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BARBARA GIBSON
Director, State Human Resources

MEMORANDUM

To: Agency & University HR Directors
Academic Assistance Program Administrators

From: Barbara Gibson, State Human Resources Director *BJ*

Date: July 21, 2020

Re: 2020 – 2021 Academic Assistance Ceiling Rates

The academic assistance reimbursement ceiling rates for the 2020–2021 fiscal year have been determined and are listed below. These rates apply to all educational institutions that are not University of North Carolina institutions or institutions of the North Carolina Community College System. Academic costs charged by institutions of the University of North Carolina and North Carolina Community College System are 100% reimbursable, if funds are available.

	Credit Hours (Per Semester)	Ceiling Rate (Per Semester)
Undergraduate	1-5	\$1,857.94
Graduate	3-5	\$3,619.82

The ceiling rates are based on the highest rate for tuition and fees charged by a University of North Carolina institution. Only academic-related fees should be considered for reimbursement. Fees associated with dormitories, athletics, student unions, cultural events, etc. should be excluded.

State policy requires each agency/ university to retain records, on a fiscal year basis, of academic assistance activity. This information is collected electronically by the Office of State Human Resources. Two links have been provided below for you to enter your Academic Assistance Program (AAP) information for the 2019–2020 fiscal year. The first link is for those who funded and disbursed funds under the AAP, and the second link is for those who did not fund or disburse funds under the AAP. Please do not include funds disbursed under tuition waiver programs or other financial aid programs not associated with your Academic Assistance Program.

- **Annual Report 1:** [Agency/ University Participation \(Funded/ Disbursed Funds\)](#)
- **Annual Report 2:** [No Agency/ University Participation \(Did Not Fund/ Did Not Disburse Funds\)](#)

Your report should be completed by **September 30, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.**

I thank you in advance for your promptness. The Academic Assistance Program contact is Cindy Webb. She can be contacted by email at cindy.webb@nc.gov and by phone at (984) 236-1025. Please contact Cindy if you have questions about the ceiling rates or the Academic Assistance Program.