

SECTION: YG 5A	SUBJECT: Full-time studies
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**LEGAL REFERENCE:**

Section 1 of *the Students Financial Assistance Act, Student Grant Regulations*

**POLICY:**

The *Regulations* state an “approved program of studies” means a full-time post-secondary program of a minimum of 12 weeks’ duration. This policy provides clarification of full-time in the *Regulations*.

Generally, institutions consider a student taking 60% of a full-course load to be a full-time student. This allows students the ability to take additional upgrading or pre-requisite courses while still being considered a full-time student. As well, most institutions have a policy for students with disabilities to be enrolled in a 40% course load and still be considered full-time.

**GUIDELINES:**

Students must be enrolled in a program of studies that leads to a certificate, diploma or degree.

Students must meet the institutional definition of full-time post-secondary student status in order to be eligible to receive the Yukon Grant.

**APPEALS:**

The Students Financial Assistance Committee will hear all appeals that do not conform with this policy.

**APPROVED:**

**EFFECTIVE DATE:**

Gordon McDevitt

June 28, 2007

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Deputy Minister of Education