Net Price Calculator Beta

Test Training

Welcome.

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Agenda:

• Housekeeping
• Net Price Calculator
• State Complaint Process
• Questions
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Raise Your Hand
Express Your Thoughts
Respond to a Poll or Question

Raise or lower your hand.

Respond to a poll or question.

Express your thoughts with emoticons!
Step Away and Return

- If you need to leave the meeting for a moment – let us know you are not participating at this time.

  - Click once to “Step Away”
  - Click again to “Return”
Background

- Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA)
  - Signed into law on August 14, 2008
  - Includes many new disclosure requirements
  - Requires that institutions have a net price calculator on their websites for full-time, first-time degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students
Background

• Requirement
  – Institutions have two (2) years from the release of the U.S. Department of Education’s template to post their calculator
  • On October 29, 2009, the Department made available a Net Price Calculator template
  • All institutions must have a net price calculator posted on their websites by October 29, 2011
Background

- Requirement
  - An institution may either use the Department’s Net Price Calculator template or it may develop its own
  - Institutionally developed calculators must include “at a minimum the same data elements” found in the Department’s Net Price Calculator template
Background

• Purpose
  – “to help current and prospective students, families, and other consumers estimate the individual net price of an institution of higher education for a student. The calculator shall be developed in a manner that enables current and prospective students, families, and consumers to determine an estimate of a current or prospective student’s individual net price at a particular institution.”
  - P.L. 110-315, sec. 132 (h) (1).
Background

- HEOA Definition of Net Price

Institution’s price of attendance for FTFT students

Price of attendance = average annual cost of tuition and fees, room and board, books, supplies, and transportation

Total need- and merit-based federal, state, and institutional grant aid awarded to FTFT students

Number of FTFT students receiving such aid
Decisions for Institutions

1. Which approach should your institution use?
   – Use the website developed by the Chancellor’s Office MIS Unit.
   – Develop your own*
     • U.S. Department of Education Net Price Calculator template
     • Use a third-party calculator
     • Update an existing calculator
     • Create a calculator in-house

*Must contain, at minimum, the same elements as the Department’s template
If you choose to create your own NPC

- Go to this link:
- You will find a link to the U.S. Dept. of Ed. template, related files, resources, minimum requirements and FAQs.
- Please contact the U.S. Dept. of Ed. with questions:
  
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The U.S. Department of Education Net Price Calculator Template was used for development

The Chancellor’s Office MIS unit developed the Net Price Calculator by college

The Department’s template is made up of two components:
• The institutional data maintenance application
• The user application.
The institutional data maintenance application

– Price of attendance

– Median amounts of grant and scholarship aid awarded to, and accepted by, first-time, full-time degree/certificate-seeking students by EFC range

The user application

– users are asked nine questions to establish the following:
  • Their dependency status
  • Their estimated cost of attendance
  • Approximated EFC
Institutional Data Maintenance

The Chancellor’s Office MIS input the **Price of attendance** using the 2009-2010 Institutional Characteristics Data from the college’s IPEDS* survey.

* Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System
Institutional Data Maintenance:

The Chancellor’s Office MIS input the median amounts of grant and scholarship aid awarded to, and accepted by, first-time, full-time degree/certificate-seeking students by EFC range using the 2009-2010 financial aid data submitted by the college.

- Create the first-time full-time student cohort
- Establish the student’s residency for fee purposes
- Retrieve the student’s financial aid data
- Calculate the median awarded by EFC, residency and dependency
Net Price Calculator Test Site:

http://testsite.cccco.edu/npc/XXX/npcalc.htm
XXX = 3 character MIS College Code

Test Site Available: NOW
Questions/Problems: cccnpc@cccco.edu
Production Date: September 15, 2011

Find your MIS college code here:
=>Click the “Appendices” tab; “A – College & District Codes”
State Complaint Process

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State Complaint Process

• Final Program Integrity Regulations, October 29, 2010
  – Section 600.9 STATE AUTHORIZATION (a) (1) An institution…is legally authorized by a State if the State has a process to review and appropriately act on complaints concerning the institution including enforcing applicable State laws…
  – Section 668.43(b) The institution must make available … contact information for filing complaints with its accreditor and with its State approval or licensing entity and any other relevant State official or agency that would appropriately handle a student’s complaint.
Complaints - continued

- **Not** just for financial aid complaints
- Must include acceditor
- May fulfill this role through a State agency or the State Attorney General as well as other appropriate State officials.
- A State may choose to have a single agency or official handle complaints regarding institutions or may use a combination of agencies and State officials.
- A State may rely on a governing board of a State-wide system of public institutions
Complaints – CCCCPO Proposal

- Complainants must follow the college/district complaint process first before escalating issues
  - Colleges should clearly define and publish their own complaint processes
- 1st referral to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC)
- 2nd referral to new web page designed by CCCCPO
- Discrimination complaints referred to existing CCCCPO web page
Complaints – Next Steps CCCC CO

• Launch web page and process for complaints
  – http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu
• Receive state approval on proposed process
• Forward state approval to U.S. Department of Education
• Officially announce process to colleges via various list serves (i.e. PIO, CSSO etc)
• May convert web page to a different application sometime later this year
Complaints – Next Steps Colleges

- Clearly define and publish college complaint process
  - Prominently displayed on home page
  - Include CCCCO link
- Inform all departments on campus of new requirements and processes
- Develop a link to the CCCCO process and web page
  - [http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu](http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu)
- Upon official announcement note any changes to process and make
Questions?