



Federal Regulations require that we notify our students that a federal or state drug conviction can disqualify a student for federal student aid.

Convictions count if they were:

- 1) For an offense that occurred for periods while enrolled, and
- 2) If during that enrollment period the student was receiving federal financial aid such as Federal Direct Loans, Pell, FSEOG, Teach Grants, or Federal Work-Study.

The chart below illustrates the period of ineligibility for federal student aid funds.

	Possession of illegal drugs	Sale of illegal drugs
1st Offense	1 year from date of conviction	2 years from date of conviction
2nd Offense	2 years from date of conviction	Indefinite Period
3rd Offense	Indefinite Period	

“A conviction for sale of drugs includes convictions for conspiring to sell drugs”

If convicted of both possessing and selling, the longer period of ineligibility applies.

A student regains eligibility the day after the period of ineligibility or when a qualified drug rehabilitation program is successfully completed. To view information on qualified rehabilitation programs and more information about eligibility for federal aid, please visit: <http://studentaid.ed.gov/eligibility/criminal-convictions>