



## **2011-2012 NOTIFICATION OF THE PENALTIES ASSOCIATED WITH DRUG RELATED OFFENSES**

Under HEA section 485(k)

The Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) established a requirement stating that institutions must provide all students with a separate notice containing information on the Title IV Federal Student Aid penalties associated with drug-related offenses. OHSU is sending this notification to you to comply with this requirement under the Higher Education Act (HEA).

### **Penalties Associated with Drug-Related Offenses**

A student who has been convicted of any offense under any Federal or State law involving the possession or sale of a controlled substance shall not be eligible to receive any federal Title IV grant, loan or work funds during the period beginning on the date of such conviction and ending after the interval specified in the following table:

If convicted of an offense involving:

The possession of a controlled substance:

1<sup>st</sup> offense

2<sup>nd</sup> offense

3<sup>rd</sup> offense

Ineligibility period is:

1 year from date of conviction

2 years from date of conviction

Indefinite

The sale of a controlled substance:

1<sup>st</sup> offense

2<sup>nd</sup> offense

Ineligibility period is:

2 years from date of conviction

Indefinite

A student whose eligibility has been suspended may resume eligibility before the end of the ineligibility period if:

1. The student satisfactorily completes a qualified drug rehabilitation program that complies with criteria determined by the Department of Education and includes two unannounced drug tests OR
2. The conviction is reversed, set aside, or otherwise rendered nugatory.