



What eligibility criteria are in section 484 of the Higher Education Act (HEA)?

Section 484 of the HEA states that Title IV eligible students must:

- Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a degree or certificate program.
- Not be enrolled in elementary or secondary school.
- For currently enrolled students, be making satisfactory academic progress.
- Not owe an overpayment on Title IV grants or loans.
- Not be in default on a Title IV loan.
- File "as part of the original financial aid application process" a certification that includes
 - A statement of educational purpose.
 - Student's SSN.
- Be a U.S. citizen or national, permanent resident, or other eligible noncitizen.
- Have not fraudulently obtained Title IV funds if convicted of or pled guilty or no contest to charges.
- Have not fraudulently received Title IV loans in excess of annual or aggregate limits.
- Have repaid Title IV loan amounts in excess of annual or aggregate limits if obtained inadvertently.
- Have Selective Service registration verified.
- Have Social Security Number verified.
- Have not had a federal or state conviction for drug possession or sale, with certain time limitations.