



Fact Sheet for NJ STARS II Students Beginning Enrollment at a New Jersey Four-Year Institution During the 2015-16 Academic Year

The NJ STARS II Program is a continuation of the NJ STARS Program that provides successful NJ STARS students at New Jersey county colleges with funding to transfer to a New Jersey four-year college/university to earn a bachelor's degree. The following information applies to NJ STARS II students beginning enrollment at a New Jersey four-year college or university during the 2015-16 academic year.

NJ STARS II Benefits

The NJ STARS II award will be based on tuition only, except for Tuition Aid Grant recipients who will receive NJ STARS II awards based on tuition and approved fees. The amount of the NJ STARS II award will be determined after all other State and Federal grants and scholarships are applied to these charges, not to exceed \$1,250 per semester.

The State funds 100% of the NJ STARS II award, while students will be responsible for any remaining balance. NJ STARS II awards are dependent upon annual State appropriations.

Approved Fees - Applies to NJ STARS II Students Receiving Tuition Aid Grants

All fees charged by a New Jersey four-year institution that are mandatory for attendance as well as any fees required for a specific program of study are approved.

Student Eligibility

- ◆ Students must be NJ STARS recipients or non-funded (tuition and approved fees fully covered by other State and/or Federal aid) during the semester of county college graduation.
- ◆ NJ STARS students must have graduated from a NJ county college with an associate degree and a GPA of 3.25 or higher.
- ◆ Family income (including taxable and untaxed income) must be less than \$250,000.
- ◆ Students must be admitted to a New Jersey four-year institution that participates in the Tuition Aid Grant (TAG) Program. **Note:** NJ STARS eligibility does not guarantee admission to a New Jersey four-year college or university.
- ◆ Students must begin NJ STARS II program participation no later than the second semester immediately following county college graduation.
- ◆ Students must be enrolled in a full-time course of study (minimum 12 college-level credits) each semester.
- ◆ Students must apply for all forms of State and Federal need-based grants and merit scholarships and submit any requested documentation to complete or verify application data within established State deadlines.