CHAPTER 14

IOWA BARBER AND COSMETOLOGY ARTS AND SCIENCES TUITION GRANT

Overview

The Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant Program provides need-based financial assistance to Iowa residents enrolled in a barber or cosmetology course of study required for state licensure at participating Iowa barber and cosmetology colleges. Recipients must demonstrate a high level of financial need to receive awards ranging from $100 to $1,200. Awards are prorated for students enrolling less than full-time.

Date Established: May, 2008

Funding:

ACADEMIC YEAR	STATE APPROPRIATION	TOTAL FUNDING
2008-09	$50,000	$50,000
2009-10	$45,834	$45,834
2010-11	$39,626	$39,626
2011-12	$36,938	$36,938
2012-13	$36,938	$36,938
2013-14	$36,938	$36,938

A. ELIGIBILITY

1. College and University

The Code of Iowa limits eligibility to Iowa barber colleges licensed under Section 158.7 or Iowa cosmetology colleges licensed under Chapter 157. Candidates for licensure are not eligible.

Each college must indicate to the Commission its intention to participate in this program and meet the requirements of Iowa Code Section 261.18(9).

Students attending the colleges listed on the following page are eligible to receive Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant awards.

Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant Participating Colleges and Universities	
Barber Colleges	
American College of Hairstyling	Cedar Rapids
American College of Hairstyling	Des Moines
College of Hair Design	Waterloo
Cosmetology Colleges	
American Hair Academy	Ft. Madison
Capri College	Cedar Rapids
Capri College	Davenport
Capri College	Dubuque
EQ School of Hair Design	Council Bluffs
Faust Institution of Cosmetology	Storm Lake
Iowa School of Beauty	Des Moines
Iowa School of Beauty	Marshalltown
Iowa School of Beauty	Ottumwa
Iowa School of Beauty	Sioux City
LaJames College of Hairstyling	Mason City
La' James International College	Cedar Falls
La' James International College	Davenport
La' James International College	Fort Dodge
La' James International College	Iowa City
La' James International College	Johnston

2. **Student**

In addition to the general eligibility requirements found in Chapter 1, eligible Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant recipients must be currently enrolled or planning to enroll at least part-time (3 hours minimum or the clock hour equivalent) in an undergraduate program at an eligible Iowa barber or cosmetology school.

Eligible full-time students may receive up to 4 semesters (or the quarter or clock hour equivalent) of Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant assistance. Part-time students may receive up to 8 semesters (or the quarter or clock hour equivalent) in assistance.

B. STUDENT APPLICATION PROCESS

Students must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be eligible to receive Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grants. Applicants must complete FAFSAs for the academic years during which they are seeking awards by July 1 preceding the academic year.

C. COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ALLOCATIONS

Allocations are made to colleges which, in turn, select qualified recipients. The allocations are based on the number of graduates from each college that apply for licensure in Iowa each calendar year.

D. SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

Grants are awarded to eligible students by college officials. Awards must be granted to those applicants who demonstrate the greatest financial need as determined by the college. Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant recipients have EFCs of $5,000 or lower. If all applicants cannot be served due to funding limitations, **priority will be given to students enrolled on a full-time basis in their first term of instruction at an eligible college.**

E. AWARD AMOUNTS AND LIMITS

Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant recipients are eligible to receive maximum awards of $1,200 for academic year 2013-14. The full-time Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Grant award is $600 per semester. For students attending quarter schools, the maximum full-time award is $300 for the first quarter, $300 for the second quarter, and $300 for the third quarter. Awards may not exceed financial need as determined by the Commission's need formula. Award proration shall be similar to that established in the Federal Pell Grant Program.

Hours Enrolled*	Semester Program Maximum Award		
	Fall	Winter	Spring
1, 2 hours	$0	N/A	$0
3, 4, 5 hours	$150		$150
6, 7, 8 hours	$300		$300
9, 10, 11 hours	$450		$450

*1, 2 hours – not eligible
3, 4, 5 hours – ¼ of the full award
6, 7, 8 hours – ½ of the full award
9, 10, 11 hours – ¾ of the full award

Qualified full-time students may receive Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grants for no more than 4 semesters of study or the quarter or clock hour equivalent. Qualified part-time students may receive grants for no more than 8 semesters of study or the quarter or clock hour equivalent.

Payments are credited on a per term basis by college officials and must be used to pay tuition charges.

In no case may a college exceed its annual state allocation. Awards are not transferable among eligible Iowa colleges or universities.

F. AWARD NOTIFICATION

College officials must provide award notices to all Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant recipients. Award notices must clearly indicate award amounts and the state programs from which students will benefit. All notices concerning state grants must include the following award notification statement:

> **"In the event that available state funds are insufficient to pay the full amount of each approved grant, the Iowa College Student Aid Commission has the authority to administratively reduce the award."**

G. RENEWAL ELIGIBILITY

Financial need is determined annually on the basis of a new FAFSA filed by the applicant. Eligible Iowa students may be considered for subsequent awards if the students continue to meet Commission eligibility requirements and have not utilized the equivalent of 4 semesters of full-time Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant awards.

H. CHANGES/CORRECTIONS

Any changes in awards must be provided to Commission staff electronically via the State Scholarship and Grant Reporting System (see Chapter 3).

I. VERIFICATION/COMPLIANCE

College officials are responsible for completing required federal verification procedures and for coordinating all aid to ensure compliance with student eligibility and allowable award amounts.

Disbursements of state-funded student financial aid may be made prior to completing the verification process as long as college officials have no reason to believe application information is inaccurate. If verification indicates that students are ineligible for aid, refunds must be made to state-funded programs.