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SECTION XIV. ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

A. Board of Supervisors Academic Scholarships.

1. Number Per Institution and Selection Criteria. Each institution may grant annually to first-time freshmen, selected on the basis of academic ability, 25 (Revision approved 3/26/04) scholarships of institutionally determined value that, when combined with other state, institutional, or federal aid, may not exceed the students’ cost of attendance. Selection shall be made using a formula devised at the institution that shall include high school GPA, scores on the American College Test (ACT) or other comparable nationally normed examinations, recommendations from high school principals and teachers, and interviews. The selection shall be made from Louisiana residents without regard to a student’s proposed major. The scholarship shall be awarded to full-time students for a maximum of four calendar years (eight semesters) or until a bachelor’s degree is obtained, whichever is the shortest period. (Revision approved 8/25/00)

2. Other-Race Initiative. An additional five scholarships may be granted annually at each institution to increase other-race enrollment. There may be a separate formula, using the same factors, for awarding the five other-race scholarships.

3. Awarding of Scholarships. Each institution may award all of the basic 25 scholarships each year, so that up to 100 scholarship students may be enrolled during the academic years. Full use of the five other-race scholarships increases the maximum to 120. If a scholarship is vacated, another recipient (not necessarily a first-time freshman) may be selected on the basis of GPA computed on college credits earned to complete the life of the award. (Revision approved 3/26/99)

4. Maintaining Eligibility. To remain eligible, the recipient must maintain full-time enrollment (except that part-time is allowed for summer sessions) and a 3.0 cumulative GPA.

B. Presidential Scholarships. Each System institution may award such scholarships to first-time freshmen who have excelled academically in high school. The award is based on the following minimal criteria: 3.0 grade-point average from high school and a minimum 30 ACT score or 3.0 grade-point average from high school and in top 3% of ACT scores at the awarding institution. (Addition approved 8/25/00)