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BC Resolution # 04-22-26-F Higher Education Grant Law

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1, of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** the purpose of this Law is to implement the Higher Education Grant program; and set forth the funding requirements and procedural controls for awarding Higher Education grants; and
- WHEREAS,** the Law clearly articulates the Nation's purpose and policy concerning the Higher Education Grant; and
- WHEREAS,** the Law delegates rulemaking authority to the Higher Education Office to:
- Clearly describe the documents required to complete the Higher Education Student File;
 - Address how funding periods are calculated;
 - Address funding cap amounts for the following tiers:
 - associate degree, vocational or certificate program;
 - undergraduate degree;
 - graduate degree;
 - doctoral degree;
 - Clearly describe application requirements and process;
 - Clearly describe the appeals process;
 - Additional rules may be promulgated, provided they do not conflict with any provision of this law; and
- WHEREAS,** the Law clearly describes funding eligibility requirements as follows:
- be an enrolled member of the Nation.
 - be enrolled in an accredited postsecondary vocational program, college, or university.
 - complete the Higher Education Student File with the Higher Education Office.
 - comply with FAFSA standards.

- be pursuing a degree in a higher funding tier than any previously earned degree, unless they have remaining credits available under their current tier pursuant to 1005.5-2.
- meet GPA requirements, as follows:
 - associate degree, vocational or certificate program must maintain a GPA of 2.0.
 - undergraduate students must maintain a GPA of 2.0.
 - graduate students must maintain a GPA of 3.0.
 - doctoral students must maintain a GPA of 3.0; except where: The school's grading policy considers professional doctoral students (MDs and JDs) to be in good academic standing even with a GPA below 3.0.
 - apprenticeship/certificate/license students must maintain academic progress and submit scheduled/monthly progress reports; and

WHEREAS, the Law explicitly states funding duration as determined by the maximum allowable credit allocation per tier, as follows:

- ninety (90) credits for an associate degree, vocational or certificate program.
- one hundred fifty (150) credits for an undergraduate degree.
- sixty (60) credits for a graduate degree.
- one hundred twenty (120) credits for a doctoral degree; and

WHEREAS, the Law defines "probation" and clearly describes when a student may be placed on probation; and

WHEREAS, the Law provides a clear explanation of how the grant award amount is calculated, as follows:

- The minimum award package shall consist of:
 - Full-time students shall receive funding for tuition, fees, books, and room and board up to the funding cap amount for their program.
 - Part-time students shall receive funding for tuition, fees, and books up to the funding cap amount for their program.
 - Students taking one (1) to five (5) credits shall receive funding for tuition, fees, and books up to the funding cap for their program.
- If the student's financial need, as determined by the financial needs analysis, exceeds the minimum award package, the student shall receive an award equal to their financial need, up to the maximum allowed by the funding tier cap.
 - A full-time student's award may also cover transportation and personal/miscellaneous expenses.
 - A part-time student's award may also cover room and board, transportation and personal/miscellaneous expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Law clearly describes how a student may appeal a grant decision made by the Higher Education Office; and

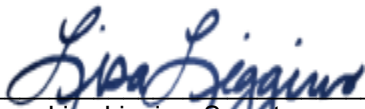
WHEREAS, the Law clearly describes how it may be enforced; and

- WHEREAS,** the Legislative Operating Committee developed the proposed through collaboration with representatives from the Higher Education Office, Education and Training, Oneida Law Office, CEO; and
- WHEREAS,** in accordance with the Legislative Procedures Act a legislative analysis and fiscal impact statement were completed for the proposed ; and
- WHEREAS,** the Legislative Operating Committee held a public meeting on the proposed on November 14, 2025, with three (3) individuals providing oral comments, and the public comment period for the amendments to this Law was held open until November 21, 2025, with one (1) individual providing written comments; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee hereby adopts the amendments to the Higher Education Grant Law, which shall become effective on April 22, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum; 6 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 22nd day of April, 2026; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.



Lisa Liggins, Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."