

#	Subject	Summary of Change to Common Manual	Type of Update	Effective Date
1264	Gainful Employment Program Debt Measures	4.1.C Maintaining Eligibility Adds information about debt measures for gainful employment programs.	Federal	Gainful employment program debt measures implemented by a school on and after July 1, 2012.
1265	Gainful Employment Program Debt Warnings and Sanctions	4.1.C Maintaining Eligibility Adds information about gainful employment debt warnings and sanctions.	Federal	§668.7(h) through (l); §668.26(d)(1) and (3); <i>Federal Register</i> published on June 13, 2011.
1266	Home-Schooled Students and Title IV Eligibility	5.1.B Student Eligibility Requirements Clarifies that some states issue a secondary school completion credential to home-schooled students. If this is the case in the state in which the student was home schooled, the student must obtain this credential in order to qualify for Title IV aid. If a school's policy permits students to self-certify completion of a secondary school education, the home-schooled student may also self-certify that he or she received this state-issued credential.	Federal	Publication date of the 02-03 FSA Handbook, Volume 1. For provisions that permit a home-schooled student to self-certify that he or she received a state-issued secondary school completion credential for home-schooled students, publication date of the 03-04 FSA Handbook, Volume 1.
1267	Ability-to-Benefit Provisions	5.1.B Student Eligibility Requirements 5.10 Required High School Diploma or Equivalent 5.11 Ability to Benefit Provisions 5.11.A Testing ATB Students with Special Needs 5.11.B School Liability in ATB Testing Appendix G Strikes language from the <i>Common Manual</i> that pertains to a borrower obtaining Title IV eligibility by any means other than a high school diploma or its equivalent.	Federal	Students first enrolled in a program of study on or after July 1, 2012, who do not have a high school diploma or its equivalent.

1268	Changes to Verification Requirements	<p>6.6.A Performing Verification Requirements</p> <p>Notates that the Department will publish annually a potentially changing set of data elements that are subject to verification each award year, and that it may revise applicable verification documentation requirements. Also notates that schools may choose to originate Title IV aid prior to the completion of verification, but prohibits the disbursements of subsidized funds prior to the completion of verification and more clearly states that borrowers who are eligible to receive only unsubsidized Stafford and/or PLUS Loan funds are not subject to verification requirements.</p> <p>Revised verification exemptions are listed.</p>	Federal	<p><i>Federal Register</i> published October 29, 2010, pp. 66954 – 66958; <i>Dear Colleague Letter</i> (DCL) GEN-11-13.</p>
1269	Completing Verification Before Professional Judgment	<p>6.6.B Use of Professional Judgment to Determine EFC</p> <p>Requires the school to complete any federally-mandated professional judgment before exercising professional judgment.</p>	Federal	<p>Preamble to the <i>Federal Register</i> published October 29, 2010, p. 66903.</p>
1270	Academic Competitiveness and National SMART Grants	<p>9.5.A Return Amounts for the Title IV Grant and Loan Programs</p> <p>9.5.B Processing Returned Funds</p> <p>Appendix G</p> <p>Deletes any reference to the Academic Competitiveness or National SMART grant programs from text that describes a school's responsibilities to calculate a return of Title IV funds or process a return of unearned Title IV funds.</p> <p>Also deletes the glossary definitions the Academic Competitiveness and National SMART grant programs.</p>	Federal	<p>HEA §401A(e); §668.19(a)(3); <i>Federal Register</i> dated June 23, 2008; DCL P-11-02.</p>
1271	Disaster Relief Waivers	<p>11.21.M Natural Disasters, Local or National Emergency, or Military Mobilization</p> <p>Appendix H.4.D Disaster Waivers</p> <p>Includes the updated guidance reflected in DCL GEN-10-16 regarding disaster relief waivers.</p>	Federal	<p><i>Dear Colleague Letter</i> (DCL) GEN-10-16.</p>

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