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DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS TO ENSURE STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES RECEIVE A QUALITY HIGHER EDUCATION

Goal: To improve the quality of higher education for students with disabilities.	Funding History (\$ in millions)			
	Fiscal Year	Appropriation	Fiscal Year	Appropriation
Legislation: Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, Title VII, Part D (20 U.S.C. 1140-	1985	\$0	2000	\$5
1140d).	1990	\$0	2001	\$6
	1995	\$0	2002 (Requested)	\$0

Program Description

The Demonstration Projects to Ensure Quality Higher Education for Students with Disabilities (Demonstration Disabilities) program provides discretionary grants of up to three years in duration to support model demonstration projects. These projects provide technical assistance and professional development for faculty and administrators in institutions of higher education to enhance the quality of education for students with disabilities.

This program was newly authorized by the Higher Education Amendments of 1998 and was funded for the first time in FY 1999. Universities may use the funding to support the following activities: development of innovative, effective, and efficient teaching methods and strategies; synthesizing research and information; and conducting professional development and training sessions for faculty and administrators from other institutions of higher education. The activities assisted under this program are expected to be developed for, and disseminated to, higher educational institutions of varying type and size.

For more information, please visit the program Web site at: http://www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/disabilities/index.html

Program Performance

OBJECTIVE 1: ENSURE THAT RESEARCH AND OTHER INFORMATION SYNTHESIZED THROUGH GRANT ACTIVITIES IS STATE OF THE ART.

Indicator 1.1 State-of-the-art research and dissemination of program materials and outcomes: Evaluation activities will show that 100 percent of the synthesized research state of the art and all information will be nationally disseminated.

Targets and Performance Data		Assessment of Progress	Sources and Data Quality	
Year	Actual Performance	Performance Targets	Status: New program; performance data not yet	Sources: Program data.
1999:	No data	No target set	available.	Frequency: Annually.
2000:	Program data from evaluation is	100%		Next collection update: 2001.
	expected by June 2001.		Explanation: This is a new grant program.	Date to be reported: Summer 2001.
2001:		100%	Grants were funded September 9, 1999, and	
2002:			performance data will be available June 2001. A	Validation Procedure: Data supplied by
			panel of outside reviewers with expertise in the	grantees. No formal verification procedure
			relevant subject area will make the determination	applied.
			of whether program materials are state of the art.	
				Limitations of Data and Planned
				Improvements: Data are self-reported and will
				be reviewed by external panel.

OBJECTIVE 2: ENSURE THAT FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATORS IN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION INCREASE THEIR CAPACITY TO PROVIDE A HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION TO STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES.

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	Targets and Performance Data		Assessment of Progress	Sources and Data Quality	
Year	Actual Performance	Performance Targets	Status: New program; performance data not yet	Sources: Performance reports.	
1999:	No data	No target set	available.	Frequency: Annually.	
2000:	Performance reports are now	Baseline to be established upon		Next collection update: 2001.	
	coming in.	aggregation and analysis of	Explanation: This is a new grant program.	Date to be reported: Late spring/early summer,	
		performance reports.	Grants were funded September 9, 1999, and	2001.	
2001:		Continuing increase in attendance	performance data will be available late		
2002:			spring/early summer 2001.	Validation Procedure: Data supplied by	
				grantees. No formal verification procedure	
				applied.	
				Limitations of Data and Planned	
				Improvements: Data are self-reported.	

		ent: The number of students with ncrease each year beginning in 20	disabilities completing coursework leading t	to a degree or attainment of a degree at an	
Targets and Performance Data		Assessment of Progress	Sources and Data Quality		
Year	Actual Performance	Performance Targets	Status: New program; performance data not yet	Sources: Performance reports.	
1999:	No Data Available	No target set	available.	Frequency: Annually.	
2000:	Performance reports are now	Baseline to be established upon		Next collection update: 2001.	
	coming in.	aggregation and analysis of performance reports.	Explanation: This is a new grant program. Grants were funded September 9, 1999, and	Date to be reported: Late spring/early summer, 2001.	
2001:		Continuing increase in degree attainment	performance data will be available late spring/early summer 2001.	Validation Procedure: Data supplied by	
2002:				grantees. No formal verification procedure applied.	
				Limitations of Data and Planned Improvements: Data are self-reported.	
Indicator 2.3 Professional Development: The numbers of faculty and administrators that are competent to provide a high-quality education to students with disabilities as a result of grant activities will increase each year beginning in 2001.					
Targets and Performance Data		Assessment of Progress	Sources and Data Quality		
Year	Actual Performance	Performance Targets	Status: New program; performance data not yet	Sources: Performance reports.	
1999:	No Data Available	No target set	available.	Frequency: Annually.	
2000:	Performance reports are now	Baseline to be established upon		Next collection update: 2001.	
	coming in.	aggregation and analysis of performance reports.	Explanation: This is a new grant program. Grants were funded September 9, 1999, and	Date to be reported: Late spring/early summer, 2001.	
2001:		Continuing increase in the number	performance data will be available late		
		of competent faculty	spring/early summer, 2001.	Validation Procedure: Data will be provided by	
2002:				grantees.	
				Limitations of Data and Planned	
				Improvements: Data are self-reported.	