Appeal of Loss of Financial Aid Due to Unusual Enrollment History

At Holyoke Community College, we want to make sure that everyone has an equal chance to go to college, no matter who they are. We know that getting money to pay for college is important, so we promise to be fair when we give out financial aid. We also want to make sure that trans and gender-expansive students don’t face any barriers in accessing financial aid. If you have questions or concerns about this, you can talk to the financial aid office.

The United States Department of Education has determined an unusual enrollment history with regard to the receipt of Federal Pell Grant and/or federal student loan funds. If you did not earn academic credit at your previous institutions during the previous four year award periods (award years 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023 and 2023-2024) you may submit an appeal explaining the reasons for the failure to earn academic credit.

To appeal the loss of financial aid due to unusual enrollment, please explain in a typed, signed statement what prevented you from earning academic credit at each previously attended institution(s) and attach supporting documentation (examples may include: illness, a family emergency, a change in where student is living, unexpected academic challenges, and military obligations). Third party documentation should be included to support your explanation. Attach your typed, signed statement to this form and return it to the Financial Aid Office (Frost 201).

The determination of the appeal is final and not appealable to the Department of Education. Students denied by Holyoke Community College may regain eligibility for the future by successful completion of academic credit.

Student Name: ____________________________________________ Student ID: __________________________

Academic Program: _________________________________________