

in credit. If conciliation efforts fail, public hearings may be scheduled and orders resulting from such hearings are subject to judicial review. The ICRC conducts training and outreach to prevent and eliminate discrimination and to educate stakeholder groups on civil rights laws and policies.

The commission consists of seven members appointed by the Governor to staggered terms of four years subject to the advice and consent of the Senate. No more than four members of the commission shall belong to the same political party, and its membership shall represent as wide an area as practical. Commission officers are elected by the members and serve for one year starting on May 1. The executive director is appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

## COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION

§261.1

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Janet L. Adams, Chair.....	Webster City.....	June 30, 2010
Timothy Cole.....	Cedar Falls.....	June 30, 2011
Michelle Durand-Adams.....	Waukeee.....	June 30, 2010
Crystal Ford.....	Cedar Falls.....	June 30, 2013
Terrence Martin.....	Johnston.....	June 30, 2013
Frederick Moore.....	Storm Lake.....	June 30, 2011
Tara Richards.....	Des Moines.....	June 30, 2010
Robert Donley, designee of Board of Regents.....		April 30, 2011
Roger Utman, designee of Director of Education.....		Statutory

### *Ex officio, nonvoting members from the General Assembly:*

<i>Senate</i>		
Randy Feenstra.....	Hull.....	January 10, 2011
Herman C. Quirnbach.....	Ames.....	January 10, 2011
<i>House</i>		
Greg Forristall.....	Macedonia.....	January 10, 2011
Cindy Winckler.....	Davenport.....	January 10, 2011

The Iowa College Student Aid Commission supports postsecondary education in Iowa by administering income-sensitive student financing that promotes access and academic choice, academic recognition, and professional staffing in critical shortage fields; providing coordinated information describing student aid programs and Iowa's postsecondary education; effectively and efficiently administering existing programs authorized by state and federal governments; and continually evaluating and promoting changes to improve student assistance programs.

The commission is responsible for planning and administering programs of assistance to both public and independent colleges and universities throughout Iowa. Represented on the 14-member commission are the Board of Regents, the Department of Education, Iowa independent colleges and universities, Iowa community colleges, each house of the General Assembly, Iowa lending institutions, Iowa students, student loan borrowers, and the general public. The lender, student, general public, and independent college, community college, and borrower representatives are appointed by the Governor. The director of the Department of Education serves by virtue of office. The remaining four members are appointed by the bodies they represent.

Established in April 1964 to implement the federal assistance program for construction of academic facilities provided by the Higher Education Act of 1963, the commission now administers the programs described below.

### **Federal Family Education Loan Programs**

**Stafford Student Loan Program** – This program was implemented in 1979 and allows students to borrow from commercial lending institutions at a low rate of interest to meet educational ex-

penses at postsecondary educational institutions. The loans are insured by the commission and reinsured by the federal government under the terms of agreement between the Department of Education and the commission. Students may receive subsidized loans (the federal government pays interest while students are in school and in deferment status) based on financial need; all students are eligible to apply for unsubsidized loans (students pay the interest).

**Federal PLUS/GRAD PLUS Program** – The PLUS Program was implemented in 1982. The Iowa PLUS Program permits parents to secure unsubsidized long-term loans at reasonable interest rates from commercial lending institutions to cover postsecondary educational expenses. The GRAD PLUS Program was implemented July 1, 2006, and provides graduate or professional students with increased unsubsidized federal loan eligibility and minimizes the need for alternative loans. The loans are insured by the commission and reinsured by the federal government under the terms of an agreement between the United States Department of Education and the commission.

#### **Scholarship, Grant, Work-Study, and Loan Forgiveness Programs**

**Iowa Tuition Grant Program** – In 1969, the General Assembly established the Iowa Tuition Grant Program to provide financial assistance for Iowa students enrolled in Iowa's independent colleges and universities. Funding for this program in 2009-2010 is \$47,213,069 for students attending not-for-profit institutions and \$4,988,561 for students attending for-profit institutions. The maximum grant is \$4,000. The amount of the grant, based on the student's estimated financial need, is limited to tuition and fees minus the average charges at a state university.

**Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant Program** – This program was established in 1973 to provide financial assistance to needy Iowa resident students enrolled in vocational-technical or career option courses at Iowa's community colleges. Qualified students may receive a maximum of \$1,200 per year. In 2009-2010, the program is funded at \$2,512,958.

**All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship Program** – In 2007, the General Assembly established the All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship Program to provide financial assistance to needy Iowa resident students who do well in high school and demonstrate financial need to access college education. For academic year 2009-2010, qualified students may receive a maximum of \$6,704 at eligible four-year institutions and no more than full tuition at Iowa community colleges. In 2009-2010, the program is funded at \$2,502,537.

**All Iowa Opportunity Foster Care Grant Program** – This program provides grants to Iowa students who age out of Iowa foster care. These students may receive awards up to the full cost of attendance after considering all other available state, federal, and college or university funding. In 2009-2010, the program is funded at \$687,510.

**Iowa National Guard Educational Assistance Program** – Established in 1996, the National Guard Educational Assistance Program provides funds to members of the Iowa National Guard that cover costs associated with attending an Iowa college or university. Recipients must be members of the Iowa National Guard to receive a maximum grant of \$6,704. The 2009-2010 allocation for this program is \$4,024,545.

**Iowa Grant Program** – The Iowa Grant Program was enacted in 1990 to provide grants to Iowa resident undergraduate students attending Iowa regents universities, community colleges, or accredited independent colleges or universities. This statewide non-sector-based grant program provides need-based awards of up to \$1,000. The 2009-2010 appropriation is \$981,743. Federal Leveraging Educational Assistance Program (LEAP) funding is used to supplement the state appropriation. In 2009-2010, the Iowa LEAP allocation is \$742,670.

**Iowa Work-Study Program** – In 1987, the General Assembly established the Iowa Work-Study Program to provide funding for work-study jobs for Iowa residents attending Iowa colleges and universities. The work-study program is not funded for 2009-2010.

**Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant** – The Iowa Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant Program was established in 2008. The program provides need-based financial assistance of up to \$1,200 to Iowa residents attending eligible barber or cosmetology colleges. For 2009-2010, the program is funded at \$45,834.

**Osteopathic Forgivable Loans** – Since 1991, the Osteopathic Forgivable Loan Program has provided state assistance to Iowa residents attending Des Moines University. Funding for 2009-2010 is \$91,668. The loans are forgiven if the physicians practice medicine in Iowa for one to two years, depending on the number of loans used to fund a portion of their education expenses.

**Loan Forgiveness Programs** – The commission administers loan forgiveness programs for physicians, teachers, nurses, and nurse educators. The Osteopathic Physician Recruitment Program is funded at \$312,821 for 2009-2010. The Iowa Teacher Shortage Loan Forgiveness Program is funded at \$438,282 for 2009-2010. The Registered Nurse and Nurse Education Loan Forgiveness Program is funded at \$90,293 for 2009-2010.

**Governor Terry E. Branstad Iowa State Fair Scholarship Program** – In 1998, the General Assembly asked the commission to administer the Governor Terry E. Branstad Iowa State Fair Scholarship. Recipients receive a one-time award based on participation at the Iowa State Fair.

**Administration of Private Scholarships** – Since 1992, several businesses and civic organizations have requested technical assistance in the creation and administration of scholarships and forgivable loan programs. The commission staff provides assistance by serving on selection panels and by providing technical assistance on program requirements and the development of application materials.

#### Data and Reports

**Higher Education Data** – The commission maintains a database of enrollment, financial aid, alumni, and other data about Iowa colleges and universities. The database is maintained through surveys conducted by the commission and with the cooperation of the National Center for Education Statistics. An annual digest based on the data has been published since 1975 and is available on the Internet at [www.iowacollegeaid.org/researchers/index.html](http://www.iowacollegeaid.org/researchers/index.html).

**Diversity Report** – Since 1988, the commission has collected and maintained student and faculty ethnic diversity reports from Iowa colleges and universities receiving state grant moneys. Information contained in these annual reports reflects the institutions' commitment to recruit and retain minority students and faculty. Copies of the most recent reports are available on the Internet at [www.iowacollegeaid.org/researchers/index.html](http://www.iowacollegeaid.org/researchers/index.html).

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Stephanie Savage.....	Dubuque.....	April 30, 2010

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### STUDENT LOAN LIQUIDITY CORPORATION

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