Drug Conviction on Title IV Eligibility

Your eligibility might be suspended if the offense occurred while you were receiving federal student aid (grants, loans, or work-study). When you complete the FAFSA, you will be asked whether you had a drug conviction for an offense that occurred while you were receiving federal student aid. If the answer is yes, you will be provided a worksheet to help you determine whether your conviction affects your eligibility for federal student aid.

If your eligibility for federal student aid has been suspended due to a drug conviction, you can regain eligibility early by successfully completing an approved drug rehabilitation program or by passing two unannounced drug tests administered by an approved drug rehabilitation program. If you regain eligibility during the award year, notify the financial aid office immediately so you can get any aid you're eligible for.

If you are convicted of a drug-related offense after you submit the FAFSA, you might lose eligibility for federal student aid, and you might be liable for returning any financial aid you received during a period of ineligibility.

Please be advised that under federal law, a recipient of Title IV financial aid who is convicted for possession and/or sale of illegal drugs while enrolled as a student at CDU will be ineligible for further Title IV funds for a fixed period of time, as indicated below.

	Possession of Illegal Drugs	Sale of Illegal Drugs
1 st Offense	1 Year from the Date of Conviction	2 Years from the Date of
		Conviction
2 nd Offense	2 Years from the Date of Conviction	Indefinite
3 rd or More Offense	Indefinite	Indefinite

* If convicted of both possession and selling illegal drugs, and the periods of ineligibility are different, the student will be ineligible for the longer period

A student regains eligibility the day after the period of ineligibility ends or when the student successfully completes a qualified drug rehabilitation program. The student will lose eligibility again upon a subsequent drug conviction.

For complete information, please contact the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-4-FED-AID