

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Budget and Finance

AGENDA ITEM: 7 – E

DATE: March 30-April 1, 2016

SUBJECT: SDSM&T Child of Alum Criteria

The Board approved the following initial eligibility and renewal criteria for the SDSM&T Children of Alum program in April of 2015 at SDSM&T’s request:

SDSM&T

Initial Eligibility:

- Minimum 25 ACT Composite or minimum 1130 SAT Composite, and
- A minimum 25 ACT Math Sub-Score or minimum 570 SAT Math Sub-Score

Tuition retention criteria:

- The tuition reduction can be retained for up to four years (eight semesters) of education at SD Mines, excluding approved education absences, such as co-ops, study abroad, and other approved absences.
- Recipients must maintain SD Mines GPA of 3.0 or greater at the end of each academic year, including any summer courses completed before the start of the next fall semester.
- Recipients must complete a minimum of 24 SD Mines credits per academic year, including any academic credits earned in the summer before the start of the next fall semester.
- Once in-state tuition is lost, it will not be reinstated unless waived by the Provost because of extenuating circumstances (medical/personal/family emergencies, etc.) Voluntarily taking time off from school is not an acceptable reason for appeal.

SDSM&T is now requesting that starting in summer 2016 that it use the same criteria approved for SDSU:

Initial Eligibility:

- If a first-year full-time student, has a minimum 20 ACT Composite or comparable SAT Composite.
- If a transfer student, has a 2.5 cumulative GPA for credits transferred.

RECOMMENDED ACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

I move to approve the change in initial eligibility and renewal criteria for the SDSM&T Children of Alum program starting summer 2016.

Resident Tuition Retention Criteria (failure to meet the retention criteria will cause the recipient to be ineligible to receive resident undergraduate tuition and fees):

- Recipients must complete a minimum of 30 South Dakota State University credits per academic year with a GPA of 2.75 or greater.

Years of Eligibility:

- Resident tuition can be retained for up to four academic years (eight semesters) for first-year students and for transfer students for the difference between four years and the years of credit transferred (i.e. if 60 hours transferred in, resident rate can be retained for two academic years ($4 - 2 = 2$), excluding approved education absences, such as co-ops, study abroad, and other approved absences.
- Once resident tuition is lost, it will not be reinstated unless waived by the Provost because of extenuating circumstances (medical/personal/family emergencies, etc.) Voluntarily taking time off from the university is not an acceptable reason for reinstatement.