PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT
[PROVISIONAL APPROVAL]

Effective Date of Approval: The date on which this Agreement is signed on behalf of the Secretary of Education
Approval Expiration Date: December 31, 2019
Reapplication Date: September 30, 2019

Name of Institution: Central Connecticut State University
Address of Institution: 1615 Stanley Street
New Britain, CT 06050-2490

OPE ID Number: 00137800
DUNS Number: 168558364
Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN): 066000798

The execution of this Agreement by the Institution and the Secretary is a prerequisite to the Institution's initial or continued participation in any Title IV, HEA Program.

The postsecondary educational institution listed above, referred to hereafter as the "Institution," and the United States Secretary of Education, referred to hereafter as the "Secretary," agree that the Institution may participate in those student financial assistance programs authorized by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (Title IV, REA Programs) indicated under this Agreement and further agrees that such participation is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. As used in this Agreement, the term "Department" refers to the U.S. Department of Education.

SCOPE OF COVERAGE

This Agreement applies to all locations of the Institution as stated on the most current ELIGIBILITY AND CERTIFICATION APPROVAL REPORT issued by the Department. This

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Agreement covers the Institution’s eligibility to participate in each of the following listed Title IV, HEA programs, and incorporates by reference the regulations cited.


- **ACADEMIC COMPETITIVENESS GRANT AND NATIONAL SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS ACCESS TO RETAIN TALENT GRANT PROGRAMS**, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1070a-1 et seq.; 34 C.F.R. Part 691.


**PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATION**

This provisional certification is granted for a limited period to permit the Institution to participate in the Title IV, HEA programs referenced in this Agreement. During the period of provisional certification, the participation of the Institution will be subject to revocation for cause. Cause for revocation includes, without limitation, a failure to comply with any provision set forth in this Agreement, a violation of Department regulations deemed material by the Department, or a material misrepresentation in the material submitted to the Department as part of the Institution’s application process for this certification. The Department in its sole discretion may provide the Institution with an opportunity to cure any such failure, may place the Institution on reimbursement funding pending a decision regarding revocation of this Agreement by a designated Department official, or may suspend the participation of the Institution pending a decision by the Department regarding revocation of this Agreement. In the event the Department chooses to revoke this Agreement and the Institution’s participation in the Title IV, HEA programs, the Institution will have the right to show cause why this Agreement should not be revoked by presenting its objections to the designated Department official in writing. The Institution agrees that this opportunity to show cause, and not the procedures in 34 C.F.R. 668 subpart G, shall be the sole administrative appeal regarding such revocation. The decision by the designated Department official will constitute the final agency action.

**Special Requirements for Substantial Changes Made During Term of Provisional Certification**

Any institution provisionally certified must apply for and receive approval by the Secretary for expansion or of any substantial change (as hereinafter identified) before it may award, disburse or distribute Title IV, HEA funds based on the substantial change. Substantial changes generally include, but are not limited to: (a) establishment of an additional location; (b) increase


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in the level of academic offering be those listed in the Institution's Eligibility and Certification Approval Report (ECAR); or (c) addition of any educational program (including degree, non-degree, or short-term training programs).

If the Institution applies for the Secretary's approval of a substantial change, the Institution must demonstrate that it has the financial and administrative resources necessary to assure the Institution's continued compliance with the standards of financial responsibility (34 C.P.R. 668.15) and administrative capability (34 C.P.R. 6q8.16).

Reasons and Special Conditions of Provisional Certification

Deficiencies in Administrative Capability

Recent audits and/or a recent program review of the institution's performance of its responsibilities as a participant in the Title IV, HEA programs have disclosed serious, repeated or systemic deficiencies that directly relate to the regulatory elements identified in 34 CFR §668.16. These regulatory elements are essential to an acceptable level of administrative capability. Accordingly, the institution's participation in the Title IV, HEA programs will be restricted to a provisional basis. Upon the expiration of the PPA, return to a non-provisional basis will occur only when the institution is able to demonstrate that its level of administrative capability is commensurate with the standards established in the referenced regulation.

New Degree Program at Public or Private Non-Profit

In-addition to the expansions and substantial changes identified above under Special Requirements for Substantial Changes Made During Term of Provisional Certification, as a provisionally certified public or private non-profit institution, the institution must also apply for and receive approval by the Secretary for the addition of any degree programs.

Application for Recertification

Upon completion of the period of provisional certification, if the Institution wishes to apply for recertification to participate in the Title IV, HEA programs, the Institution must submit a completed Application for Approval to Participate in Federal Student Financial Aid Programs, together with all required supporting documentation, no later than September 30, 2019.

Grant or Denial of Full Certification

Notwithstanding any paragraph above, the provisional certification ends upon the Department's notification to the Institution of the Department's decision to grant or deny a six year certification to participate in the Title IV, HEA programs.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The Institution understands and agrees that it is subject to and will comply with the program statutes and implementing regulations for institutional eligibility as set forth in 34 C.F.R. Part 600 and for each Title IV, HEA program in which it participates, as well as the general provisions set forth in Part F and Part G of Title IV of the HEA, and the Student Assistance General Provisions regulations set forth in 34 C.F.R. Part 668.