

**Xavier University of Louisiana
and**



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WHAT IS HEOA

- Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008
- Otherwise known as Public Law 110-315
- Amends and reauthorizes the Higher Education Act of 1965
- Signed into law on August 14, 2008
- Includes many disclosure and reporting requirements
- Website: <http://www.ed.gov/heoa>

REAUTHORIZATION PROCESS

- Introduced: November 9, 2007
- Passed House: Feb 7, 2008
- Passed Senate: Jul 29, 2008
- Differences Resolved: Jul 31, 2008
- Signed by the President: Aug 14, 2008

Other Admin. Notes: five (5) subcommittees were involved

- House Judiciary
- House Science and Technology
- House Financial Services
- Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

And

- House Education and Labor

REAUTHORIZATION PROCESS

Most of the HEOA additions or revisions to the HEA disclosure requirements were effective upon enactment; however institutions were expected to make a good faith effort to comply immediately.

MORE ABOUT HEOA

- The current version of HEOA contains
 - 433 pages (PDF file, available at:
<http://www.govtrack.us/data/us/bills.text/110/h/h4137enr.pdf>)
 - HEOA 2008 contains amendment sections to seven laws, on top of HEOA itself
 - HEOA includes 25 new studies to be conducted and reported back to the congress, in addition to specific studies or reports within certain sections of the act.
 - 40 areas at Xavier

HEOA REQUIREMENTS

- **Disclosure**

- Institution required to distribute and/or make available certain information to students, parents, employees, etc.
- This does not impact IPEDS

- **Reporting**

- Institution required to submit information to the U.S. Department of Education or other entities
- This may impact IPEDS

- **Overlaps in Requirements**

- Institution may be required to both submit and distribute information

Overview of HEOA Disclosure Requirements

The following information gives an overview of information that must be disclosed under the HEOA and is taken from NPEC's "Information Required to Be Disclosed Under the Higher Education Act of 1965: Suggestions for Dissemination" which can be found at the following website:

<http://nces.ed.gov/pubsearch/pubsinfo.asp?pubid=2010831rev>



Information Required to Be Disclosed Under the Higher Education Act of 1965: Suggestions for Dissemination



INFORMATION
RIGHTS AND
WITH DISABILITIES
CALCULATOR • REFUND
RETURN OF FEDERAL FINANCING
AND PROGRAMS • INSTRUCTION
CREDIT POLICIES AND ARTICULATION
APPROVAL AND LICENSURE OF INSTRUCTION
INFRINGEMENT • POLICIES AND SANCTIONS
HARING • STUDENT ACTIVITIES • CAREER
TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAM REPORTS
ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FROM FEDERAL

SUMMARY OF HEOA DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- Two Broad Categories of Disclosure Requirements
 - Non-Loan Related Disclosure Requirements
 - Education Loans Disclosure Requirements

NON-LOAN RELATED DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- General Institutional Information
 - Privacy of Student Records – Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)
 - Consumer Information on College Navigator Website
 - Facilities and Services Available to Students with Disabilities
 - Student Body Diversity
 - Price of Attendance
 - Net Price Calculator
 - Refund Policy, Requirements for Withdrawal and for the Return of Title IV, HEA Financial Aid

NON-LOAN RELATED DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- Availability of Institutional and Financial Aid Information
 - Notice of Availability of Institutional and Financial Aid Information
 - Contact Information for Assistance in Obtaining Institutional or Financial Aid Information

NON-LOAN RELATED DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- Student Financial Assistance
 - Student Financial Aid Information
 - Notice of Federal Student Financial Aid Penalties for Drug Law Violations

NON-LOAN RELATED DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- Teacher Preparation Program
 - Teacher Preparation Program Report

NON-LOAN RELATED DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- Health and Safety
 - Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program
 - Vaccinations Policies
 - Security Report (including Emergency Response and Evacuation Procedures), Timely Warnings, and Crime Log
 - Security Report – Missing Person Notification Policy
 - Fire Safety Report and Fire Log
 - Information for Crime Victims About Disciplinary Hearings

NON-LOAN RELATED DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- Student Outcomes
 - Retention Rate
 - Completion/ Graduation and Transfer-out Rates (including Disaggregated Completion/ Grad Rates)
 - Completion/ Graduation and Transfer-Rates for Students Receiving Athletically Related Student Aid (including Disaggregated Completion/ Grad Rates)
 - Placement in Employment
 - Job Placement Rates
 - Types of Graduate and Professional Education in Which the Institution's Graduates Enroll

NON-LOAN RELATED DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- Intercollegiate Athletic Program
 - Intercollegiate Athletic Program Participation Rates and Financial Support Data
- Voter Registration
 - Voter Registration Forms

EDUCATION LOAN RELATED DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- Disclosure Requirements Relating to Education Loans
 - State Grant Assistance
 - Student Loan Information Published by Dept of Education
 - National Student Loan Data System
 - Entrance Counseling for Student Borrowers
 - Exit Counseling for Student Borrowers
 - Private Education Loan Disclosures (including Self-Certification Form)

EDUCATION LOAN RELATED DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- Disclosure Requirements Relating to Education Loans
(continued)
 - Code of Conduct for Education Loans
 - Preferred Lender Lists
 - Preferred Lender Arrangements

TYPES OF DISCLOSURES

HEOA includes different types of disclosure requirements.

Primary types include:

- Posted to the Institution's Website
- Provided Directly to Specified Individuals
- Made Available to Specified Individuals

- For a good summary of the type of disclosure required for each item, refer to Appendix B of the NPEC document.
- <http://nces.ed.gov/pubsearch/pubsinfo.asp?pubid=2010831rev>

DISCLOSURE: MADE AVAILABLE

“Made Available” can include:

- Posting to the institution’s website
- Inclusion in printed catalogs or schedules
- Posted to the institution’s website AND
 - Send *notice of availability* to specified individuals
- Posted to the institution’s website AND
 - *Distribute* information to specified individuals
- For confidential materials, provided directly to specified individuals (Not on an accessible website)

COMPLIANCE: DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENT

- Accuracy of Information
 - Institutions should ensure information disclosed is accurate
 - Any substantial misrepresentation may result in a fine or a limitation, suspension, or termination of Title IV eligibility
- For more information, refer to Federal Student Aid Handbook, Chapter 6 of Volume 2:

<http://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/attachments/0910FSAHbkVol2Ch6Information.pdf>

XAVIER

Where do we stand????

XAVIER'S COMPLIANCE

Review of Compliance status

- August 2008, law goes into effect – “good faith effort” in effect.
 - SACS Compliance Audit Certification going on concurrently.
- March 2009 – 16 areas on campus identified that the new law would effect

Compliance of the law entails broad campus involvement

At Xavier –

- Academic Affairs
- Admissions
- Campus Police
- College of Pharmacy
- Counseling Services
- Financial Aid
- Fiscal Services
- Graduate Studies
- Human Resources
- Information Technology Administration
- Planning and Institutional Research
- Registrar
- Safety Officer
- Student Government Association
- Student Health
- Student Services

XAVIER'S COMPLIANCE

- Early October 2009 – Came together to identify Xavier's current status
 - > 50% compliant; IPEDS reporting increased to an even higher %
- Mid October 2009, status updates given and action plans developed to assist areas in meeting compliance
- November 2009 – National Postsecondary Education Cooperative (NPEC) developed handbook

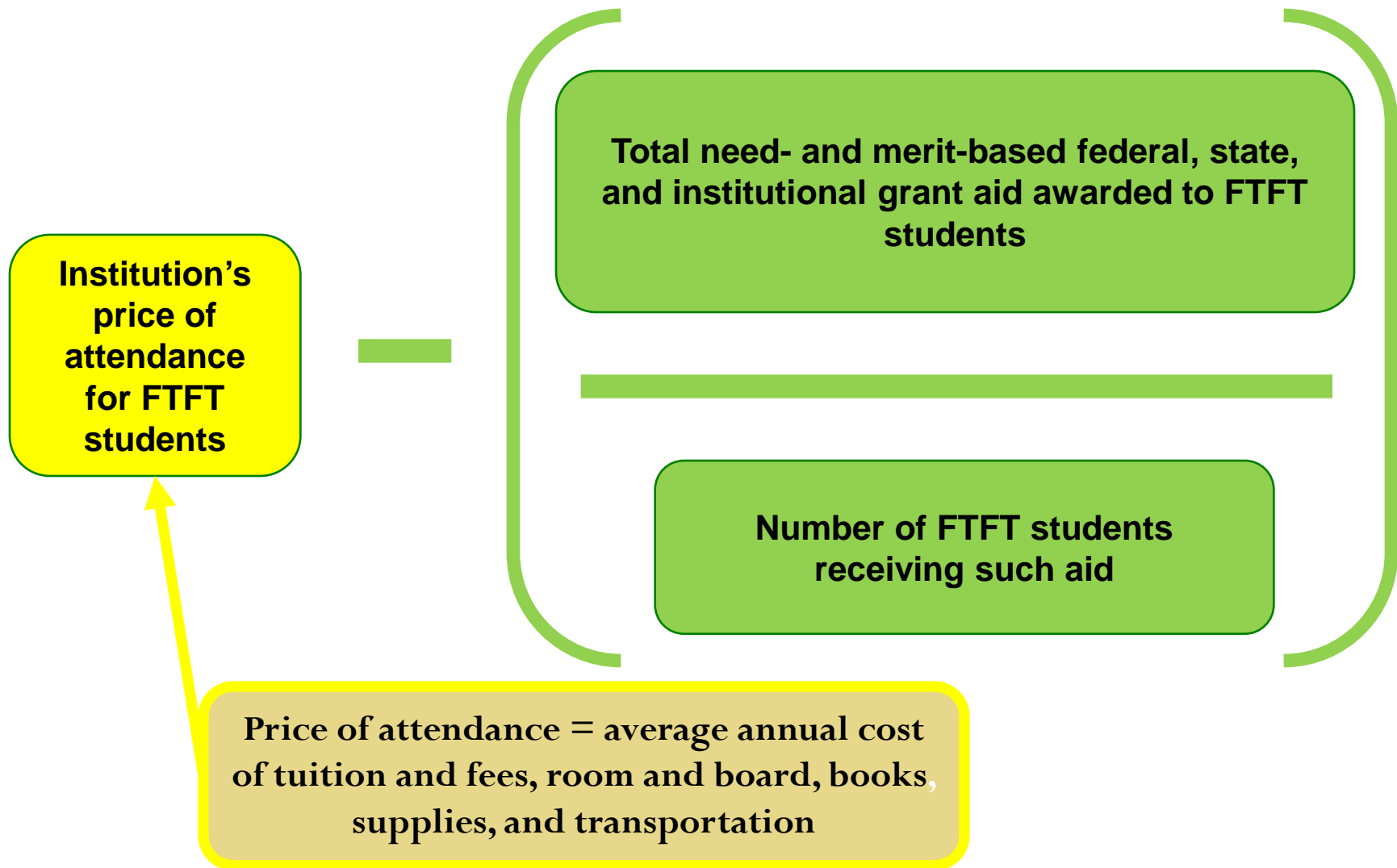
XAVIER'S COMPLIANCE

- December 2009 – February 2010, additional areas became compliant through Xavier's participation in U-CAN.

<http://members.ucan-network.org/xula>

- March 2010 – Net Price Calculator Meetings initiated.

DEFINITION OF NET PRICE



XAVIER'S COMPLIANCE

- Early August 2010 information regarding compliance within www.xula.edu , University Catalog, Student Handbook, and Faculty / Staff Handbooks was identified and verified
- Mid August 2010 – discussion with webmaster to design HEOA website template.
- 1 - page portal
 - Key points
 - Concise
 - 3 click philosophy and user friendly (Ex. “Student–Right-To-Know” vs. “Graduation Rates”)
 - Accuracy of Information
 - Focus both on compliance and communication

XAVIER'S COMPLIANCE

Where are we now????

- Oct. 1, 2010 – 93% compliant

XAVIER'S COMPLIANCE

- Following areas are in progress towards compliance
 - Net Price Calculator:
 - Net Price Calculator on Xavier 's website by January, 2011; ten months prior to the deadline.
 - Student Right-to-Know Act & Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act
 - Currently working with Technology Administration and Athletics to create a report that will meet compliance standards
 - Template from AACRAO

RESOURCES

- This presentation only ‘scratched’ the surface. For additional information:
- HEOA Website: <http://www.ed.gov/heoa>
- NPEC “Information Required to Be Disclosed Under the Higher Education Act of 1965”
<http://nces.ed.gov/pubsearch/pubsinfo.asp?pubid=2010831rev>
- Public Law 110-315
http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgibin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=110_cong_public_laws&docid=f:publ315.110.pdf

RESOURCES

- AIR Alert #37, Proposed Changes for 2009-10 IPEDS
<http://www.airweb.org/page.asp?page=1905>
- AIR Net Price Calculator Resource Center
<http://www.airweb.org/page.asp?page=2106>
- “The New Institutional Net Price Calculator Requirement in HEOA” (Presentation by Elise Miller and Mohamad Sakr)
<http://ifap.ed.gov/presentations/attachments/20TheNewInstitutionalNetPriceCalculatorRequirementInHEOAV1.pdf>

RESOURCES

- AIR Website: NCES Presentations
 - “Understanding the New Higher Education Opportunity Act Requirement for a Net Price Calculator for Institutional Web Sites”

<http://www.airweb.org/?page=1981>

- “IPEDS and HEOA Updates” (Presentation by Erez Lencher)

<http://www.aicup.org/Research/FederalandStateIssues/HEOA/tabid/378/Default.aspx>

Questions????

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