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### **Sec. 10a-170d-1. Definitions**

When used in Sections 10a-170d-2 through 10a-170d-5 of these regulations,

- (a) "Academic Year" or "Year" means the period July 1 through June 30.
  - (b) "Board" means the Board of Governors for Higher Education.
  - (c) "Department" means the Department of Higher Education.
  - (d) "High Technology Program," "Designated Program" or "Graduate Program" means an academic program at the graduate level approved by the Board and designated by the Board as a program in a high technology field meeting statewide economic needs.
  - (e) "Full-Time Student" means a graduate student whose registration in credit-bearing courses or their equivalent is equal to or greater than nine credit hours per academic semester.
  - (f) "Matriculated Student" means a graduate student who has been officially accepted into a graduate program leading towards a degree.
  - (g) "Resident" means a person so designated under Sections 10a-28, 10a-29 and 10a-30 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
- (Effective January 23, 1984)

### **Sec. 10a-170d-2. Criteria for selection of scholarship recipients**

(a) Scholarships shall be awarded by the Department only to students at institutions in Connecticut who are enrolled in graduate programs approved by the Board and designated by the Board as programs in high technology fields which meet statewide economic needs.

(b) The Board shall annually appoint a committee of graduate faculty members from public and independent institutions to recommend award recipients to the Commissioner who shall review and approve award recipients. The committee shall utilize the following criteria in making its recommendations:

- (1) The applicant must:
  - (a) be a Connecticut resident;
  - (b) at the time of award, have been a matriculated student for one year and, at the time of application, have successfully completed or be in the process of completing at least eighteen (18) hours of graduate study, or their equivalent, in the graduate program for which the High Technology Scholarship is being sought. A determination as to the successful completion of the 18 hours of study, or their equivalent, will be made prior to disbursement of an award. (Graduate or professional credits earned while enrolled as an undergraduate student shall not be considered in determining eligibility);
  - (c) demonstrate strong academic skills as evidenced by:
    - (1) Scores on a nationally standardized exam appropriate for graduate level admission to a high technology program, as approved by the Department. The Department shall solicit the advice of graduate deans in making this determination.
    - (2) Undergraduate and graduate program transcripts, and
    - (3) Recommendations from two faculty, one of whom must be from the applicants graduate program;
  - (d) have confirmation from the institution of a teaching assignment of at least three credit hours per semester during the academic year for which the High Technology Scholarship is tendered.
  - (e) Agree to complete follow-up surveys from the Department of Higher Education concerning employment.

(2) Institutional and state affirmative action goals shall also be considered.

(c) A student shall be eligible for a renewal award for up to two additional years of study if:

(1) the student submits a renewal application;

(2) the institution the student is attending indicates the student is making satisfactory progress toward completion of the degree and recommends the student for renewal; and

(3) the student continues to be a Connecticut resident.

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**Sec. 10a-170d-3. Terms of scholarship**

(a) Annual scholarship may not exceed \$10,000.

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**Sec. 10a-170d-4. Timetable**

(a) Except for its initial year of operation as noted in subsection (b) below, the following timetable will be utilized in administering the High Technology Scholarship Program:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Activity</i>
November 1	Distribution of applications by the Department to eligible Connecticut institutions.
February 1	Completed applications and all supporting material to be submitted to the Department.
April 1	Notification of award made to applicant and institution.
July 1	Receipt of official transcript from student designated to receive an award verifying completion of at least 18 hours of work in the program.
October 1	One-half of award disbursed to recipient prior to this date.
February 1	Balance of award for second semester disbursed to recipient prior to this date.

(b) During the initial year of operation, the following timetable will be followed:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Activity</i>
March 1, 1984 or upon approval of these regulations	Distribution of applications by the Department to eligible Connecticut institutions.
April 1, 1984	Completed applications and all supporting material to be submitted to the Department.
June 1, 1984	Notification of award made to applicant and institution.
July 15, 1984	Receipt of official transcript from student designated to receive an award verifying completion of at least 18 hours of work in the program.
October 1, 1984	One-half of award disbursed to recipient prior to this date.

February 1, 1985

Balance of award for second semester disbursed to recipient prior to this date.

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**Sec. 10a-170d-5. Application**

Applications for a High Technology Scholarship must submit to the Department the following items no later than the due date specified in Section 3 of these regulations:

(A) Completed application, including:

(1) Two letters of recommendation—at least one from a faculty member in the applicant's department (Forms included with application).

(2) Certification by graduate program Department Head of a teaching assignment (Form included with application).

(B) Official scores on a nationally standardized exam appropriate for graduate level admission to a high technology program as approved by the Department.

(C) Official copy of graduate and undergraduate transcripts.

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