Certification – Fostering Independence Grant

The following are instructions for completing the "Certification" section in the Fostering Independence Grant (FIG) module in MNAid.

OHE recommends completing this section of a student's FIG record after all payments have been calculated and applied to the student's account for the term you are reviewing. As a last dollar cost of attendance program, this should be the last award applied to a student's account.

1. Click on "Certification" to view your roster.

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2. Before certifying a student, click on "View" under "Financial Data".

Certify	Name 🗸	SSN	Fina	ncial Data	Enrolled Credits	Award Amount
 Pending Yes No 				View	14	\$7,000.00
 Pending Yes No 			•	View	14	\$3,800.00

3. Compare the financial data on this pop-up window with the information in your campus system. If any of the numbers have changed since you previously completed "Submit Financial Data", you will need to update the information.

FALL 2022-2023					
Enrolled Credits	14				
Cost of Attendance (COA)	\$10,000.00				
Portion of COA attributed to Housing	\$0.00				
Expected Family Contribution (EFC)	\$0.00				
PELL Grant	\$3,500.00				
Minnesota State Grant	\$200.00				
Federal SEOG	\$0.00				
Tribal Scholarships	\$0.00				
Other State/Federal Gift Aid	\$0.00				
Private Grants/Scholarships	\$0.00				
Other Institutional Aid/Waivers	\$0.00				
Extended Foster Care	\$0.00				
DHS Education Training Voucher	\$2,500.00				

4. To make these updates, look the student up under "Quick View" and click on the appropriate program year for the Fostering Independence Grant.



5. Scroll down to the "Financial Data" section and click on "Update Financial Data".

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	Summer1	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer2
Enrolled Credits	0	13	0	13	0
Cost Of Attendance (COA)	0	10000	0	10000	0
Portion of COA attributed to Housing	0	0	0	0	0
Expected Family Contribution (EFC)	0	0	0	0	0
PELL Grant	0	3000	0	3000	0
Minnesota State Grant	0	350	0	350	0
Federal SEOG	0	0	0	0	0
Tribal Scholarships	0	0	0	0	0
Other State/Federal Gift Aid	0	0	0	0	0
Private Grants/Scholarships	0	0	0	0	0
Other Institutional Aid/Waivers	0	0	0	0	0
Extended Foster Care	0	0	0	0	0
Remaining Need (calculated)	0	6650	0	6650	0
DHS Education and Training Voucher (ETV)	0	0	0	0	0



UPDATE FINANCIAL DATA

6. A screen will pop-up allowing you to update any term that has not already been paid. Make all necessary changes and then click "Save".

Update Financial Data ×							
	Summer1	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer2		
Enrolled Credits	0 🗸	13 🗸	0 🗸	13 🗸	0 ~		
Cost Of Attendance (COA)	0	10000	0	10000	0		
Portion of COA attributed to Housing	0	0	0	0	0		
Expected Family Contribution (EFC)	0	0	0	0	0		
PELL Grant	0	3000	0	3000	0		
Minnesota State Grant	0	350	0	350	0		
Federal SEOG	0	0	0	0	0		
Tribal Scholarships	0	0	0	0	0		
Other State/Federal Gift Aid	0	0	0	0	0		
Private Grants/Scholarships	0	0	0	0	0		
Other Institutional Aid/Waivers	0	0	0	0	0		
CANCEL SAVE							

7. Close and then reopen the "Certification" screen. The changes you made will reflect in the FIG award amount.

8. Open "View" under "Financial Data" again to see if there are any amounts for "Extended Foster Care" or "DHS Education Training Voucher".

FALL 2022-2023				
Enrolled Credits	14			
Cost of Attendance (COA)	\$10,000.00			
Portion of COA attributed to Housing	\$0.00			
Expected Family Contribution (EFC)	\$0.00			
PELL Grant	\$3,500.00			
Minnesota State Grant	\$200.00			
Federal SEOG	\$0.00			
Tribal Scholarships	\$0.00			
Other State/Federal Gift Aid	\$0.00			
Private Grants/Scholarships	\$0.00			
Other Institutional Aid/Waivers	\$0.00			
Extended Foster Care	\$0.00			
DHS Education Training Voucher	\$2,500.00			

- 9. If there are no amounts for these two programs, you can move to certifying the payment request. If you see amounts for either program, OHE recommends the following:
 - Extended Foster Care: This is used in the calculation of FIG, but does not count in a student's COA as it is not considered Estimated Financial Assistance (EFA) by Federal Student Aid (FSA). This means, students can potentially receive student loans or work study for the amount listed.
 - **DHS Education Training Voucher:** These funds are considered EFA by FSA. Typically, students receive these funds for college expenses through direct reimbursement to the student. This means they will likely not be sent to the college. OHE recommends creating a blocking award in the student's award package to avoid overawards.

- 10. You will now choose one of the following actions:
 - Select "Yes" under the Certify section. This is your institution's formal request to OHE for the award amount listed. Add the award to the student's account. Click "Save" to complete the request. A payment will be sent to your institution within a week.
 - Select "No" if the student has earned a bachelor's degree before payment or if the student is on SAP financial aid suspension. Click "Save" to remove the student from your Certification roster.
 - Leave as "Pending" if you are not prepared to change the status, although this is only considered a temporary status.
 - If the student never attended the term or is no longer attending at the time of certification, go back to Quick View, look the student up under the year specific FIG record, and change all financial data to zero. This will remove the student from your Certification roster.

Certify	Name 👻	SSN	Financial Data	Enrolled Credits	Award Amount	Additional Options
PendingYesNo			View	13	\$3,800.00	
PendingYesNo			View	14	\$6,800.00	
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