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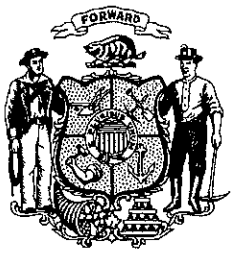

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MEMORANDUM

To: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

From: Senator Alberta Darling
Representative John Nygren

Date: July 7, 2020

Re: 14-Day Passive Review Approval – HEAB

Pursuant to s. 39.47(2g), Stats., attached is a 14-day passive review request from the Higher Educational Aids Board, received on July 7, 2020.

Please review the material and notify **Senator Darling** or **Representative Nygren** no later than **Friday, July 24, 2020,** if you have any concerns about the request or if you would like the Committee to meet formally to consider it.

Also, please contact us if you need further information.

Attachments

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The Honorable Senator Alberta Darling, Co-Chair
The Honorable Representative John Nygren, Co-Chair
Joint Committee on Finance
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Re: Administrative Memorandum for the Minnesota-Wisconsin Interstate Tuition Reciprocity Program

Dear Senator Darling, Representative Nygren and Members:

I have attached the 2020-2021 Administrative Memorandum for the Minnesota-Wisconsin Interstate Tuition Reciprocity Program. Under 39.47(2g) it is required that this memorandum be submitted annually to the Joint Committee on Finance for its approval. The memorandum outlines the administrative procedures for the program including the application process, the procedure for computing interstate reimbursement, and tuition related information.

Please contact me if you have any questions and thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Connie Hutchison

Connie Hutchison,
Executive Secretary

2020-2021
MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN INTERSTATE TUITION RECIPROCITY PROGRAM
ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Purpose

In order to implement the statutory authority and the formal interstate agreement negotiated between the two states, this administrative agreement has been prepared to specify administrative procedures of the program.

DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT AND PROCEDURES FOR MODIFICATION

This memorandum is subject to the principles and conditions of the Minnesota-Wisconsin Public Higher Education Reciprocity Agreement and is to be effective July 1, 2020. The memorandum is subject to annual review by both administrative agencies.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

To insure procedural regularity and compatibility, the two administering agencies have agreed to follow the procedures outlined in this memorandum:

1. **Public Information**
   After formal adoption of the agreement, each agency executive will direct a detailed written communication regarding the administration of the program to the institutions of post-secondary education, all secondary schools, and other interested individuals, and organizations in his state. Prior to the start of each academic year, the two administering agencies will cooperatively develop and implement training workshops for personnel from participating institutions of higher education if such workshops are deemed necessary by both agencies.

2. **Application form**
   A common application and procedure will be used in both states. All students from each state will complete the same application and submit it to the respective administering agency in their home states. Both new and continuing students will use the same application. The application will require general and institutional information. The student needs to complete one application. This application will provide reciprocity for the student in continuous attendance. Should the student not attend an institution for 365 days, the student must reapply for reciprocity. Should a change in the student's residence occur, the student and/or the institutions must notify the appropriate administering agency in writing of the change.

3. **Residency**
   The administering agency in the student's home state will make a determination of residency based on the information provided by the student during the application process. The agency reserves the right to refuse eligibility if the information provided by the student does not substantiate the claim of residency.

4. **Approval and Certification Year**
   Once eligibility is determined, it shall continue through the academic year for which certification has been granted. Should a student's residency status for fee assessment purposes change during the academic year, the originating state's responsibility to the student under the agreement will cease with the beginning of the first term following establishment of residency in the other state. The certification year begins with the Fall of each academic year and ends with the last Summer session or workshop which begins before the first day of the Fall term of the succeeding academic year. The student that is in attendance and has earned credits during the 2020 -2021 academic year will automatically have reciprocity benefits renewed for the 2021-2022 academic year unless notification has been received by the administering agency of a change in residency.

5. **Application Deadline**
   Applications must be postmarked or electronically submitted no later than the last day of scheduled classes of

the first term for which the student expects to receive benefits under the agreement. Eligibility shall continue for the remainder of the academic/certification year. The administering agencies will cooperate in a mutual exchange of academic calendar information.

6. **Coordinative Procedures**
   Periodically throughout the certification year, the administering agencies will exchange alphabetical listings of all residents of their respective states who are participating in the reciprocity program. The administering agencies will also provide alphabetical listings of their state's residents eligible for participation in the agreement to the designated institutions of post-secondary education in the other state. Nothing shall prohibit agencies from exchanging data in electronic format.

7. **Institutional Monitoring**
   Each administering agency will be responsible for monitoring institutions in its home state for compliance with the provisions and spirit of the agreement.

PROCEDURE FOR COMPUTATION OF INTERSTATE REIMBURSEMENT

1. **Definition of Terms.**
   Terminology used in the computation of the net state interstate reimbursement is described in the Agreement.

2. **Student Categories**.
   In determining the net state interstate reimbursement obligation, the following categories of student enrollment institutions and associated instructional costs will be used:

   A. Undergraduate Students
   1. Undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, the University of Minnesota-Morris, and the University of Minnesota-Rochester.
   2. Undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and the University of Minnesota-Duluth.
   3. Undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin Comprehensive institutions and the Minnesota State Universities four-year campuses and the University of Minnesota-Crookston.
   4. Undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin System branch campuses and the Minnesota State Colleges two-year campuses.

   B. Graduate Students
   1. Graduate students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.
   2. Graduate students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and the University of Minnesota-Duluth.
   3. Graduate students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin Comprehensive institutions and the Minnesota State Universities four-year campuses.

   C. Professional Students
   1. Law school students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.
   2. Pharm D students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.
   3. Pharm D students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin – Madison and the University of Minnesota – Duluth.

   The total costs and the reciprocity cost differentials for each of the categories of students and institutions listed in this section will be determined after each state's operating budget for public higher education systems has been finalized. These cost differentials will be based on actual costs per student for the 2020-2021 academic

year.

3. **Reciprocity Tuition.**
Institutions covered under this agreement will charge the following reciprocity tuition rates to students who are determined eligible to receive tuition reciprocity benefits during the 2020-2021 academic year. Tuition rates charged to students shall be based on the terms of the 2007 agreement. For reciprocity purposes, tuition rates will remain consistent during the academic year, starting with the fall semester and going through the following summer term.

Due to the COVID epidemic, a special exception to the previous statement is agreed upon by both Minnesota and Wisconsin: during the 2020-21 academic year, the tuition rates will differ for Fall, Spring and Summer. Reciprocity rates for 2020-21 will be utilized for each semester. Each term will be calculated separately in the manner traditionally utilized for the annual calculation of tuition rates.

In no case shall a student counted under the agreement be charged more than the regular non-resident tuition.

Consistent with the agreement's treatment of other forms of direct and indirect student aid, students enrolled in courses, programs, and/or institutions that do not charge a nonresident tuition rate but charge a tuition rate other than the resident rate to all students enrolled in a course or program shall not be eligible, nor shall they be counted under the agreement.

Graduate students who receive a tuition waiver as a benefit of employment at the institution shall be eligible and counted under the agreement. The tuition reported by the institution to the administering agency shall be the reciprocity tuition rate for graduate students at that institution.

A. **Undergraduate Students**
UW-MADISON (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents enrolled at UW-Madison will be charged the higher of the UW-Madison or UM-Twin Cities undergraduate resident tuition rates. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UM-TWIN CITIES (per semester term/per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents enrolled at UM-Twin Cities will be charged the higher of the UM-Twin Cities undergraduate resident rate or the UW-Madison undergraduate resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UM-MORRIS and UM-Rochester (per semester term/per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents enrolled at UM-Morris or UM-Rochester will be charged the higher of the UM institution attending or UW-Madison undergraduate resident tuition rates. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UW-MILWAUKEE (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents enrolled at UW-Milwaukee will be charged the higher of the UW-Milwaukee or UM-Duluth undergraduate resident tuition rates. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UM-DULUTH (per semester term/per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents enrolled at UM-Duluth will be charged the higher of the UM-Duluth undergraduate resident rate or UW-Milwaukee undergraduate resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN COMPREHENSIVE INSTITUTIONS (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents enrolled at Wisconsin Comprehensives will be charged the higher of the weighted average of the undergraduate resident tuition rates for Minnesota State Universities four-year campuses and UM-Crookston or the resident rate at the Wisconsin Comprehensive campus attended. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITIES FOUR-YEAR CAMPUSES/UM-CROOKSTON (per semester/per credit)
Wisconsin residents enrolled at Minnesota State Universities four-year campuses and UM-Crookston will be charged the higher of the weighted average Wisconsin Comprehensive undergraduate resident tuition rate or the undergraduate resident rate at the institution attended. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN SYSTEM BRANCH CAMPUSES (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents enrolled at University of Wisconsin System branch campuses will be charged the higher of the Minnesota State Colleges two-year campus undergraduate resident tuition or the undergraduate resident tuition at the institution attended. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITIES TWO-YEAR CAMPUSES (per semester term/per credit)
Wisconsin residents enrolled at Minnesota State Colleges two-year campuses will be charged the higher of the University of Wisconsin System branch campuses undergraduate resident tuition rate or the undergraduate resident rate at the institution attended. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGES
Minnesota residents attending Wisconsin Technical Colleges will be charged the Wisconsin Technical College undergraduate resident tuition rate.

MINNESOTA STATE STAND-ALONE TECHNICAL COLLEGES
Wisconsin residents attending Minnesota State stand-alone Technical Colleges will be charged the Minnesota State stand-alone Technical College undergraduate resident tuition rate.

B. Graduate Students

UW-MADISON

Graduate Rate (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents attending UW-Madison will be charged the higher of the UM-Twin Cities or UW-Madison graduate resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

Business Masters Rate (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents attending UW-Madison Business Masters program will be charged the higher of the UM-Twin Cities or the UW-Madison Business Masters resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UM-TWIN CITIES

Graduate Rate (per semester term/per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents attending UM-Twin Cities will be charged the higher of the UW-Madison graduate resident tuition rate or the UM-Twin Cities graduate resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

Business Masters Rate (per semester term/per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents attending UM-Twin Cities will be charged the higher of the UW-Madison Business Masters resident tuition rate or the UM-Twin Cities Business Masters resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UW-MILWAUKEE
Graduate Rate (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents attending UW-Milwaukee will be charged the higher of the UW-Milwaukee graduate resident tuition rate or the UM-Duluth graduate resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

Business Masters (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents attending UW-Milwaukee will be charged the higher of the UW-Milwaukee Business Masters resident tuition rate or the UM-Duluth Business Masters resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UM-DULUTH
Graduate Rate (per semester term/per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents attending UM-Duluth will be charged the higher of the UM-Duluth graduate resident tuition rate or the UW-Milwaukee graduate resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

Business Masters (per semester term/per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents attending UM-Duluth will be charged the higher of the UM-Duluth Business Masters resident tuition rate or the UW-Milwaukee Business Masters resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

WISCONSIN UNIVERSITY COMPREHENSIVE
Graduate Rate (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents enrolled at Wisconsin University Comprehensives will be charged the higher of the weighted average of the graduate resident tuition rates for Minnesota State Universities four-year campuses or the resident graduate rate at the Wisconsin University Comprehensive campus attended. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply. Minnesota residents attending UW-Stout will be charged on a per credit basis.

Business Masters (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents enrolled at Wisconsin University Comprehensives will be charged the higher of the average of the graduate resident Business Masters tuition rates for Minnesota State Universities four-year campuses or the resident graduate Business Masters rate at the Wisconsin University Comprehensive campus attended. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITIES FOUR-YEAR CAMPUSES
Graduate Rate (per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents enrolled at Minnesota State Universities four-year campuses will be charged the higher of the weighted average Wisconsin Comprehensive graduate resident tuition rate or the graduate resident rate at the institution attended. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

Business Masters (per semester credit)

Wisconsin residents enrolled at Minnesota State Universities
four-year campuses will be charged the higher of the average Wisconsin Comprehensive Business Masters graduate resident tuition rate or the graduate resident Business Masters rate at the institution attended. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

C. **Professional Students**

UW-MADISON

Law (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents enrolled at UW-Madison Law School will be charged the higher of the UW-Madison Law School resident tuition rate or the UM-Twin Cities Law school resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

Pharm.D. (per semester term/per semester credit)
Minnesota residents enrolled at UW-Madison Pharm.D. will be charged the higher of the UW-Madison Pharm.D. resident tuition rate or the UM-Twin Cities Pharm.D. resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UM-TWIN CITIES

Law (per semester term/per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents enrolled at the UM-Twin Cities Law School will be charged the higher of the UM-Twin Cities Law School resident tuition rate or the UW-Madison Law School resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

Pharm.D. (per semester term/per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents attending UM-Twin Cities Pharm.D. will be charged the higher of the UM-Twin Cities Pharm.D. resident tuition rate or the UW-Madison Pharm.D. resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

UM-DULUTH

Pharm.D. (per semester term/per semester credit)
Wisconsin residents attending UM – Duluth Pharm D. will be charged the higher of the UM-Duluth Pharm D. resident tuition rate or the UW-Madison Pharm D. resident tuition rate. The tuition structure and banding mechanism in place at the institution attended will apply.

Eligible students enrolled in professional academic programs not available in their home state will be charged the resident tuition of the school attended.

4. **Institutional Procedures**.
For each academic year, the administering agency will accept, and process submitted applications, to be approved according to the corresponding state's applicable resident tuition statutes. A list of approved students will be provided on a continuous frequent basis to each participating school. At the end of each term, the participating school will provide a list to the corresponding state agency including the students name, credits taken, and tuition paid. Nothing shall prohibit participating schools and agencies from exchanging data in electronic format.

5. **Agency Procedures**.
   A. Each administering agency will be responsible for the timely return of the completed certification lists from the institutions in its home state. The administering agency will forward one copy of each institution's completed certification list to the administering agency in the other state.

B. The data provided by the institutions for each term on the certification lists will be balanced for each institution and any adjustments adequately documented for subsequent auditing.

C. Once the data for each term have been balanced, a copy of the results will be supplied to the agency in the other state, along with a report of the number of undergraduate and graduate students for whom nonresident tuition has been waived under the agreement. Each state will certify to the other state the number of students, the number of credits carried and the total amount of reciprocity tuition paid by each student at each institution. Student and credit hour totals for each institution will be grouped by category and the school and category totals will be grouped by each agency. This information will be used by each state to facilitate the computation of the net interstate reimbursement obligation and to monitor institutional reporting. The deadline for such reconciliation for each term shall be 90 days from the conclusion of that term. Subsequent changes to institutional certifications shall be only with consent of both agencies.

D. At the end of each academic year, each administering agency shall calculate the Net Reimbursement Obligation under the terms of the agreement. This information shall be reported to the administering agency in the other state for historical reference purposes.

E. The net state reimbursement obligation will be calculated and paid in a manner described in the Agreement.

6. **Common Data Format and Coordinated Planning**
To insure compatibility of information pertaining to the program, both agencies will adopt a common data format and share data maintenance and reporting responsibilities. To improve the information about the program for purposes of research, planning and evaluation, both agencies agree to collect and maintain any mutually agreed upon data.

7. **Financial Aid for Reciprocity Students**
Either state may establish a financial aid program for its reciprocity students in the other state as provided in Minnesota Statutes 136A.08, subd 5., and in Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 39, The terms of such financial aid programs may be formulated outside the reciprocity agreement and shall be included in the annual administrative memorandum. Any such financial aid programs may be non-reciprocal. A financial aid program must not be constructed so as to affect the computation of interstate reimbursement, as specified in the agreement, or the payment arrangement for the interstate reimbursement to the general fund.

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Connie Hutchison, PhD, Executive Secretary — Date
Higher Educational Aids Board

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Dennis Olson Jr., Commissioner — Date
Minnesota Office of Higher Education