



PA State System of Higher Education Board of Governors

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Policy 1996-04: Summer Honors Program

See Also:

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Amended:

A. Background

The purpose of the Summer Honors Program is to provide an opportunity for two honors students from each State System university to attend a special credit-bearing summer experience hosted by one of the 14 universities of the State System of Higher Education. In existence since 1985, this program has been the peak undergraduate experience for many of the System's most able students.

B. Purpose

To provide policy and to codify existing practices concerning the operation of the Summer Honors Program.

C. Funding

Each university is assessed an annual fee to cover the costs associated with the operation of this program. The fee may be increased upon the approval of the chancellor.

D. Student Participation

Each university is invited to select two academically outstanding students each summer to participate in this experience. The host university may, on a space available basis, select additional students to participate. Grades earned by students may be transferred back to the home institution under Board of Governors' Policy 1991-03: *Visiting Student Program*.

E. Host Institution

A university desiring to serve as a host institution shall present a proposal to the chancellor. The proposal and selection process shall begin 18 months in advance of the summer in which the program is to be offered. The chancellor shall select the host institution. Notwithstanding Board of Governors' Policy 1996-01: *Sources of Funding for University Scholarships*, it is understood that for the purpose of this program, the host institution shall be authorized to use the assessed funds for tuition, room and board, travel, and other Summer Honors Program costs.