

<b>FLORIDA</b>	<b>OFFICIAL</b>
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<b>Subject/Title: First Generation Matching Grant</b>
<b>FPU Policy Number: FPU-7.00254P</b>
<b>X New Policy</b> <b>Major Revision of Policy</b> <b>Minor Technical Revision of Policy</b>
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<b>Responsible Division/Department: Office of Financial Aid</b>
<b>Initiating Authority: Dr. Ghazi Darkazalli, Executive VP &amp; Provost</b>

**A. APPLICABILITY/ACCOUNTABILITY:**

This policy is applicable to all prospective and current students enrolled at Florida Polytechnic University.

**B. POLICY STATEMENT:**

1. Students enrolled in the University who show financial need, and meet additional eligibility requirements, may be selected to receive the First Generation Matching Grant as established under Florida Statutes section 1009.701.
2. To receive the First Generation Matching Grant, a student must meet all requirements as provided in Florida Statutes Sections 1009.701 and 1009.40. A students must also meet the additional requirements as provided below:
  - (a) The student must not have any academic or non-academic code of conduct violations against his/her student account resulting in a suspension or greater penalty from the University. A student who is awarded a First Generation Matching Grant and then receives a code of conduction violation which results in the student’s suspension or a greater penalty will have his/her future disbursements cancelled.

**C. PROCEDURES**

1. Application Process:  
Students who wish to apply for the First Generation Matching grant must submit a FAFSA for the current academic year. A separate application for the First Generation Matching Grant is not required; any student who is eligible to receive funding under this program will be automatically considered for the First Generation Matching Grant upon receipt of their FAFSA. Preference will be given to students who have high financial need.
2. Selection Process:  
The Office of Financial Aid may select students to receive this award based on their financial need and submission of their FAFSA. Funds may be awarded to students who show the highest level of financial need, and have met all the eligibility requirements. Funding for awards may be distributed to incoming and returning students. Funds may be distributed to students starting in the fall or spring semester.
3. Award Terms and Conditions:  
Students who meet eligibility requirements and have been selected, may receive up to a maximum of \$2000 for the Financial Aid Year. Award amounts are split between the fall

and spring semesters. Students are not eligible to receive the award in the summer semesters.

To be selected to receive the First Generation Matching Grant, a student must have financial need. A student may not receive First Generation Matching funds that exceed his/her financial need. Students must have at least \$200 in financial need to be considered eligible for the award.

The First Generation Matching Grant is non-renewable. However, a student may be selected to receive the award in multiple years over the course of his/her enrollment. Award amounts may vary between years. To be considered for the award a student must submit a new FAFSA every year.

POLICY APPROVAL	
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