

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION RE: Students convicted of possession or sale of drugs**

Are you aware that a federal or state drug conviction can disqualify you from receiving financial aid?

Convictions only count if they were for an offense that occurred during a period of enrollment for which you received Title IV aid—they do not count if the offense was not during such a period. Also, a conviction that was reversed, set aside, or removed from your student record does not count, nor does one received when you were a juvenile, unless you were tried as an adult.

The chart below illustrates the period of ineligibility for financial aid, depending on whether the conviction was for sale or possession and whether you had previous offenses. (A conviction for sale of drugs includes convictions for conspiring to sell drugs.)

	<b>Possession of illegal drugs</b>	<b>Sale of illegal drugs</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> offense</b>	1 year from date of conviction	2 years from date of conviction
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> offense</b>	2 years from date of conviction	Indefinite period
<b>3+ offenses</b>	Indefinite period	

If you were convicted of both possessing and selling illegal drugs, and the periods of ineligibility are different, you will be ineligible for the longer period.