

Federal Financial Aid Penalties For Drug Convictions

In accordance with federal law, Emory University provides this notice regarding drug related federal or state convictions and eligibility for Title IV Federal Student Aid.

A student convicted of the possession or sale of a controlled substance during a period of enrollment while receiving federal financial aid will lose eligibility for federal education loans, grants and work-study assistance. This loss of eligibility will be immediate from the date of the conviction and continue during the following period of time:

	Possession of illegal drugs	Sale of illegal drugs
1 st offense	1 year from date of conviction	2 years from date of conviction
2 nd offense	2 years from date of conviction	Indefinite period
3+ offenses	Indefinite period	

A student regains eligibility the day after the period of ineligibility ends, or by successful completion of a qualified drug rehabilitation program that includes passing two unannounced program drug tests.

A student who has lost eligibility for an indefinite period may regain eligibility by one of the following methods:

- Successful completion of a qualified drug rehabilitation program that includes passing two unannounced program drug tests;
- Successful completion of two unannounced drug tests which are part of a rehab program (the student is not required to complete the remainder of the program), or;
- Having the conviction set aside, reversed, or removed from record so that fewer than two convictions remains.

Qualified Drug Rehabilitation Program

A qualified drug rehabilitation program must include at least two unannounced drug tests and must satisfy at least one of the following requirements:

- Be qualified to receive funds directly or indirectly from a federal, state, or local government
- Be qualified to receive payment directly or indirectly from a federally or state-licensed insurance company
- Be administered or recognized by a federal, state, or local government agency or court
- Be administered or recognized by a federal or state-licensed hospital, health clinic, or medical doctor.