

Oklahoma Tuition Equalization Grant (OTEG) Program
Student Eligibility Requirements
2024-2025

- Must have submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) that is not in rejected status as determined by the federal student financial aid system
- Must be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate
- Must not be taking courses or other postsecondary units in excess of the requirements for completion of a baccalaureate program
- Cannot receive awards for more than five years from the time the first OTEG award was received
- OTEG recipients must be eligible residents of Oklahoma per the State Regents' residency policy. The policy can be reviewed at <https://okhighered.org/state-system/policy-procedures/> . (See Chapter 3-3.18 In-State/Out-of-State Status of Enrolled Students)

The student's eligibility for the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA, administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security; see <http://www.dhs.gov/deferred-action> (does not affect state aid eligibility at this time according to the OSRHE General Counsel's office. Many DACA eligible students receive a valid social security number for work purposes only and may believe they are eligible for aid. **DACA students filing a FAFSA are not eligible for OTEG at this time unless the specific requirements outlined in the Chapter 3 of the Regent's residency policy are met. (See 3.18.6(C)(4))**

- Must meet institution's satisfactory academic progress requirements for student financial aid recipients
- Must have unmet need of at least \$2,000 for an annual award
- Must meet OTEG income requirements
 - Independent (per Title IV definition): total of student/spouse AGI (use income earned from work-for non-filers) + untaxed income equals \$50,000 or less
 - Dependent (per Title IV definition): total of student's parents' AGI (use income earned from work-for non-filers) + untaxed income equals \$50,000 or less
 - OTEG statutes specify only parental income is counted for dependent students

Students who have previously received OTEG funds and who continue to meet the requirements for eligibility shall have absolute priority for continued financial support superior to any student who is being selected for a grant for the first time.

The maximum award is \$2,000 per academic year / \$1,000 per semester (no summer or intersession terms).