

# Federal Work Study (FWS) Estimates: Notes

## Data Sources/Years:

- **FWS Awards:** FSA Data Center, Title IV Program Volume Reports, Campus-Based Volume, AY 2015-2016 (the most recently available).
- **Graduate Only Institutions (Institutional Category), 2014 Total Cohort Graduation Rate 150%, 2015 Total Cohort Graduation Rate 150%:** IPEDS, Collection Year 2015
- **Pell Grant Volume:** FSA Data Center, Title IV Program Volume Reports, Grant Volume, AY 2015-2016, Q4, Award Year Summary, Award Year Cumulative Activity through Quarter Ending 6/30/2016

## Assumptions

- We assumed no change in federal appropriations to the FWS program at any point.

<b>Total Federal Award 15-16</b>	<b>\$978,026,132.00</b>
Reserve Calculation	\$978,026,132.00
	\$700,000,000.00
Exceeds 700,000,000	\$278,026,132.00
20% =	\$55,605,226.40
<b>Total Reserve AMT</b>	<b>\$55,605,226.40</b>
<b>AMT Available for BG + FS</b>	<b>\$922,420,905.60</b>

- We removed institutions coded as graduate only by IPEDS (around 120).
- Institutional participation in FWS was held constant across all years (N = 3,114).
- To disseminate the Fair Share: Pell, Pell disbursements data were pulled for the 2015-2016 academic year and were used for each year of the simulation.
- To disseminate the Fair Share: Need we used older FISAP data and current-law institutional need calculation, and assigned missing institutions the minimum value of \$12,500. These data are not publicly available so we relied on historical data from an earlier request. Again, these data were used for each year of the simulation.
- Allocation of the reserve funds would be based on improvements in the graduation rate of Pell Grant recipients and/or their continued enrollment in a participating program within 150% of normal time. This information is not currently available.
  - For the simulation, total cohort graduation rates (150%) for 2014 and 2015 were used. Institutions that had an 8% or higher growth in graduation rates (top 10%) were made eligible for reserve funds. Graduation rate information was held constant over all years of the simulation.
- This analysis assumes that institutions will request and/or take all funds available to them because the proposed FWS authorization level would include the current law FSEOG authority. Some institutions may not request all that they are eligible for, others may not have the capacity to handle the increased dollars including the ability to meet the new matching requirements.