

day after the date of enactment of this Act [Oct. 16, 1968] and insured by the Commissioner (under the authority of subsection (e)(3) or (e)(4) of this section [set out as a note under section 1083 of this title]) under the National Vocational Student Loan Insurance Act of 1965 [sections 981 to 996 of this title] shall be paid out of the fund established by such section 431.”

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## PART AA—MASTERS AND POSTBACCALAUREATE PROGRAM

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## SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS

## CODIFICATION

Title I of the Higher Education Act of 1965, comprising this subchapter, was originally enacted by Pub. L.

89-329, title I, Nov. 8, 1965, 79 Stat. 1219, and amended by Pub. L. 90-575, Oct. 16, 1968, 82 Stat. 1014; Pub. L. 91-230, Apr. 13, 1970, 84 Stat. 121; Pub. L. 92-318, June 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 235; Pub. L. 93-29, May 3, 1973, 87 Stat. 30; Pub. L. 93-380, Aug. 21, 1974, 88 Stat. 484; Pub. L. 93-644, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2291; Pub. L. 94-135, Nov. 28, 1975, 89 Stat. 713; Pub. L. 94-482, Oct. 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 2081; Pub. L. 95-43, June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 213; Pub. L. 96-49, Aug. 13, 1979, 93 Stat. 351; Pub. L. 96-96, Oct. 31, 1979, 93 Stat. 729; Pub. L. 96-374, Oct. 3, 1980, 94 Stat. 1367; Pub. L. 97-300, Oct. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1322; Pub. L. 98-524, Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2435; Pub. L. 99-386, Aug. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 821; Pub. L. 99-498, Oct. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 1268; Pub. L. 100-418, Aug. 23, 1988, 102 Stat. 1107; Pub. L. 101-305, May 30, 1990, 104 Stat. 253; Pub. L. 101-610, Nov. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 3127; Pub. L. 102-54, June 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 267; Pub. L. 102-325, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 448; Pub. L. 103-208, Dec. 20, 1993, 107 Stat. 2457. Such title is shown herein, however, as having been added by Pub. L. 105-244, title I, §101(a), Oct. 7, 1998, 112 Stat. 1585, without reference to such intervening amendments because of the extensive revision of the title's provisions by Pub. L. 105-244.

## PART A—DEFINITIONS

## § 1001. General definition of institution of higher education

## (a) Institution of higher education

For purposes of this chapter, other than subchapter IV, the term “institution of higher education” means an educational institution in any State that—

(1) admits as regular students only persons having a certificate of graduation from a school providing secondary education, or the recognized equivalent of such a certificate, or persons who meet the requirements of section 1091(d) of this title;

(2) is legally authorized within such State to provide a program of education beyond secondary education;

(3) provides an educational program for which the institution awards a bachelor's degree or provides not less than a 2-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward such a degree, or awards a degree that is acceptable for admission to a graduate or professional degree program, subject to review and approval by the Secretary;

(4) is a public or other nonprofit institution; and

(5) is accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association, or if not so accredited, is an institution that has been granted preaccreditation status by such an agency or association that has been recognized by the Secretary for the granting of preaccreditation status, and the Secretary has determined that there is satisfactory assurance that the institution will meet the accreditation standards of such an agency or association within a reasonable time.

## (b) Additional institutions included

For purposes of this chapter, other than subchapter IV, the term “institution of higher education” also includes—

(1) any school that provides not less than a 1-year program of training to prepare students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation and that meets the provision of paragraphs (1), (2), (4), and (5) of subsection (a) of this section; and