

## Notice of Federal Drug Violations – Title IV

In accordance with Federal regulations, Marymount University is required to annually notify all enrolled students regarding the impact on financial aid eligibility for a student who is convicted for any offense, during a period of enrollment for which the student was receiving Title IV, HEA program funds, under any federal or state law involving the possession or sale of illegal drugs will result in the loss of eligibility for any Title IV, HEA grant, loan, or work-study assistance (HEA Sec. 484(r)(1)); (20 U.S.C. 1091(r)(1)).

A student who has been convicted of an offense under any federal or state law involving the possession or sale of a controlled substance during a period of enrollment for which the student was receiving financial aid shall not be eligible to receive any federal student aid. Convictions do not count if the offense was not during such a period, unless the student was denied federal benefits for drug trafficking by a federal or state judge. A conviction that was reversed, set aside, or removed from the student's record does not count, nor does one received when he/she was a juvenile, unless he/she was tried as an adult.

The period of ineligibility for financial aid funds, depending on whether the conviction was for sale or possession and whether the student had prior convictions, is specified below:

If convicted of any offense involving the possession of a controlled substance, the ineligibility period is:

First Offense. . . . . 1 Year from date of conviction  
Second Offense. . . . . 2 Years from date of conviction  
Three or more Offenses. . . . . Indefinite period

If convicted of any offense involving the sale of a controlled substance, the ineligibility period is:

First Offense.....2 years from date of conviction  
Second Offense. . . . . Indefinite period

If a student is convicted of both possessing and selling illegal drugs, and the periods of ineligibility differ from one another, the student will be ineligible for financial aid for the longer period of time.

**REGAINING ELIGIBILITY:** A student may regain eligibility for federal financial aid after the required period of time has elapsed since the conviction, or if the conviction is reversed, set aside, or removed from the student's record so that fewer than two convictions for sale or three convictions for possession remain on the record, or if the student can certify completion of a qualified drug rehabilitation program.

A qualified drug rehabilitation program must include at least two unannounced drug tests and must also satisfy at least one of the following requirements:

- . Be qualified to receive funds directly or indirectly from a federal, state, or local government program
- . Be qualified to receive payment directly or indirectly from a federally or state-licensed insurance company
- . Be administered or recognized by a federal, state, or local government agency or court
- . Be administered or recognized by a federally or state-licensed hospital, health clinic or medical doctor

It is the student's responsibility to certify to the Office of Student Financial Aid that the student has successfully completed a rehabilitation program.

