

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL ACADEMIC COMPETITIVENESS GRANT (ACG)

You **MUST** meet the following criteria in order to be considered for the Federal ACG grant. Before submitting this form (OVER) to your high school, please make sure that you read and understand the following requirements first.

Make sure that:

- You have completed your rigorous study course work***AFTER January 1, 2005. Those of you who graduated before January 1, 2005 will not be eligible for this grant.
- You have been determined to be eligible for and awarded (financial aid file completed and turned in to the financial aid office) a Federal Pell Grant.
- In order to receive a second year grant, in the amount of \$ 1,300.00 you need to SHOW PROOF that you have completed over 30 units with a cumulative GPA of ≥ 3.0 . NOTE: Proof will not be necessary if the 30 units have been completed at Fullerton College.
- After meeting the above mentioned criteria take this form to your high school and have the validation (on the back side of this page) completed and make sure there is an official seal. Once this has been done, we can consider you for this grant. The school MUST complete the form and indicate which eligible program you completed and indicate scores. WE DO NOT ACCEPT TRANSCRIPTS for us to determine eligibility. This must be done by the high school, or we will return the form to you.

RIGOROUS STUDY INFORMATION

***3 Options exist to meet the definition of completion of a rigorous program for ACG. Students need to meet 1 of the available options.

1. Secretary's Recognized Programs -

- Programs submitted by state in response to Secretary's solicitation.
- An advanced or honors secondary school program established by a state and in existence for the 0405 or 0506 school year.
- State Scholars Initiative.

2. Passed 2 Advanced Placement courses with a passing test score of 3 or 2 International Baccalaureate courses with at passing test scores of 4.

3. A set of courses identified by the Secretary

- 4 years of English
- 3 years of Math (must include 1 year of Algebra 1 and 1 higher math class.)
- 3 years of science (must include 1 year of 2 courses (Chemistry, Physics or Biology) and one other science class.)
- 3 years of social studies.
- 1 year of a language other than English.

Go to: <http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/about/ac-smart/state-programs06.html>

If further information is needed.



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FULLERTON COLLEGE/FINANCIAL AID OFFICE
Rigorous Course of Study Validation Form

Date: Student SSN/ID #:

Last Name: First Name: MI

Address: City/State: Zip:

High School Attended: Date Graduated: (MM/YY *MUST BE AFTER 1/1/05)

I hereby authorize high school officials to release information to Fullerton College, regarding my academic records pertaining to the information required below.

Student Signature Date

The student identified above may be eligible for an additional grant in the amount of \$750-\$1300 based on our office having a completed financial aid file, and they have been determined to be eligible for a Federal Pell grant. They need to provide us with this final validation. When validation is complete, please return to the student or you may mail it to the school financial aid office (address below)

The student identified above graduated from: (Name of High School)

On: completed the following rigorous course(***) of study (only 1 needed to qualify student): (MM/DD/YYYY)

ONE OF THESE (below) MUST BE CHECKED! (Do not just attach a transcript)

HIGH SCHOOL SEAL: (Required)

Completed the California A-G Course Requirements

Golden State Seal Merit Diploma

AP exam # Score AP exam # Score AP exam # Score AP exam # Score

California International Baccalaureate exam-score: OR

Completed out of state requirements in: (State) (Type of rigorous course requirement)

Print name of Principal or Designee Phone Number

Signature of Principal or Designee Date