UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING REGULATIONS

Subject: Motor Vehicle and Tribal License Plate Programs
Number: UW Regulation 12-3

I. PURPOSE

To establish a policy for administration of the University of Wyoming Motor Vehicle License Plate Program and the tribal license plate program authorized by Wyoming Statutes and the Board of Trustees.

II. GENERAL INFORMATION

The University of Wyoming Motor Vehicle License Plate Program was created by Wyoming Statutes 21-17-118 and 31-2-219, which authorizes the Board of Trustees of the University to establish and promulgate the rules for a license plate program to be administered by the University and to provide for a student support and student financial aid fund for students at the University. The tribal license plate program was created by Wyoming Statute 31-2-230.

III. MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE PLATE PROGRAM

A. Applications

Owners of vehicles who desire to register or renew the registration of a vehicle in Wyoming effective on or after January 1, 2008, may submit an application to the University through its Office of Alumni Relations for a University of Wyoming Motor Vehicle License Plate. The application may be submitted online through the WYDOT website or on paper application to the University of Wyoming Alumni Association offices. The application shall be accompanied by the fee established by Wyoming Statute 31-2-219. The Office of Alumni Relations shall oversee the license plate program, including processing applications and reconciling accounts.

B. Revenues

1. The fees collected under this Regulation shall be deposited into the University of Wyoming Motor Vehicle License Plate account. Any fees, gifts, contributions, donations or other monies donated to this account shall be used exclusively for student financial aid and for projects and programs that directly support students at the University.
2. All expenditures made from this account shall be in compliance with this Regulation.

3. In the event the University of Wyoming Motor Vehicle License Plate Program is repealed or there is excess revenue, any remaining or excess revenue will be transferred to the office of Scholarships and Financial Aid and awarded in the form of scholarships to students who are residents of the State of Wyoming.

C. Scholarships

To the extent revenues are available from license plate fees, the following scholarships may be awarded annually, with preference given to Wyoming resident students based upon academic merit and involvement. Eligibility for scholarships shall be governed by minimum standards established by the Alumni Association, in consultation with the President. The awards shall be made by the Division of Student Affairs through its Office of Alumni Relations in coordination with the Office of Student Financial Aid:

1. Ten scholarships of $1,500 each per year for up to three consecutive years. New scholarships will be offered through 2021.
   a. Ten scholarships will be offered to Wyoming community college transfer students.
   b. At a minimum, one scholarship will be offered to a qualifying student from each Wyoming community college each year.
   c. These scholarships may transition from undergraduate to graduate studies after the first completed year, but must be consecutive years.

2. Eleven (or more) four-year scholarships of $1,500 each per year.
   a. One to an incoming freshman from each of the following six geographic areas (if further revenue is available, additional scholarships may be awarded to incoming freshman and shall rotate consecutively from each of the following six geographic areas):
      (1) District I: Park, Big Horn, Washakie, Hot Springs, and Fremont Counties
      (2) District II: Sheridan, Johnson, Campbell, Crook, Weston, and Converse Counties
      (3) District III: Lincoln, Sweetwater, Uinta, Sublette, and Teton Counties
(4) District IV: Natrona, Albany, and Carbon Counties

(5) District V: Laramie, Goshen, Platte, and Niobrara Counties

(6) District VI: Out-of-state (non-Wyoming residents)

b. Two scholarships to non-traditional students.

c. Two incoming freshman with financial need.

d. One scholarship to the grandchild of a UW graduate. Eligible to freshman or sophomore undergraduates. May not transition to graduate studies.

3. Three Scholarships of $1,500 each per year, subject to annual renewal.

a. One scholarship to a fifth- or sixth-year undergraduate student.

b. One scholarship to a student who is pursuing a second bachelor’s degree.

c. One scholarship to a student enrolled in an Outreach Credit degree program.

4. One-year award of $3,000

a. One award to a Recognized Student Organization (RSO) seeking student programming funds for a project or projects to benefit the campus or community. Selection will be made by a committee comprised of representatives of ASUW student government and Wyo-Gold, the student alumni association.

IV. TRIBAL LICENSE PLATE PROGRAM

Owners of vehicles who desire to register or renew the registration of a vehicle in Wyoming effective on or after January 1, 2017, may submit an application to the University through its Office of Alumni Relations for an Eastern Shoshone Indian tribe or Northern Arapaho Indian tribe license plate. The application may be submitted online through the WYDOT website or on paper application to the University of Wyoming Alumni Association offices. The application shall be accompanied by the fee established by Wyoming Statute 31-3-102. The Office of Alumni Relations shall oversee the tribal license plate program, including processing applications and reconciling accounts.

The fees collected under this section shall be deposited in one of two scholarship funds managed by the UW Foundation based upon the license plate purchased: the Chief Washakie Scholarship and the Northern Arapaho Endowment Scholarship.
Responsible Division/Unit: Office of Alumni Relations

Source: WY ST § 21-17-118, § 31-2-219 and § 31-3-102

Links: http://www.uwyo.edu/regs-policies

Associated Regulations, Policies, and Forms: None

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