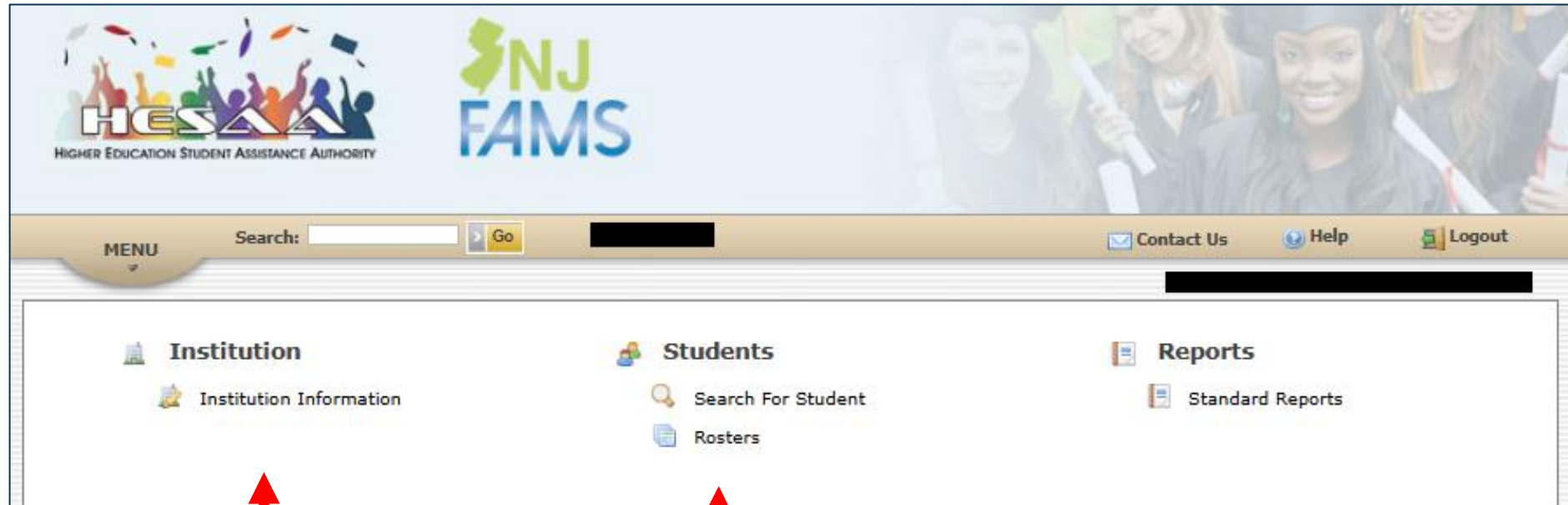
Main Menu – EOF Portal View

- The home screen provides access to all the options available to the user. Access is based on system permissions established for the user
- You can access all the regions via the *Menu* drop down option

Confirm the *Academic Year* you need to work within



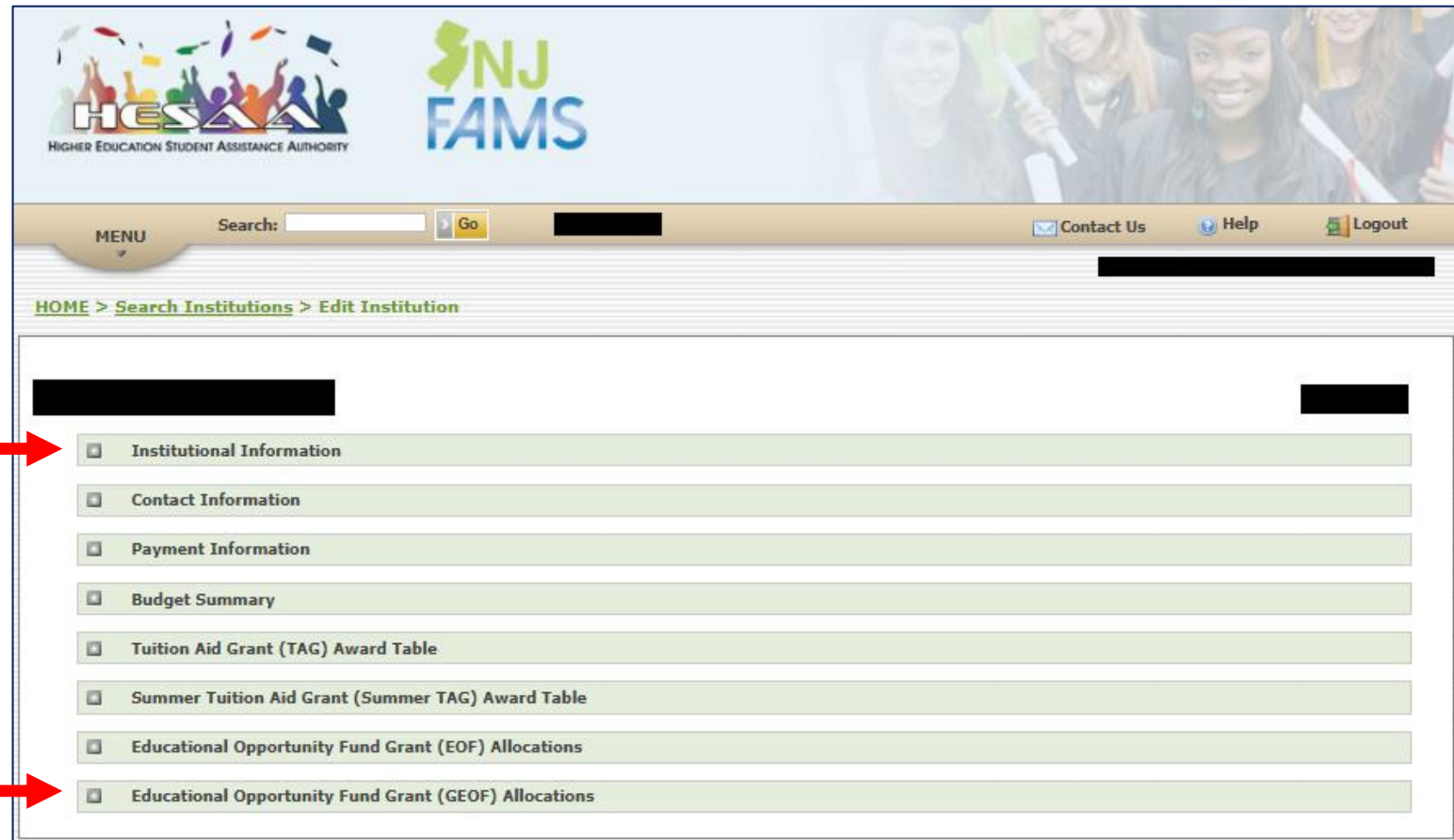
Main Menu – EOF Portal View



Program grad
allocation and
available funds

Locate, award or un-award
students via the rosters. Also,
you can look up each student to
see what is going on with them

Institutional Information and EOF Allocation



The screenshot shows the NJ FAMS (New Jersey Financial Aid Management System) interface. At the top, there are logos for HESAA (Higher Education Student Assistance Authority) and NJ FAMS, along with a banner image of students. Below the logos is a navigation bar with a 'MENU' button, a search bar, and links for 'Contact Us', 'Help', and 'Logout'. The breadcrumb trail reads 'HOME > Search Institutions > Edit Institution'. The main content area displays a list of institutional information items, each with a checkbox and a label. The items are: Institutional Information, Contact Information, Payment Information, Budget Summary, Tuition Aid Grant (TAG) Award Table, Summer Tuition Aid Grant (Summer TAG) Award Table, Educational Opportunity Fund Grant (EOF) Allocations, and Educational Opportunity Fund Grant (GEOF) Allocations. Two red arrows point from text boxes on the left to the 'Institutional Information' and 'Educational Opportunity Fund Grant (EOF) Allocations' items.

Navigation Bar:

- MENU
- Search: Go
- Contact Us
- Help
- Logout

Breadcrumb Trail: HOME > Search Institutions > Edit Institution

Information List:

- ☐ Institutional Information
- ☐ Contact Information
- ☐ Payment Information
- ☐ Budget Summary
- ☐ Tuition Aid Grant (TAG) Award Table
- ☐ Summer Tuition Aid Grant (Summer TAG) Award Table
- ☐ Educational Opportunity Fund Grant (EOF) Allocations
- ☐ Educational Opportunity Fund Grant (GEOF) Allocations

Institutional
Information (updated by
institution)

View program
allocation and available
funds here

EOF Allocation

Amount available to award

Approved ART III allocation
for the Academic Year

Educational Opportunity Fund Grant (EOF) Allocations

EOF

Program Setup

School Program Name: EOF

School Program Code:

School Program Accounting Code:

Fund Management

EOF Approval Available: \$ 27,450

EOF Approved Amount: \$ 578,850

Original Appropriation: \$ 606,300

Supplemental Appropriation: \$

Rescinded Appropriation: \$

Total Appropriation: \$ 606,300

Overaward Percentage: 0 %

Overaward Amount: \$

Overaward Level: \$ 606,300

Total Awarded: \$ 578,850

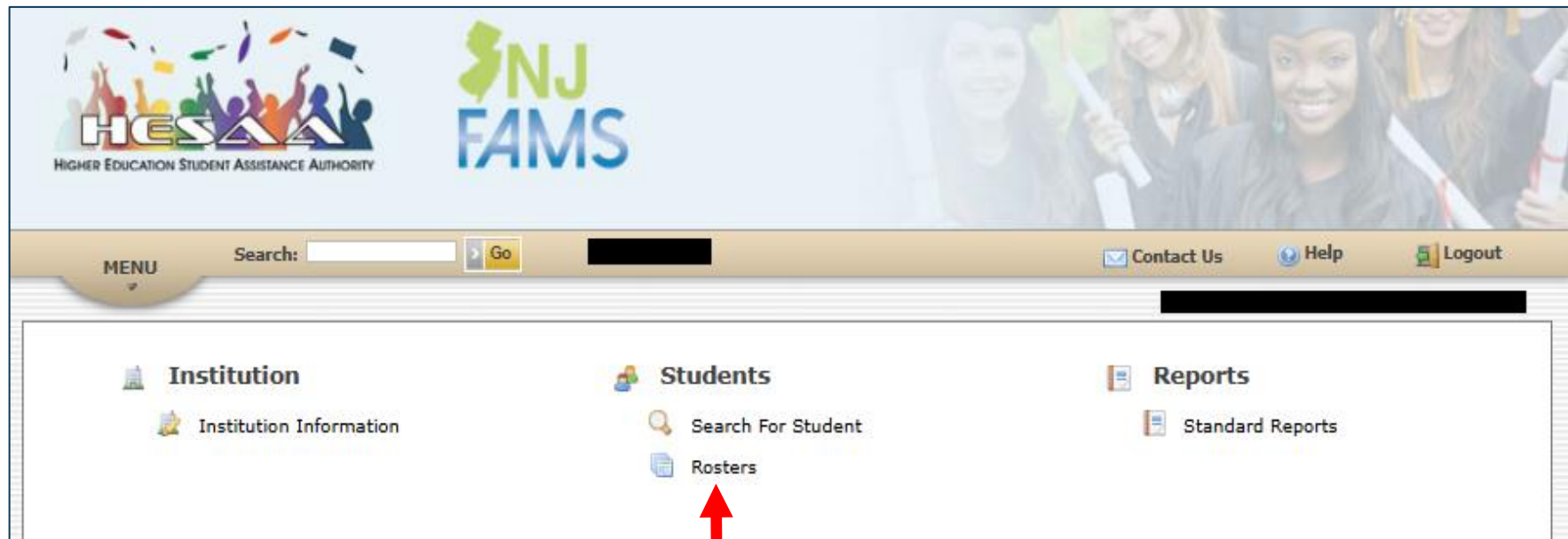
Number of Students Awarded: 217 Full-time: 216 Part-time: 1

Adjusted Appropriation Available: \$ 27,450

Comment:
Preliminary allocation provided per EOF Board approval on 7/31/2025. Subject to change pending fund's available resources and approved FY26 Appropriations Act.

> Save

Search for Students



Click on *Rosters* to access student rosters

Informational Rosters

- 1 The *EOF Approval* roster contains GEOF eligible Initials and Renewals who were not on the program's roster as of the Fall term from the previous Academic Year. **When downloading, filter for GEOF under Program Short Name.**
- 2 The *Approved and Eligible* roster contains Renewal students who appeared on a program's roster during the Fall term of the previous Academic Year & who remain eligible. It is also the roster that will contain any initial students the program has awarded. This is considered your program's GEOF roster. **When downloading, filter for GEOF under Program Short Name.**
- 3 The *Ineligible* roster contains students that were identified by the system as being GEOF ineligible. However, students that are EOF eligible for **discretionary consideration** will appear on this roster. **When downloading, filter for GEOF under Program Short Name.**

You are currently working with the **2025-2026** Academic Year.

There is action you must take for the rosters in the Certification Rosters section. The rosters in the Informational Rosters section are for reference and reporting purposes.

Term:

SSN:

First Name:

Last Name:

Student ID:

EOF Approval Rosters - Action Required

	View and Print (PDF)	Approve Online	Download File (CSV)
1 EOF Approval	PDF	Online	Download

Informational Rosters

	View and Print (PDF)	View Online	Download File (CSV)
2 Approved and Eligible	PDF	Online	Download
State Verification Not Complete or Incomplete TAG Tasks	PDF	Online	Download
Approved, Eligible and Certified	PDF	Online	Download
Certified and Not Paid	PDF	Online	Download
Paid	PDF	Online	Download
Refund Due	PDF	Online	Download
3 Ineligible	PDF	Online	Download
Incomplete	PDF	Online	Download
All Students	PDF	Online	Download

Institutions with Multiple EOF Programs

- Institutions with multiple EOF programs must select “All School Programs” under *School Program* and “All Terms” under *Term*.
- When initially awarding a student, you can either select *EOF Approval* or *All Students* roster located at the bottom.
- Note: when awarding a student, you should include the student’s HESAA ID which will filter the selected roster.

You are currently working with the **2026-2027** Academic Year.

Roster Category: **EOF** ▼

Campus: **ROWAN UNIVERSITY** ▼

School Program: **All School Programs** ▼

Term: **All Terms** ▼

SSN:

First Name:

Last Name:

NJHESAA ID:

EOF Approval Rosters - Action Required

	View and Print (PDF)	Approve Online	Download File (CSV)
 EOF Approval	PDF	Online	Download

Informational Rosters

	View and Print (PDF)	View Online	Download File (CSV)
 Approved and Eligible	PDF	Online	Download

Awarding and Verifying Students

Roster: EOF Approval
Campus: [REDACTED]
Program: All Programs
Academic Year: [REDACTED]
Term: All Terms

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Click "+" to open the student profile in the EOF portal. Students can be awarded in that region.

Click "view" to see more information regarding the student's status.

Awarding and Updating Student Information

(Fall) [\(view\)](#)

TAG Full-time Awards: 0 **TAG Part-time Awards:** 0 **Tax Verification Indicator:** **Dependency Status:** Independent **Grade Level:** Master's or doctorate program (MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, etc.)

EOF Full-time Awards: 0 **EOF Part-time Awards:** 0 **EOF Previous College:** **EOF Term of First Entry:** **EOF Last Funded:**

GEOF Full-time Awards: 0 **GEOF Part-time Awards:** 0 **GEOF Previous College:** **GEOF Term of First Entry:** **GEOF Last Funded:**

Housing Status: <Choose One> **Admission Type:** <Choose One> **Ethnicity:** <Choose One> **Gender:** <Choose One>

School Program: <Choose One> **Discretionary/Special Conditions:** <Choose One> **EOF Enrollment Status:** <Choose One> **EOF Approved:** <Choose One>

Historical Poverty Code: <Choose One>

Status	Certification Codes	Program	EOF Term Amount	Term Award	Term Paid	Annual Award
★		GEOF	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✖		TAG		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

[Save](#)

To approve, select
"Eligible for EOF"
under EOF
Approved

Only save if you
sure the correct
amount is listed

Enter the award
amount under EOF
Term Amount

Select the
appropriate EOF
Enrollment Status

Less Than Full-Time GEOF Graduating Senior

If a student has a history of receiving GEOF, is less than FT in their final semester, and meets all other eligibility requirements, they may be eligible for a FT payment as a PT student.

(Spring) (view)

TAG Full-time Awards:	TAG Part-time Awards:	Tax Verification Indicator:	Dependency Status:	Grade Level:
0	0		Independent	Master's or doctorate program (MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, etc.)
EOF Full-time Awards:	EOF Part-time Awards:	EOF Previous College:	EOF Term of First Entry:	EOF Last Funded:
0	0			
GEOF Full-time Awards:	GEOF Part-time Awards:	GEOF Previous College:	GEOF Term of First Entry:	GEOF Last Funded:
0	0			

Housing Status: <Choose One> School Program: <Choose One> Historical Poverty Code: <Choose One>

Admission Type: <Choose One>

Ethnicity: <Choose One> Gender: <Choose One>

EOF Enrollment Status: <Choose One>

EOF Approved: <Choose One>

Status	Certification Code	Amount	Qual Award
First time EOF			
EOF Renewal			
Non-funded			
Readmit			
Transfer			
Less Than FT Graduating Senior			
10% discretionary			
Less Than FT GEOF Grad			

Save

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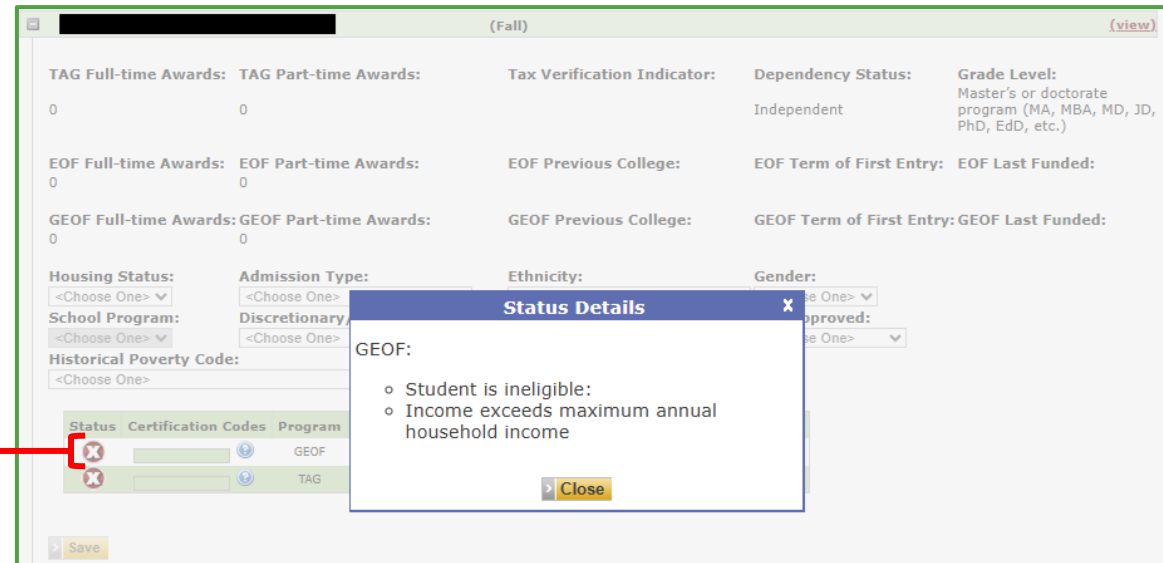
If a student is a less than FT graduating GEOF senior, please be sure to select "GEOF Grad Final Semester PT" under EOF Enrollment Status.

This is a terminal payment; the student MUST be made aware of that.

Ineligibility Reason(s) Review

Check ineligibility reasons by clicking the  icon.

EOF screen



(Fall) (view)

TAG Full-time Awards: TAG Part-time Awards: Tax Verification Indicator: Dependency Status: Grade Level:
0 0 Independent Master's or doctorate program (MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, etc.)

EOF Full-time Awards: EOF Part-time Awards: EOF Previous College: EOF Term of First Entry: EOF Last Funded:
0 0

GEOF Full-time Awards: GEOF Part-time Awards: GEOF Previous College: GEOF Term of First Entry: GEOF Last Funded:
0 0

Housing Status: Admission Type: Ethnicity: Gender:
<Choose One> <Choose One> <Choose One> <Choose One>

School Program: Discretionary: Approved:
<Choose One> <Choose One> <Choose One>

Historical Poverty Code:
<Choose One>

Status Certification Codes Program
X GEOF
X TAG

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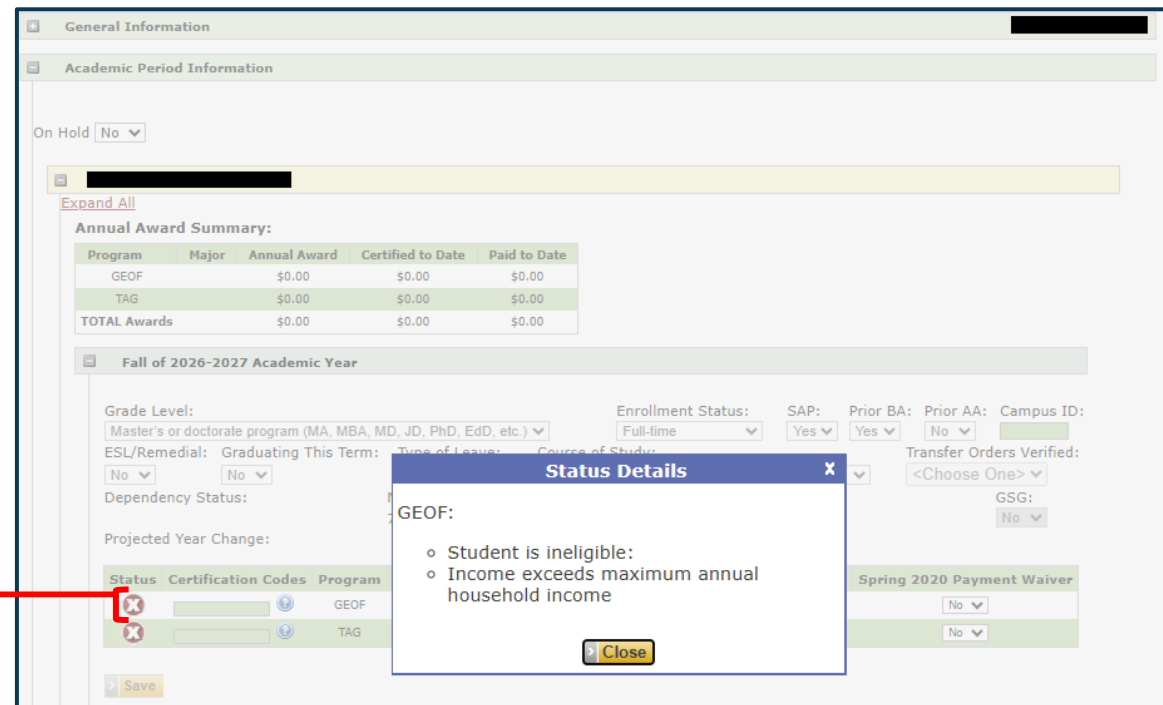
Status Details

GEOF:

- Student is ineligible:
- Income exceeds maximum annual household income

Close

FA screen



General Information

Academic Period Information

On Hold No

Expand All

Annual Award Summary:

Program	Major	Annual Award	Certified to Date	Paid to Date
GEOF		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TAG		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL Awards		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Fall of 2026-2027 Academic Year

Grade Level: Enrollment Status: SAP: Prior BA: Prior AA: Campus ID:
Master's or doctorate program (MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, etc.) Full-time Yes Yes No

ESL/Remedial: Graduating This Term: Type of Leaves: Course of Study: Transfer Orders Verified:
No No <Choose One> <Choose One> <Choose One>

Dependency Status: Projected Year Change:

Status Certification Codes Program
X GEOF
X TAG

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Status Details

GEOF:

- Student is ineligible:
- Income exceeds maximum annual household income

Close

Spring 2020 Payment Waiver
No

Eligibility Review: NJFAMS Ineligibility Reasons

Ineligibility reasons
will be posted here.

STATUS DETAILS [X]

GEOF:

- Student is ineligible:
- Income exceeds maximum annual household income
- Student is not a state resident

[Close] [Override]

Form Fields:

TAG Full-time Awards: 0 TAG Part-time Awards: 0 Tax Verification Indicator: Dependency Status: Grade Level: Master's or doctorate program (MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, etc.)

EOF Full-time Awards: 0 EOF Part-time Awards: 0

GEOF Full-time Awards: 0 GEOF Part-time Awards: 0

Housing Status: <Choose One> Admission Type: <Choose One>

School Program: <Choose One> Discretionary/Special Conditions: <Choose One> EOF Enrollment Status: <Choose One> EOF Approved: <Choose One>

Historical Poverty Code: <Choose One>

Status	Certification Codes	Program	EOF Term Amount	Term Award	Term Paid	Annual Award
X		GEOF	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
X		TAG		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

[Save]

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Always verify and
check the student's
eligibility status.
Ineligibility reasons
will be posted here.

Program Status and Certification Icons

-  **Qualified:** FAFSA or scholarship application received; student meets all eligibility requirements
-  **Incomplete:** FAFSA or scholarship application received, student has not answered NJ Additional Application questions or tasks are outstanding for scholarship application
-  **Ineligible:** student does not meet one or more eligibility requirements
-  **Selected:** student is qualified and has been selected for an award but the award has not been processed yet (HESAA Scholarship)
-  **Awarded:** student has been Qualified for an award
-  **Paid:** Award has been paid
-  **Refund Due:** Award was reduced or canceled after it was paid; funds have not yet been returned
-  **Certified:** Student has been certified by the school

Ineligibility Reason: “EOF award not approved”

- If “EOF award not approved” is the only reason that a student appears as ineligible, you may be able to award this student.
- The following steps may help remove that ineligibility reason:
 - First, check the student’s profile to ensure that they meet all eligibility requirements (e.g., financial eligibility, residency, completed application, etc.).
 - Second, if you have verified that the student appears to be eligible in NJFAMS, then change the status in EOF Approved to "Eligible for EOF" and award the student.
- Awarding of the student will force the system to re-screen the student’s eligibility.
- If everything is in order, then the student’s status should switch to “Qualified” status, and their award should appear on their account.
- **If it does not go through, then contact your EOF program liaison and we will investigate the matter further**

Spring term only : Fall "Y" Certification Code (Cancelled – No Response)

- If you awarded a student for the Spring term and (after the EOF processing period) they do not appear in "Awarded" status, please check the student's certification from the Fall term. If a student did not successfully receive an EOF grant for the Fall term and appears with a "Y" certification code (i.e. Cancelled – No Response), then NJFAMS may not permit the student to be processed properly for the Spring until this code is removed from the Fall term.
- To address this, **you will need to contact your program liaison and request to have this code temporarily removed for the Fall term** so that we can process the student's Spring grant accordingly.

Fall of 2025-2026 Academic Year

Grade Level: Other Undergraduate (junior year or senior year) Enrollment Status: Full-time SAP: Yes No Prior BA: No Prior AA: No Campus Student ID:
ESL/Remedial: No Graduating This Term: No Type of Leave: None Course of Study: Other Transfer Orders Verified: <Choose One>
Dependency Status: NJEI: 379 Program of Study: Regular 3 + 1 Program: No Bridge Year Program: No GSG: No
Projected Year Change: Tax Verification Indicator: I - Complete - Award Increased GSG Tuition & Fees: Regular Tuition
Pell Grant Received: \$ Institutional/Other Aid Received: \$ All State Aid Received: \$

Status	Certification Codes	Program	New Term Amount	Term Award	Term Paid	Annual Award	Spring 2020 Payment Waiver
X	Y	EOF		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$425.00	No
X	Y	GSG		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	No
X	Y	TAG		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,523.00	No

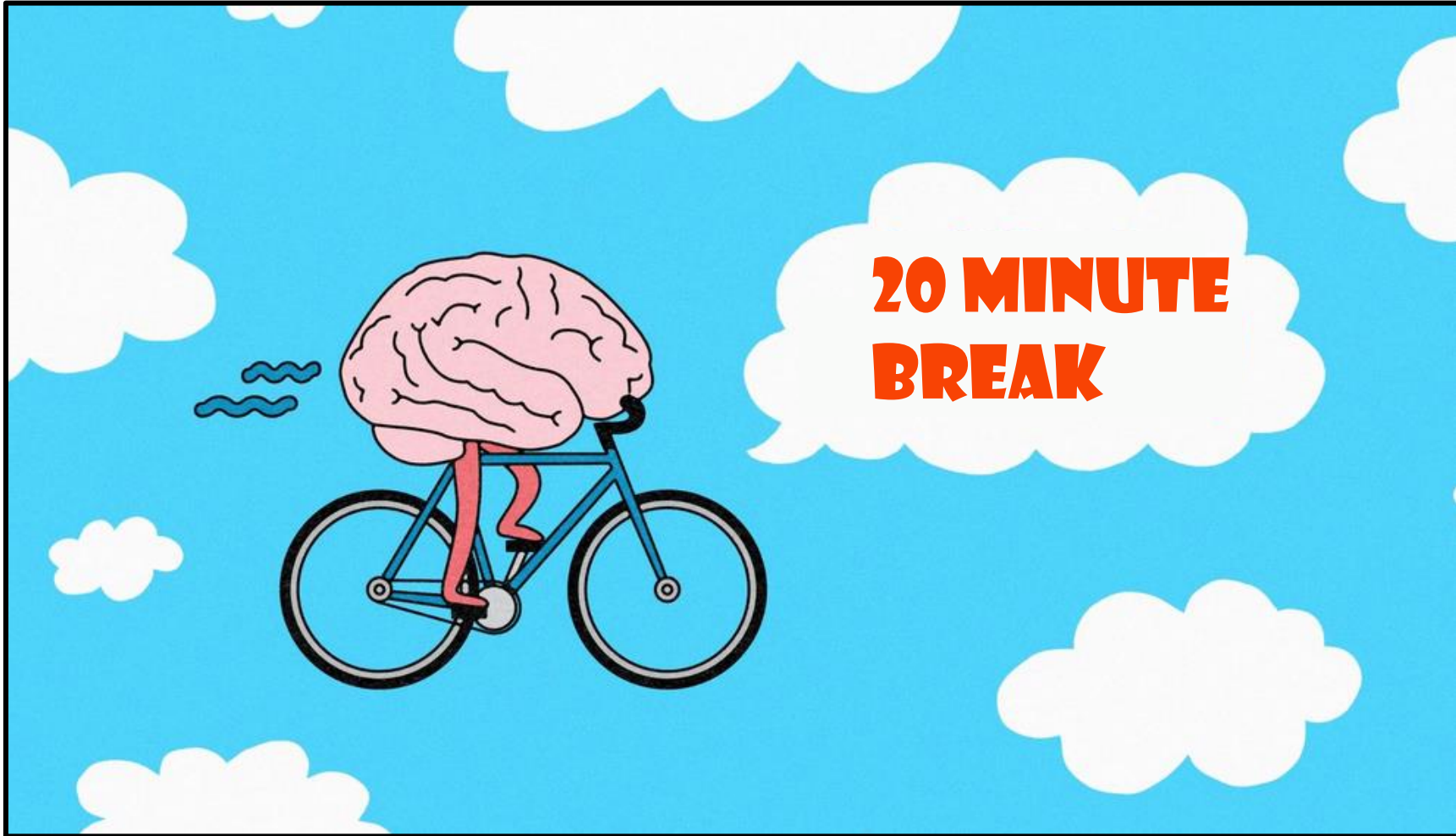
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Spring of 2025-2026 Academic Year

Grade Level: Other Undergraduate (junior year or senior year) Enrollment Status: Full-time SAP: Yes No Prior BA: No Prior AA: No Campus Student ID:
ESL/Remedial: No Graduating This Term: No Type of Leave: None Course of Study: Other Transfer Orders Verified: <Choose One>
Dependency Status: NJEI: 379 Program of Study: BioMed/Health 3 + 1 Program: No Bridge Year Program: No GSG: No
Projected Year Change: Tax Verification Indicator: I - Complete - Award Increased GSG Tuition & Fees: Regular Tuition
Pell Grant Received: \$ Institutional/Other Aid Received: \$ All State Aid Received: \$

Status	Certification Codes	Program	New Term Amount	Term Award	Term Paid	Annual Award	Spring 2020 Payment Waiver
Y		EOF		\$425.00	\$0.00	\$425.00	No
X		GSG		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	No
Y	A	TAG		\$5,523.00	\$5,523.00	\$5,523.00	No

Save



NJFAMS Walkthrough

Reviewing Student Eligibility

Accessing Information for Verification

(view)

TAG Full-time Awards: TAG Part-time Awards:

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Tax Verification Indicator:

Independent

Dependency Status:

Independent

Grade Level:

Master's or doctorate program (MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, etc.)

EOF Full-time Awards: EOF Part-time Awards:

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EOF Previous College:

EOF Term of First Entry: EOF Last Funded:

GEOF Full-time Awards: GEOF Part-time Awards:

00

GEOF Previous College:

GEOF Term of First Entry: GEOF Last Funded:

Housing Status:

<Choose One>

Admission Type:

<Choose One>

Ethnicity:

<Choose One>

Gender:

<Choose One>

School Program:

<Choose One>

Discretionary/Special Conditions:

<Choose One>

EOF Enrollment Status:

<Choose One>

EOF Approved:

<Choose One>

Historical Poverty Code:

<Choose One>

Status	Certification Codes	Program	EOF Term Amount	Term Award	Term Paid	Annual Award
★		GEOF	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✖		TAG		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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RAMAPO COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY (Spring)

(view)

From the EOF roster, you must click on the “view” link that appears in the upper right-hand corner to access the tabs needed to verify a student’s eligibility.

Accessing Information for Verification

General Information: Provides basic student information (address, email)

Academic Period Information: Section that allows the Financial Aid Office to code data such as enrollment (credits must match “EOF Enrollment Status” credits for certification), enter TAG/CCOG/GSG award amounts, certify your roster, etc.

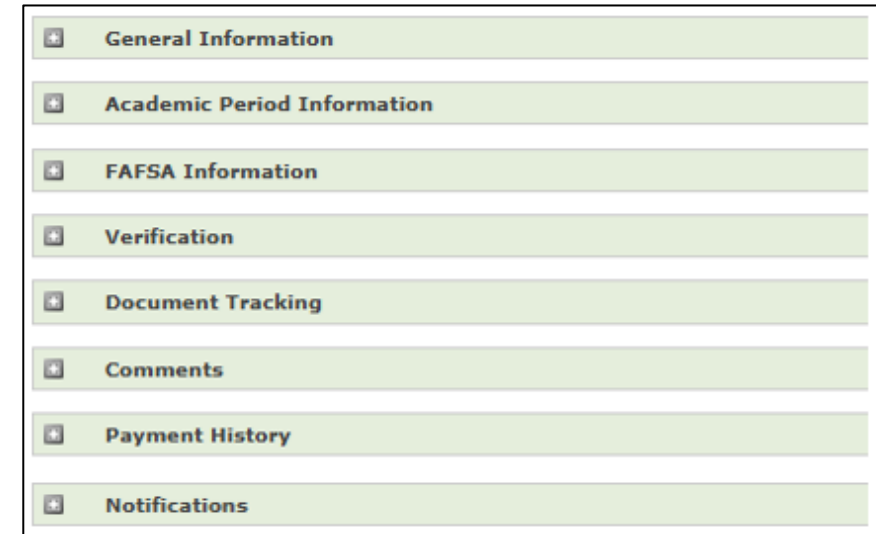
FAFSA Information: Shows date of FAFSA submission. You can access ISIR for family size

Verification: **This is where programs will check eligibility of students who previously attended a NJ institution.** Here you can view the financial information needed to complete the Discretionary/Non-Funded appeal form

Document Tracking: Shows documents are that are missing or have been submitted to HESAA for verification

Payment History: Shows a history of EOF and TAG payments

Notifications: Allows you to view notifications sent to student from HESAA



+ General Information
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NJFAMS Verification: Establish Dependency Status

- 1 For **Independent** student, focus on the *Student* and *Student Spouse* columns
 - Parental information may appear in this situation but should not be included in the review of an **Independent** student
- 2 For **Dependent** students, focus on the *Parent* and *Parent Spouse* columns
 - We do not include the student's financial information. (Note: this rule may be different for other state and federal grant programs)

Verification

ISIR Transaction No.

No Override

NJEI

TAG Award Amounts

Fall 0

Spring 0

Tax Verification Indicator

<Choose One>

Type of Change <Choose One>

Projected Year Reason <Choose One>

Projected Tax Year <Choose One>

Sibling Student IDs: None

Dependency Status

Active Duty in U.S. Armed Forces?

Veteran of U.S. Armed Forces?

Child or Other Dependents?

Orphan?

Ward of Court?

In Foster Care?

As of today, an emancipated minor?

As of today, in legal guardianship?

Unaccompanied Homeless Youth, or is Unaccompanied, At Risk of Homelessness, and Self-Supporting?

Unaccompanied and Homeless (General)?

Unaccompanied and Homeless (HS)?

Unaccompanied and Homeless (TRIO)?

Unaccompanied and Homeless (FAA)?

Other Circumstances: None of the Above

Unusual Circumstance?

Dependency Status Questions

FAFSA	Update
Independent	
	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>
No	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>
	<Choose One>

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Student

Student Spouse

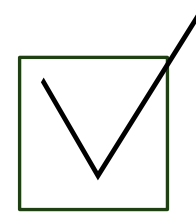
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Parent

Parent Spouse

Federal Tax Information (ETIM) - CHL//SP-TAX

Dependency Status Check



- Students who are independent by virtue of being in graduate school are not automatically eligible. Programs must **fully** review each student's eligibility. **This is different from the UG review process.**
- Grad-only EOF program administrators should work closely with their EOF Campus Program colleagues to understand NJFAMS navigation, as well as to learn current EOF roster management processes being used at their institution.
- While important to work together, EOF Graduate Grant is distinct from EOF undergrad and should be managed accordingly.

NJFAMS Verification: Establish Family Size

- 1
- Under the Self-Reported region, go to *Updated Family*
- For Dependents: Look under **Parent** and **Parent Spouse**
 - For Independents: Look under **Student** and **Student Spouse**
 - If blank, go to *View All ISIR Records*
- 2
- In the ISIR, use *AssumedParentsInFamily* (for Dependents and Independents)
 - If blank, go back to the verification screen and go to FTIM region

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Updated Family Size	1		

2

FAFSA Information

Receipt Date: 6/26/2025

View All ISIR Records

AssetProtectionAllowance	
AssumedParentsInFamily	
AssumedParentTwoIncomeFromWork	

NJFAMS Verification: Establish Family Size

- 3** In the **FTIM** region, check Number of Exemptions (Student/Parent)
- For Dependent: Under **Parent** and **Parent Spouse** add *Number of exemptions (Parent)* and *Number of exemptions (Parent Spouse)*
 - For Independent: Under **Student** and **Student Spouse**, add *Number of exemptions (Student)* and *Number of exemptions (Student Spouse)*
 - If blank, look at *Marital Status*

- 4** If all the above are blank, determine family size by reviewing *Marital Status*
- For Dependent: If parent is married, assume family size is 3 (i.e., 2 parents + 1 student). If parent is single, assume family size is 2 (i.e., 1 parent + 1 student)
 - For Independent: If married, assume family size of 2 (1 student + 1 spouse). If single, assume family size of 1 (student only) (Note: If a # appears in the "Agency Update" column, you must use this information instead of the # in the "FASFA" column.)

Note: If information appears in the “**Agency Update**” area, you must use this information instead of the information in the “**FASFA**” information area.

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	Student	Student Spouse	Parent	Parent Spouse
Federal Tax Information (FTIM) - CUI//SP-TAX				
Returned Tax Year	2024			
Filing status code	Single			
	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼
Adjusted Gross Income	2375			
Number of exemptions	0			
Number of dependents	0			

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	Student	Student Spouse	Parent	Parent Spouse
Federal Tax Information (FTIM) - CUI//SP-TAX				
Returned Tax Year	2024			
Filing status code	Single			
	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼
Adjusted Gross Income	2375			
Number of exemptions	0			
Number of dependents	0			

NJFAMS Verification:

Verify Financial Eligibility (Gross Income)

Once you have established Dependency and family size, you must determine Gross Income

- Review the *IRS response code* and Marital Status.
 - For Dependent: Check under **Parent** and **Parent Spouse** columns. If IRS response code = 200, use **FTIM** info. If other than 200 or blank, use Self-reported
 - For Independent: Check under **Student** and **Student Spouse** columns. If IRS response code = 200, use **FTIM** info. If other than 200 or blank, use Self-reported.
- For EOF purposes to calculate Gross Income the process may slightly vary based on the above indicated information. Please see the [EOF Family Size and Financial Eligibility Review Chart](#) for additional guidance.

	Student	Student Spouse	Parent	Parent Spouse
Federal Tax Information (FTIM) - CUI//SP-TAX				
Returned Tax Year	2024			
Filing status code	Single			
	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼
Adjusted Gross Income	2375			
Number of exemptions	0			
Number of dependents	0			
Total income earned amount	2556			
Total tax paid amount	361			
Untaxed IRA distributions	0			
IRA deductible and payments	0			
Tax exempt interest	0			
Untaxed pensions amount	0			
Schedule C net profit/loss	2556			
Filed Schedule C?	Yes			
	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼
Schedule A indicator	No			
	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼
Schedule B indicator	No			
	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼
Schedule D indicator	No			
	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼
Schedule E indicator	No			
	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼
Schedule F indicator	No			
	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼
Schedule H indicator	No			
	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼	<Choose One> ▼
IRS response code	200-Successful Request			

NJFAMS Verification: Verify Financial Eligibility (Assets)

Review Assets for Current Year

- Add total amounts for areas below. *Please be sure to follow the instructions provided in previous slides regarding which column(s) to review based on dependency status.*
 - *Cash, savings, checking*
 - *Investments*
 - *Business/Investment Farm*

Assets	Student			Parent		
Cash, savings, checking	Curr Yr:	Prior Yr: 0		Curr Yr:	Prior Yr: 0	
Investments	Curr Yr:	Prior Yr: 0		Curr Yr:	Prior Yr: 0	
Business/Investment Farm	Curr Yr:	Prior Yr: 0		Curr Yr:	Prior Yr: 0	

NJFAMS Verification: Payment History

EOF screen:

TAG Full-time Awards: 0		TAG Part-time Awards: 0		Tax Verification Indicator:		Dependency Status: Independent	
EOF Full-time Awards: 0		EOF Part-time Awards: 0		EOF Previous College:		EOF Term of First Entry:	
GEOF Full-time Awards: 0		GEOF Part-time Awards: 0		GEOF Previous College:		GEOF Term of First Entry:	
Housing Status: <Choose One>		Admission Type: <Choose One>		Ethnicity: <Choose One>		Gender: <Choose One>	
School Program: <Choose One>		Discretionary/Special Conditions: <Choose One>		EOF Enrollment Status: <Choose One>		EOF Approved: <Choose One>	
Historical Poverty Code: <Choose One>							
Status	Certification Codes	Program	EOF Term Amount	Term Award	Term Paid	Annual Award	
★		GEOF	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
✖		TAG		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Save							

Financial Aid screen:

Payment History	
Legacy Points (Prior to 11-12)	
Program	Legacy Points
CCOG	0
EOF	0
GEOF	0
GSG	0
Summer TAG	0
TAG	0
GSG Reported:	
Total Terms GSG Reported: 0	
First Term GSG Reported: N/A	
GO-TESU Summer 2023 Payment Points: 0	
GO-TESU Summer 2024 Payment Points: 0	
This student currently has no disbursements	
Program Points Totals	
Program	Total Points
CCOG	0
EOF	0
GEOF	0
GO-TESU	0
GSG	0
Summer TAG	0
TAG	0

EOF Graduate Grant **Roster Certification**

Roster Submission Process

- Ensure that all students have been awarded.
- Students *must* appear on your “EOF Approved and Eligible” Roster.
- Click “Download” and remove the SSN column.
- Filter out “EOF” under **Program Short Name**. Only “GEOF” should remain.
- Send the CSV file and your EOF Roster Certification form to EOF@oshe.nj.gov w/ a copy to your program liaison.

EOF Approval Rosters - Action Required			
	View and Print (PDF)	Approve Online	Download File (CSV)
 EOF Approval	PDF	Online	Download
Informational Rosters			
	View and Print (PDF)	View Online	Download File (CSV)
 Approved and Eligible	PDF	Online	Download
 State Verification Not Complete or Incomplete TAG Tasks	PDF	Online	Download
 Approved, Eligible and Certified	PDF	Online	Download
 Certified and Not Paid	PDF	Online	Download
 Paid	PDF	Online	Download
 Refund Due	PDF	Online	Download
 Ineligible	PDF	Online	Download
 Incomplete	PDF	Online	Download
 All Students	PDF	Online	Download

GEOF Roster Processing Form

— EOF Forms and Other Reports

- EOF Contract Attachment B1 - Program Goals & Objectives 
- EOF Contract Attachment B2 - Summer Program 
- EOF Contract Attachment B3 - AY Art. IV Program Support 
- EOF Special Project B4 - Budget Application 
- EOF Special Project Application - Narrative Form 
- EOF Contract Attachment B5 – Winter Session 
- NJFAMS EOF ACCESS FORM 
- **NJFAMS EOF Approved and Eligible Roster Processing Request Form**
- EOF Student Appeal Form 
- EOF Pending Verification Form 

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FUND (EOF)
NEW JERSEY FINANCIAL AID MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NJFAMS)
EOF CAMPUS PROGRAM GRADUATE APPROVED AND ELIGIBLE ROSTER PROCESSING
REQUEST FORM

Office of the Secretary of Higher Education
PO Box 542
Trenton, New Jersey 08625

All documents must be submitted via email to the EOF Central Office. This form may be submitted in either PDF, MS Word or JPEG image format to the identified individuals below. In addition to this form, programs must submit an electronic copy of your EOF "Approved and Eligible" roster. This roster should include only all graduate students with whom you are requesting for the EOF Central Office to move from a "qualified" to "awarded" status within NJFAMS. The EOF "Approved and Eligible" roster must be downloaded from the EOF portal within NJFAMS as an Excel document and must accompany the EOF Award Processing form. The Excel document must be reviewed prior to submission and must reflect the accurate demographic and award information for all selected students.

Certifications must be received by 12:00 pm (EST) on the deadline dates indicated on the Processing Calendar.

A copy of the above-described roster must be e-mailed to the OSHE/EOF Central Office with this form.

EMAIL TO: OSHE/EOF (EOF@oshe.nj.gov)

Please also copy your program liaison:

Dr. Hasani Carter (hasani.carter@oshe.nj.gov)
Peter Collazo (peter.collazo@oshe.nj.gov)
Hema Patel (hema.patel@oshe.nj.gov)
Dr. Stephanie Shanklin (stephanie.shanklin@oshe.nj.gov)

INSTITUTION: _____
PROGRAM: _____
DATE: _____

I hereby certify, as a representative of the educational institution named above, that the students that appear on the submitted roster have submitted the appropriate financial documentation to our office and have an EOF Graduate Grant application on file. This information has been reviewed for accuracy, processed in accordance with the instructions provided, and all students have been verified to be eligible for EOF. The payments requested for eligible students are in compliance with the Educational Opportunity Fund regulations. Any student requested to be approved to receive an EOF Graduate Grant that is subsequently found to be ineligible via a program audit will require the institution to cover these funds and remit a refund payment back to the State EOF Central office, effective immediately. By submitting this document, the institution also acknowledges that the students on this roster meet the standards of academic performance and progress required by the institution. Upon approval of the EOF Central Office, the above institution also recognizes that it is responsible for continuing to review the accuracy of each student's enrollment and must certify and request payment by all indicated deadlines.

EOF Director – E-Signature (Telephone Number)

EOF Director – Print (Date)

(Financial Aid Director – E-Signature) (Telephone Number)

(Financial Aid Director – Print) (Date)

Roster Certification Process and Deadlines



Programs must submit all rosters for processing by no later than 12pm on the deadline date indicated on the EOF Student Selection, Awarding, and Payment Processing Calendar.



Students **cannot** be awarded without EOF Central Office approval after that deadline date.



Other deadline dates included on the processing calendar:

- GEOF Discretionary and Non-Funded Appeals
- EOF Certification and Payment Request
- EOF Grant Consideration

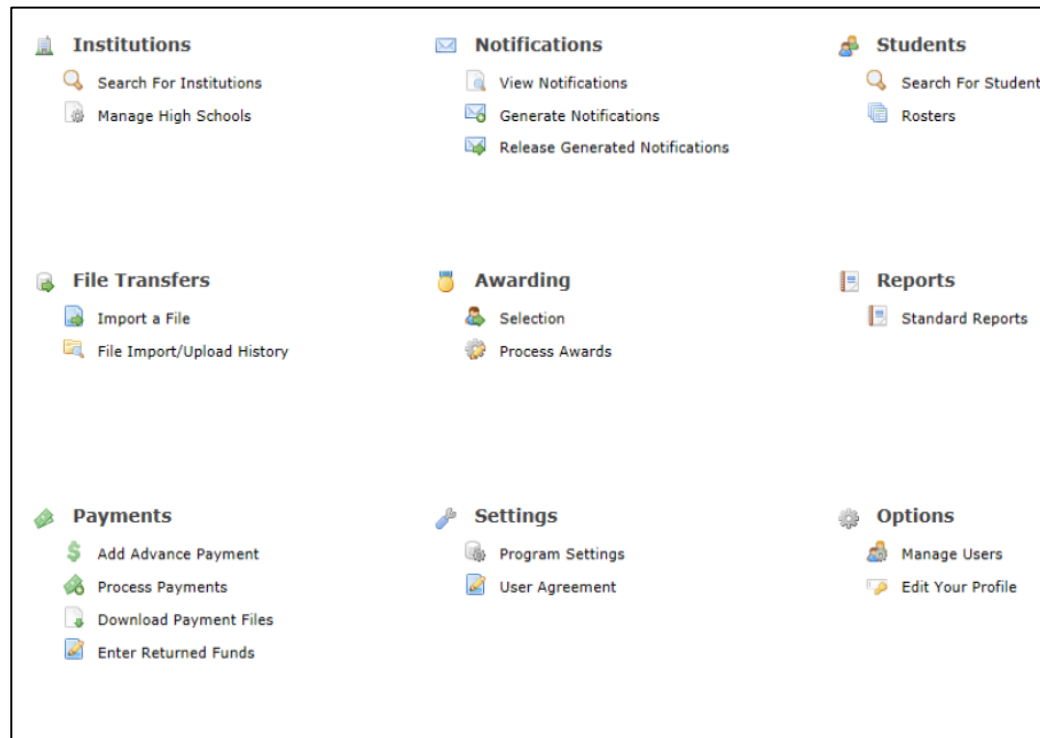


GEOF student rosters are typically processed by the EOF Central Office within 48 hours of the deadline date.

Certifying and Requesting Payment

Financial Aid Portal

Region to Certify and Request Payment



The Financial Aid liaison must go to *Search for Students* to locate the students that need to be certified

Region to Certify and Request Payment

- Each participating institution's Financial Aid Office (FAO) must certify all GEOF students (including Non-Funded) before submitting a request for payment.
- FAO are advised to complete this step on Monday or Tuesday, after Roster submission.
- GEOF program coordinators should consult with their EOF Campus Program and UG FAO to understand, or if needed develop, the process by which students will be certified and requested payment for.
- Access to the Financial Aid side of NJFAMS is managed by the institution's FAO.

[HOME](#) > Institutional Request Payment

Payment has been requested.

Payment Verification						Requested but Not Paid: \$625.00 - Not Yet Requested: \$0.00		
☐	Program	Term	Certified Amount	Refunds Pending	Net Payment Due	Request Date	Status	View Details
☒	EOF	Spring	\$625.00	\$0.00	\$625.00	7/15/2020 8:52:27 AM	Requested	Details

Selected Payments

Total of payments currently selected for this request: \$0.00

[Request Payment](#)

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From “Awarded” to “Paid” Status

- 1 Once FAO has certified and requested payment, EOF Central Office will move students to “Paid” status.
- 2 Students will be converted to “Paid” status at the end of each semester by EOF Central Office.
 - Since EOF Central Office has sent Article III grant funds to your Institution, students can receive funds after FAO certifies and requests payment.
 - If this impacts a student's financial aid package, please contact your liaison.

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☐ Process Payments All Programs Pending: \$112,835,846.00

Payments Selected: You have selected \$0 in payments to be processed.

ATLANTIC CAPE COMMUNITY COLLEGE		002596		Pending \$1,012,186.00					
Program	Term	Certified Amount	Refunds Pending	Amount Requested	Advance Payment Balance	Payment Amount	Requested Date	Method	Details
☐ TAG	Spring	\$976,249.00	\$16,491.00	\$959,758.00	\$0.00	\$959,758.00	02/15/2018	Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	Details
☐ EOF	Spring	\$35,937.00	\$0.00	\$35,937.00	\$0.00	\$35,937.00	02/15/2018	Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	Details

BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE		004736		Pending \$2,060,986.00					
Program	Term	Certified Amount	Refunds Pending	Amount Requested	Advance Payment Balance	Payment Amount	Requested Date	Method	Details
☐ TAG	Spring	\$1,800,260.00	\$857.00	\$1,799,403.00	\$0.00	\$1,799,403.00	02/28/2018	Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	Details
☐ STARS	Spring	\$149,316.00	\$4,525.00	\$144,791.00	\$0.00	\$144,791.00	02/22/2018	Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	Details
☐ EOF	Spring	\$111,410.00	\$0.00	\$111,410.00	\$0.00	\$111,410.00	02/28/2018	Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	Details

BERKELEY COLLEGE		007502		Pending \$6,614,884.00	
BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE		008404		Pending \$1,296,048.00	
CALDWELL UNIVERSITY		002598		Pending \$2,907,284.00	
CAMDEN COUNTY COLLEGE		006865		Pending \$176,750.00	
CENTENARY UNIVERSITY		002599		Pending \$1,727,549.00	
COLLEGE OF SAINT ELIZABETH		002600		Pending \$1,881,459.00	
COUNTY COLLEGE OF MORRIS		007106		Pending \$423,908.00	
CUMBERLAND COUNTY COLLEGE		002601		Pending \$235,603.00	

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Grade Level: 1st year, never attended college Degree Program: Assoc. deg. (gen. ed./transfer) Enrollment Status: Full-time SAP: Yes

ESL/Remedial: No Graduating This Term: No Type of Leave: None Course of Study: Other

Dependency Status: Independent Projected Year Change: Base Year Change Tax Verification Indicator: N - Not Selected for State Verification

Status	Certification Codes	Program	New Term Amount	Term Award	Term Paid	Annual Award
	A.	EOF		\$525.00	\$525.00	\$525.00

Discretionary and Non-Funded Appeals

GEOF Discretionary Appeals Form

All appeals must be sent directly to your EOF program liaison starting in August/January.

Check the roster processing calendar for semester deadlines for appeals

Only an EOF program liaison or the EOF executive director has the authority to approve an appeal

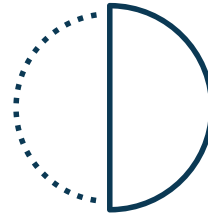
Programs are limited to 25 students per appeal/per business day

Institution Payment and Processing Reminders

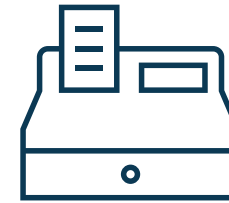
Disbursement of AY Art. III Graduate Student Grant Funds



For the fall term, institutions will receive payment based on the total amount awarded on the submitted EOF graduate certification roster



Institutions should add Fall and Spring awards for students they expect to support for both terms



For the spring term, if the total amount awarded for the AY increased from Fall to Spring (but still within allocation), institutions will receive a reconciliation payment of the balance

Notable Reminders

- When contacting OSHE/EOF for assistance with a student, you must include:
 - Student's HESAA ID#
 - Description of the issue
 - Any appropriate demographic & enrollment information
 - Amount (\$) to be awarded (if no amount is given, OSHE/EOF will only award \$100)
 - If an award needs to be cancelled after the roster has been closed, you must indicate if you want to make the student non-funded (if they are eligible for this allowance)
- Financial Aid should not use the GEOFF refund roster to accurately know the total amount owed to OSHE/EOF. This is due to how we remit payment using the "Paid" roster. Do not send any refunds for a particular academic year until after you have received your Academic Year Desk Audit.
- EOF vs. HESAA related issues that can be resolved by OSHE/EOF.
- NJFAMS is a useful tool for recruitment purposes. It should not be used as the primary source for recruitment.
- Participating institutions/EOF campus programs are responsible for accurate management of your program roster. This includes the accuracy of the roster (vs. institutional records) and the personnel who should have access.

Resources

All OSHE/EOF Program Resources, Including EOF Regulations and EOF Campus Program Liaison Assignments, Can Be Accessed on the OSHE/EOF Website

OSHE/EOF Website

http://www.state.nj.us/highereducation/EOF/EOF_Program_Resources.shtml





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