Appendix A

SECTION E. JOINT ADMISSIONS TUITION ADVANTAGE PROGRAM

DEFINITIONS:

ELIGIBLE STUDENT:

A. A student enrolled in a State College who has:

1. completed an associate degree at a public community college within the prior calendar year as a participant in a Joint Admissions Program with a minimum of a 3.0 cumulative grade point average.

2. presented the receiving institution documentation of Tuition Advantage Program eligibility, to include transcripts demonstrating compliance with Joint Admissions Agreement requirements.

B. Upon approval of the University of Massachusetts Board of Trustees to become a participant in the Joint Admissions Tuition Advantage Program, a student enrolled in the University who has:

1. completed an associate degree at a public community college within the prior calendar year as a participant in a Joint Admissions Program with a minimum of a 3.0 cumulative grade point average.

2. presented the receiving institution documentation of Tuition Advantage Program eligibility, to include transcripts demonstrating compliance with Joint Admissions Agreement requirements.

Award Value: Students eligible for the Tuition Advantage Program will be entitled to a tuition waiver equal to 33% of the resident tuition rate at a state college or participating university for the two (2) years which immediately follow their community college enrollment. The tuition waiver for the second year of matriculation is contingent upon the student obtaining a cumulative 3.0 grade point average for the first two semesters of enrollment at the state college or university.
Audit: 

A. It shall be the responsibility of each state college and university to maintain adequate documentation of a student's Tuition Advantage Program eligibility.

B. The Chancellor shall require each campus to furnish annually by August 31 a report detailing the number of Tuition Advantage Program recipients for the previous academic year.

C. All financial books, records and documents pertaining to this program shall at all times be open to inspection, review and audit by the Chancellor, the State Auditor or their authorized representatives who shall have access to the premises wherever such books, records and documents are located. The institution shall retain such financial books, records and documents for seven years. An institution may retain such records for a period of five years if approval is received from the Records Conservation Board in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 30, Section 42.