



## **Out of State Fee Waivers/Exemptions Policy**

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**Responsible Office:** Admissions and Recruitment

**Division:** Academic Affairs

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### **I. PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE**

To establish criteria and guidelines for awarding out-of-state fee waivers/exemptions.

### **II. STATEMENT OF POLICY**

For tuition purposes, new students who graduated from high schools in other states may be considered to have some or all of their out-of-state fees waived provided they satisfy the following minimum criteria.

A. Students must first satisfy the admission requirements.

B. Additional minimum admission criteria include:

a. First-time Freshmen (under 12 credits of college level work completed):

- ACT of 17 (or SAT of 810) + cumulative high school GPA of 2.5 or
- ACT of 18 (or SAT of 850) + cumulative high school GPA of 2.3 or
- ACT of 19 (or SAT of 890) + cumulative high school GPA of 2.0

b. Transfer Student (at least 12 credits of college-level work completed):

- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on college-level work.
- Have no need for remedial course work, and
- Be eligible to return to their previous institution.

c. Continuing Students (at least 12 credits of college-level work completed):  
Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5

C. Legacy students (child/ren of alumni) that do not meet minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 must submit Out-of-State Fee Waiver application and birth certificate to the Office of Admissions. The Office of Admissions will verify parent(s)' degree with Registrar's Office.

D. Grambling State University reserves the right to limit the overall number of out of state fee waivers/exemptions granted. All awards are contingent upon fund availability.

E. Student must maintain a 2.5 GPA in order to retain the waiver (evaluated each spring). Students must be enrolled as full-time students (12 semester credit hours,

- F. If student loses waiver, he or she can receive waiver again once the GPA is back to a 2.5.

**G. Special Achievement Consideration:**

A non –resident student with high achievement in dance performance, or debate, or visual arts, or music performance, or theater performance may be granted a waiver (or “may be considered a resident of Louisiana for tuition/fee purposes”) if it is deemed that the student’s presence will improve the educational opportunities of other students. Cheerleaders, flag corps, university recognized or sponsored spirit groups that perform at athletic game activities, and the SGA president, as well as certain others may also be considered in this group. The applying student must meet each of the following criteria:

1. Demonstrate high achievement in the appropriate performance area.
2. Have a cumulative minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale in high school. If applying prior to entering college, or upon at least 24 semester hours of college work.
3. Demonstrate leadership.
4. Receive a satisfactory rating in an interview (person or by telephone).
5. Commit to participate in the appropriate area (dance performance, debate, music performance theater performance) at the granting institution.

To be eligible to continue receiving this resident fee status, any student in the group above must meet the following criteria:

1. Maintain satisfactory participation and performance in the appropriate collegiate activity. Failure to maintain satisfactory participate and performance in one semester will result in forfeiting the waiver (or fee status) for subsequent semesters. After re-establishing satisfactory performance for at least one semester (not including the summer session), the student may reapply for the waiver (or fee status). A student may be exempted from this requirement by an appropriately designated official of the university after one academic year of performance.
2. Maintain status as a full-time student.
3. Maintain a semester and cumulative 2.0 grade point average. If the semester or cumulative GPA falls below 2.0, the student may retain the waiver for the succeeding semester, but he will forfeit the waiver (or fee status) if the semester or cumulative GPA is below 2.0 at the close of that succeeding semester.

**III. REVISION/REVISED HISTORY**

April 1, 2014- Revision