

Revisions to the 2010-11 Student Support Services (SSS) Program Annual Performance Report (APR)

What is the purpose of the APR?

- To determine grantees' compliance with requirements of the program
- To assess the extent to which grantees have met their targets for the program's objectives
- To calculate prior experience points
- To generate data on the SSS program as a whole for periodic publications and in response to the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) and the (Higher Education Opportunity Act) HEOA Reports to Congress

Why did the APR get redesigned?

- To reflect the new standard objectives used in the 2010 competition (i.e., prior experience points)
- To simplify the calculation of PE using one field for the numerator and one field for the denominator.
- To streamline the data collection process for grantees (e.g., group fields based on required annual updates)
- To review periodically federal efforts to collect information as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act

What was the APR Approval Process?

- Two Public Comment Periods:
 - 60-Day—March 2011
 - 30-Day—May 2011
 - OMB approval—July 2011
- The final version of the SSS APR form and instructions is be posted on the TRIO Web at: www.ed.gov/ope/trio

What are the new APR reporting requirements?

- 4-year institutions must keep a student's record for a period of six (6) years
- 2-year institutions must keep a student's records for a period of four (4) years

To the extent possible, projects should report the academic standing, GPA, and student aid information for prior-year participants still enrolled

How is the APR structured?

What are the key revisions? (*Field numbers with an asterisk indicate new or revised fields.*)

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Section I, Part 1—Project Identification/Characteristics and Part 2—Project Services Certification and Warning Statements

Field #	Field Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?
1	PR/Award Number	No	N/A
2*	Type of Institution	New (pre-populated)	Readily identify project
3*	Project Type	New (pre-populated)	Readily identify project
4	Reporting Period	No	N/A
5*	GPA Scale	Revised (drop down list)	Simplify reporting requirements
6	Name of Grantee Institution	No	N/A
7	Address	No	N/A
8	Project Director Information	No	N/A
9	Data entry person information	No	N/A

Section I, Part 1 & 2--Continued

Field #	Field Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?
10a	Has Summer Bridge	No	N/A
10b*	Number in Summer Bridge	Revised	Simplify reporting requirements
10c	Federal funds for Grant Aid	No	N/A
10d*	Matching Funds for Grant Aid	New	Project compliance
10e*	Dollar Amount Matching Funds	New	Project compliance
10f	Institutional or Other Non-Federal Funds	No	N/A
10g	Amount of institutional or other non-Federal funds	No	N/A
Section 1, Part 2*	Project Required Services	New	Project compliance

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II.A. Project Identifiers (pre-populated)

Field #	Field Name	Data Base Column Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?	Is this field used to calculate PE?
1	PR/Award Number	PR	No	N/A	No
2	Batch Year	BatchAY	No	N/A	No

II.B. Participant Demographic Information, Eligibility, Cohort Status, and Project Entry Information (Fields #3 - #21 do not require annual updates.)

Field #	Field Name	Data Base Column Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?	Is this field used to calculate PE?
3	Social Security Number	SSN	No, but no change will be allowed to the data submitted in subsequent reporting years	Track participant	No
4	Student's Last Name	LastNM	Same as above	Track participant	No

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5	Student's First Name	FirstNM	Same as above	Track participant	No
6	Student's Middle Initial	MI	No	N/A	No
7	Student's Date of Birth	DOB	Same as #3, 4, & 5	Track participant	No
8	Gender	GenderCD	No	N/A	No
9*	Ethnicity— Hispanic	Hispanic	Revised Two part Question based "Yes" or "No" response	New Federal guidelines	No
10*	Race— American Indian/Alaskan Native	AmIndAK	Same as above	New Federal guidelines	No

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11*	Race—Asian	Asian	Same as above	New Federal guidelines	No
12*	Race—Black or African American	BlackAfrAm	Same as above	New Federal guidelines	No
13*	Race—White	White	Same as above	New Federal guidelines	No
14*	Race—Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	HIPacIslndr	Same as above	New Federal guidelines	No
15	Eligibility	EligibilityCD	No	N/A	No
16*	Academic Need	NeedCD	Revised (option #6).	Clarify	No

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Field #	Field Name	Data Base Column Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?	Is this field used to calculate PE?
17	First Enrollment Date	FirstEnrollDT	No	N/A	No
18	Date of First Project Service	FirstServiceDT	No	N/A	No
19	College Grade Level (<i>entry into project</i>)	EnterGradeLV	No	N/A	No
20*	Enrollment Status (<i>in academic year first served</i>)	FirstServEnrollCD	New	Establish cohort for GPRA and other analyses requirements	No
21*	Student Cohort Year	StuCohortYR	Revised. Options: 1 = Other (prior to 2005-06) 2 thru 6 = No longer used	Streamline the PE calculation process	Yes, it is used to establish the cohort for the completion objectives (i.e., the denominator).

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II.C. Participant’s Status and Academic Status

The following fields (#22 - #25) may require annual updates, dependent on a per-participant basis.

Field #	Field Name	Data Base Column Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?	Is this field used to calculate PE?
22*	Participant Status	PartCD	Revised. Deleted option 6 and 7 Replaced #5 with #8 and #9	Data reporting issues with reentries. Streamline the PE calculation process	Yes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funded # Req’t • It is used to determine the denominator for GAS and persistence objectives.
23*	Enrollment Status (at end of the academic year)	EnrollCD	Revised Option #10 only for new summer participants not earning college credit	Differentiate between new summer earning and not earning credits for GPRA, etc.	No

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Field #	Field Name	Data Base Column Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?	Is this field used to calculate PE?
24*	Academic Standing	AcamStandCD	Revised. Added an option (10 for new summer not earning college credits) New req't—Report status for prior-year participants	Streamline the PE calculation process Data analyses	Yes, it is used to determine the numerator for GAS objective.
25*	Cumulative GPA	CumGPA	Revised. Report GPA for prior-year participants	Data analyses	No

II.D. Academic Progress/Persistence

The following fields (#26 - #34) may require annual updates, dependent on a per-participant basis.

Field #	Field Name	Data Base Column Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?	Is this field used to calculate PE?
26*	College Grade Level <i>(at the beginning of the academic year)</i>	BegCurrent GradeLV	New	Data analyses purposes	No

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Field #	Field Name	Data Base Column Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?	Is this field used to calculate PE?
27*	College Grade Level <i>(at the end of the academic year)</i>	Current GradeLV	Renumbered options and Revised Option #10 (formerly #15)—for new summer participants not earning college credit only	Differentiate between new summers earning and not earning credit	No
28	Date of Last Project Service	LastSerDT	No	N/A	No
29	Reason for Withdrawal or Did not return	ReaforWith	No	N/A	No
30	Transfers	Transfers	No	N/A	No

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Field #	Field Name	Data Base Column Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?	Is this field used to calculate PE?
31*	Undergraduate Degree/Certificate Completed at Grantee Institution	DegreeCD	Revised 1. Options 1 and 2 2. Option 3 no longer used 3. Added options #10 and #11	Streamline the PE calculation process	Yes, it is used to determine the numerator for the completion objectives.
32	Date of Undergraduate Degree	DOUD	No	N/A	No
33*	Field of Study Degree/Certificate Earned	DegCertField Ernd	New	Data analyses purposes	No

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34*	Persistence Status (at beginning of 2011-12 academic year)	CurPerstStatus	Revised	Streamline the PE calculation process	Yes, it is used to determine the numerator for the persistence objective.

II.E. Student Financial Assistance

Fields #35 and #36 require annual updates and should be completed for current year participants and prior-year participants still enrolled.

Field #	Field Name	Data Base Column Name	Was the field revised or is the field new?	What was the reason(s) for revision/addition?	Is this field used to calculate PE?
35*	Amount of Financial Aid Received	FinAidRecvd	New	Data reporting issues	No
36	Amount of SSS Grand Aid Award	SSSGrantAid	No	N/A	No

Which fields have been deleted?

- Formerly field #20—Persistence/Graduation Status at end of academic year
- Formerly field #29--Amount of Financial Aid Needed
- Formerly field #30—Amount of Financial Aid Package

What are the important SSS APR Dates?

- Student Record Verification Process (Tier 1A):
 - Start Date: November, 2011
 - Due Date: December, 2011
- APR Data Submission:
 - Start Date: February 21, 2012
 - Due Date: March 21, 2012

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