

**UW-STOUT Multicultural Student Services  
ADVANCED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM (AOP)  
LAWTON UNDERGRADUATE MINORITY RETENTION GRANT PROGRAM (LUMRG)  
GUIDELINES 2009-2010**

**Partnership Guidelines:**

- Both AOP and UMRG are administered in a partnership arrangement between Multicultural Student Services and the Financial Aid Department
- Multicultural Student Services and the Financial Aid Department will determine the eligibility criteria guidelines for both AOP and LUMRG
- Multicultural Student Services is responsible for promoting AOP and LUMRG
- Multicultural Student Services is responsible for processing applications and certification materials for AOP and LUMRG
- Multicultural Student Services will monitor and track: length of eligibility, initial and continuing awards, limited 10% funding awards, and eligibility criteria
- Multicultural Student Services coordinator will certify to the financial aid office that the student is eligible to be considered for AOP/LUMRG awards, meeting all criteria in the guidelines
- Financial Aid coordinator will determine whether the student has need as demonstrated by the FAFSA, is making satisfactory academic progress per the federal guidelines and that all aid/resources are within the student's cost of attendance
- Financial Aid Department is responsible for administering the awards through the financial aid office

**Additional Eligibility Criteria and Guidelines:**

- 1) The AOP/LUMRG committee is authorized to make equitable decisions for special circumstances
- 2) Funding limits for AOP and LUMRG will be encumbered for students based on their submitted Enrollment Clarification Forms and a copy of their submitted semester schedule to include fall, spring and summer terms
  - a) For AOP, priority consideration for summer funding is given to student that are required to attend summer classes for their programs
- 3) The AOP guidelines for summer term is as follows:
  - a) Summer term funding limit is not to exceed the cost of tuition and fees
  - b) Funding limit and years of eligibility will be prorated for summer term
- 4) The LUMRG guidelines for summer term is as follows:
  - a) Summer term funding limit is not to exceed the cost of tuition and fees
  - b) Funding limit and years of eligibility will be prorated for summer term
- 5) A limit of 10% of the total LUMRG allocated funding for UW-Stout can be awarded to out-of-state minority students that meet eligibility criteria and guidelines
- 6) A cumulative GPA of 2.5 is required to receive LUMRG funding
- 7) Up to 10% of the total LUMRG allocated funding for UW-Stout will be awarded to minority students that were denied an award letter because of their GPA and have gone through an appeal process.
  - a) Students meeting this criteria must have a GPA of less than 2.50
  - b) Students that have a GPA of less than 2.50 and meet eligibility criteria and guidelines, with the exception of GPA, must do the following in order to be considered for an award:
    - i) Submit an LUMRG Appeal Application
    - ii) Agree to the conditions of the Multicultural Student Services Academic Contract for the academic year
- 8) The maximum LUMRG award will be \$1,200