FINANCIAL AID

See Financial Aid information posted in the above section of this catalog. Information on financial aid that is different at the graduate level, is found below.

Credit Load

Students who enroll in fewer than 6 credits per term are considered to be part-time students. Completion of all degree requirements, except MSC (60 credit hours), may be accomplished in two calendar years of full-time enrollment. Two courses per term, including summers, enables the candidate to complete a graduate program in two years. Primary responsibility for progress through program requirements rests with the individual student. Graduate faculty members provide guidance; however, progress depends on the student's own initiative.

Weekend and Evening Schedule

For candidates who work Monday through Friday and/or who must commute long distances, the graduate program schedules classes on weekends and on weekday evenings. All graduate programs are available by distance learning. Refer to the current course schedule for details.

Disbursement of Funds

Funds are disbursed at the beginning of each semester after registration has been finalized, normally the 11th class day. Grants, scholarships, and student loans will be credited towards tuition and fees first. Any remaining balance after tuition and fees are paid will be refunded to the student for other educational expenses. Excess university institutional funds will not be calculated into a student refund. Wages earned in the student work program will be paid on a bi-weekly basis.

Fair Notice

The University reserves the right to revise any financial aid award. Modification of awards may be required due to lack of federal aid, corrections or changes in the data reported to the University by parents and/or students, receipt of additional awards from non-college sources, unintended error, student changes in credit load, change in residence, or other reasons consistent with federal law or University policies and procedures. Policies regarding financial aid are subject to change without advance notice if required by federal law, University policy, or the Financial Aid Office.

Veterans as Graduate Students

Inquiries about the educational benefits for veterans attending the University should be addressed to the VA Coordinator/school certifying official. Veterans must inform the School Certifying Official if they wish to be "certified" for VA benefits before the beginning of the term; they must also inform the School Certifying Official if they drop or add any credits during the term.

Veterans are advised to check with the Veterans Affairs Coordinator in the Financial Aid Office, located in Argo Central, 45-60 days before registering.