

# NDUS State Aid Updates

NDASFAA Conference  
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## State Aid Programs

**Primary Aid Programs:**

- State Grant (SSIG)
- Supplemental State Grant (SUP SSIG)
- ND/Academic/ CTE Scholarships
- ND Scholars Program
- Dual Credit Tuition Scholarship
- Native American Scholarship
- ND Career Builders (NDCB)Scholarship

**Other Programs:**

- ND Career Builders (NDCB) Loan Repayment
- Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP)
- Tribally Controlled Colleges Assistance Grant
- ND-MN Reciprocity



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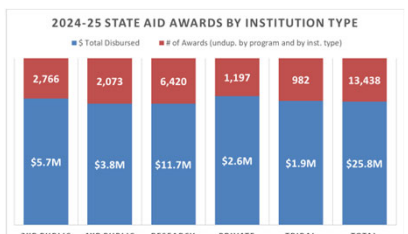
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## State Aid Volume – Primary Programs

2024-25 STATE AID AWARDS BY INSTITUTION TYPE



Institution Type	\$ Total Disbursed	# of Awards
2YR PUBLIC	\$5.7M	2,766
4YR PUBLIC	\$3.8M	2,073
RESEARCH	\$11.7M	6,420
PRIVATE	\$2.6M	1,197
TRIBAL	\$1.9M	982
TOTAL	\$25.8M	13,438



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### State Aid Volume – Primary Programs

33% growth since 2020 while student counts flat

- 2020-2021 \$20.6M; 11,897
- 2021-2022 \$22.5M; 14,146
- 2022-2023 \$22.3M; 13,507
- 2023-2024 \$25.6M; 13,085
- 2024-2025 \$25.8M; 13,438
- 2025-26 est. \$27.4M; 13,450



Counts unduplicated by program and by institution. Excludes "other" programs.



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### ND SAMS Updates



#### Supplemental State Grant (SUP SSIG)

- SUP SSIG Modifications**
- Modified ND SAMS to calculate based on terms versus full year
  - More accurate calculations
  - Offers versus projected disbursements should be more aligned
  - Implemented for **2026-27**
  - Calculator for institutions - Crystal

- SUP SSIG LEU Clarification**
- Students reaching SSIG LEU retain SUP SSIG for spring term

- SUP SSIG Award Timing**
- Goal: **May 2026**
  - No summer SUP SSIG



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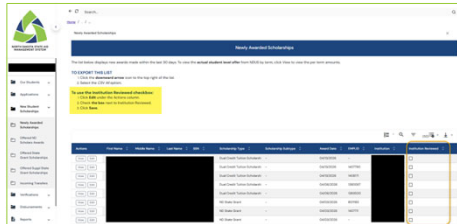
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### ND SAMS Updates

Newly Awarded Scholarship - New Review Option!



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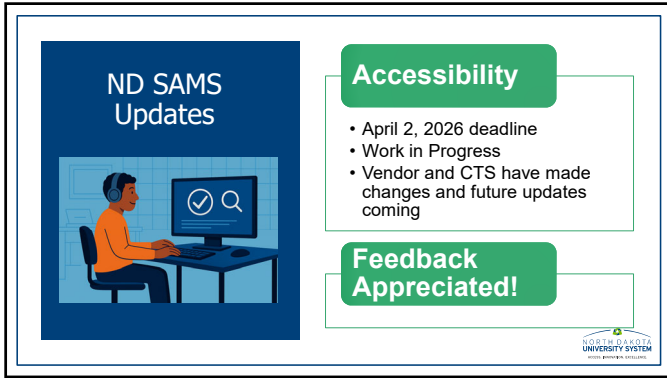
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**ND SAMS Updates**

**Accessibility**

- April 2, 2026 deadline
- Work in Progress
- Vendor and CTS have made changes and future updates coming

**Feedback Appreciated!**

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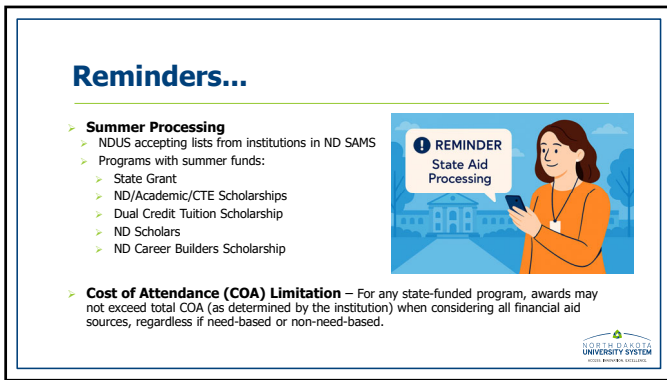
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**Reminders...**

- **Summer Processing**
  - NDUS accepting lists from institutions in ND SAMS
  - Programs with summer funds:
    - State Grant
    - ND/Academic/CTE Scholarships
    - Dual Credit Tuition Scholarship
    - ND Scholars
    - ND Career Builders Scholarship
- **Cost of Attendance (COA) Limitation** – For any state-funded program, awards may not exceed total COA (as determined by the institution) when considering all financial aid sources, regardless if need-based or non-need-based.

**REMINDER**  
State Aid Processing

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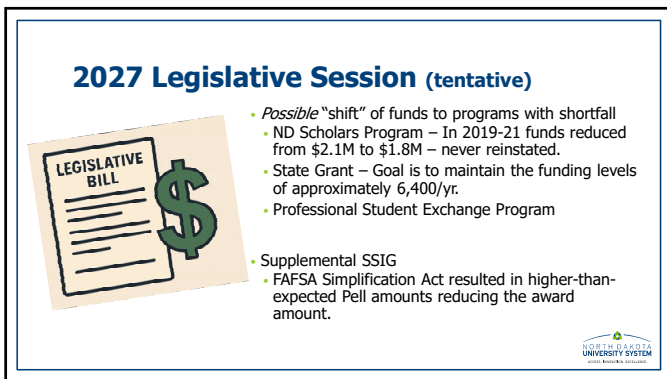
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**2027 Legislative Session (tentative)**

- Possible "shift" of funds to programs with shortfall
  - ND Scholars Program – In 2019-21 funds reduced from \$2.1M to \$1.8M – never reinstated.
  - State Grant – Goal is to maintain the funding levels of approximately 6,400/yr.
  - Professional Student Exchange Program
- Supplemental SSIG
  - FAFSA Simplification Act resulted in higher-than-expected Pell amounts reducing the award amount.

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### 2027 Legislative Session (tentative)

- ND Scholars
  - Remove the "stipend" language
  - Modify the program to include programs beyond undergraduate
- NDCB Scholarship
  - Eliminate the rule that limits scholarship to 4 payments
  - Update MSN residency to match other occupations
- NDCB Scholarship & Loan Repayment
  - Request continuing appropriation to fund the program
  - Marketing funds
- PSEP
  - Define "residency" for this program

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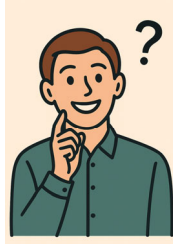
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### 2027 Legislative Session (tentative)



**Be in the "Know"**

- Higher Education Institutions Committee
  - **June 2026** meeting
- 70<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session
  - **January 5, 2027**

**What Now?**

- Provide feedback
- Listen to hearings (virtual options)
  - <https://video.ndlegis.gov/>



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