

Greetings,

Thank you for providing the College the opportunity to help you reach your academic goals. Your trust in us is very much appreciated.

As required by law, we must inform all students enrolled at Naugatuck Valley Community College each semester the Federal regulations pertaining to Federal student financial aid as it pertains to penalties associated with drug-related offenses.

Please read the following written notice regarding penalties for drug violations:

Federal regulations require postsecondary institutions that participate in the federal student financial aid programs to make certain disclosures to students. This notice provides information on the penalties associated with drug-related offenses when the conviction occurs while the student is receiving federal student aid. This notice also provides information on the penalties associated with drug-related offenses under section 484(r) of the Higher Education Act (HEA). The College will provide timely notice to each student who has lost eligibility for any grant, loan, or work-study assistance as a result of penalties under 484(r)(1) of the HEA.

Suspension of Eligibility for Drug-Related Offenses

In general, a student who has been convicted under any federal or state law involving the possession or sale of a controlled substance, during a period of enrollment for which the student was receiving federal (Title IV) aid, shall not be eligible to receive any grant, loan, or work-study assistance under this title during the period beginning on the date of such conviction and ending after the interval specified below. If convicted of an offense involving:

For the possession of a controlled substance, the ineligibility period is:

- First offense: 1 year from the date of conviction
- Second offense: 2 years from the date of conviction
- Third offense: **Indefinite period of time**

For the sale of a controlled substance, the ineligibility period is:

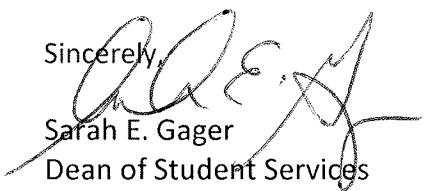
- First offense: 2 years from the date of conviction
- Second offense: **Indefinite period of time**

Drug-related convictions must be for an offense that occurred during a period of enrollment for which the student was receiving federal (Title IV) aid. Convictions only impact financial aid eligibility if the offense occurred while the student was receiving federal financial aid, and the student was tried as an adult. If a conviction was reversed, set aside, or removed from the student's record it does not impact aid eligibility.

Students may request a paper copy of the consumer information policies by contacting the College, Office of the Registrar at (203)-596-2177 or visiting our website at: www.nv.edu and clicking on academics/registrar.

Thank you again for being part of the NVCC community.

Sincerely,



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Dean of Student Services