Ohio Revised Code
Section 3345.061 Sunset for state operating subsidies for remedial courses.
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(A) Ohio's two-year institutions of higher education are respected points of entry for students embarking on post-secondary careers and courses completed at those institutions are transferable to state universities in accordance with articulation and transfer agreements developed under sections 3333.16, 3333.161, and 3333.162 of the Revised Code.

(B) Beginning with undergraduate students who commence undergraduate studies in the 2014-2015 academic year, no state university listed in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, except Central state university, Shawnee state university, and Youngstown state university, shall receive any state operating subsidies for any academic remedial or developmental courses for undergraduate students, including courses prescribed in division (C) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code, offered at its main campus, except as provided in divisions (B)(1) to (4) of this section.

1) In the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 academic years, a state university may receive state operating subsidies for academic remedial or developmental courses completed at the main campus for not more than three per cent of the total undergraduate credit hours provided by the university at its main campus.

2) In the 2016-2017 academic year, a state university may receive state operating subsidies for academic remedial or developmental courses completed at the main campus for not more than fifteen per cent of the first-year students who have graduated from high school within the previous twelve months and who are enrolled in the university at its main campus, as calculated on a full-time-equivalent basis.

3) In the 2017-2018 academic year, a state university may receive state operating subsidies for academic remedial or developmental courses completed at the main campus for not more than ten per cent of the first-year students who have graduated from high school within the previous twelve months and who are enrolled in the university at its main campus, as calculated on a full-time-equivalent basis.
(4) In the 2018-2019 academic year, a state university may receive state operating subsidies for academic remedial or developmental courses completed at the main campus for not more than five per cent of the first-year students who have graduated from high school within the previous twelve months and who are enrolled in the university at its main campus, as calculated on a full-time-equivalent basis.

Each state university may continue to offer academic remedial and developmental courses at its main campus beyond the extent for which state operating subsidies may be paid under this division and may continue to offer such courses beyond the 2018-2019 academic year. However, the main campus of a state university shall not receive any state operating subsidies for such courses above the maximum amounts permitted in this division.

(C) Except as otherwise provided in division (B) of this section, beginning with students who commence undergraduate studies in the 2014-2015 academic year, state operating subsidies for academic remedial or developmental courses offered by state institutions of higher education may be paid only to Central state university, Shawnee state university, Youngstown state university, any university branch, any community college, any state community college, or any technical college.

(D) Each state university shall grant credit for academic remedial or developmental courses successfully completed at an institution described in division (C) of this section pursuant to any applicable articulation and transfer agreements the university has entered into in accordance with policies and procedures adopted under section 3333.16, 3333.161, or 3333.162 of the Revised Code.

(E) The chancellor of higher education shall do all of the following:

(1) Withhold state operating subsidies for academic remedial or developmental courses provided by a main campus of a state university as required in order to conform to divisions (B) and (C) of this section;

(2) Adopt uniform statewide standards for academic remedial and developmental courses offered by all state institutions of higher education;
(3) Encourage and assist in the design and establishment of academic remedial and developmental courses by institutions of higher education;

(4) Define "academic year" for purposes of this section and section 3345.06 of the Revised Code;

(5) Encourage and assist in the development of articulation and transfer agreements between state universities and other institutions of higher education in accordance with policies and procedures adopted under sections 3333.16, 3333.161, and 3333.162 of the Revised Code.

(F) Not later than December 31, 2012, the presidents, or equivalent position, of all state institutions of higher education, or their designees, jointly shall establish uniform statewide standards in mathematics, science, reading, and writing each student enrolled in a state institution of higher education must meet to be considered in remediation-free status. The presidents also shall establish assessments, if they deem necessary, to determine if a student meets the standards adopted under this division. Each institution is responsible for assessing the needs of its enrolled students in the manner adopted by the presidents. The board of trustees or managing authority of each state institution of higher education shall adopt the remediation-free status standard, and any related assessments, into the institution's policies.

The chancellor shall assist in coordinating the work of the presidents under this division. The chancellor shall monitor the standards in mathematics, science, reading, and writing established under division (F) of this section to ensure that the standards adequately demonstrate a student's remediation-free status.

(G) Each year, not later than a date established by the chancellor, each state institution of higher education shall report to the governor, the general assembly, the chancellor, and the superintendent of public instruction all of the following for the prior academic year:

(1) The institution's aggregate costs for providing academic remedial or developmental courses;

(2) The amount of those costs disaggregated according to the city, local, or exempted village school districts from which the students taking those courses received their high school diplomas;
(3) Any other information with respect to academic remedial and developmental courses that the chancellor considers appropriate.

(H) Not later than December 31, 2011, and the thirty-first day of each December thereafter, the chancellor and the superintendent of public instruction shall issue a report recommending policies and strategies for reducing the need for academic remediation and developmental courses at state institutions of higher education.

(I) As used in this section, "state institution of higher education" has the same meaning as in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.