

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before July 20, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, be faxed to (202) 395-5806 or send e-mail to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: June 15, 2009.

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Federal Student Aid

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Federal Perkins Loan Program/ National Direct Student Loan (NDSL) Assignment Form.

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 21,262.
Burden Hours: 8,505.

Abstract: The Federal Perkins Loan Program allows for assignment of certain defaulted loans from schools to the Department of Education for continued collection efforts when the school has exhausted all of its efforts in recovering an outstanding loan. The Perkins Assignment Form serves as the transmittal document in the assignment of such loans to the Federal Government.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4009. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Office of Postsecondary Education;
Overview Information; Promoting
Postbaccalaureate Opportunities for
Hispanic Americans (PPOHA)
Program; Notice Inviting Applications
for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY)
2009**

*Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance
(CFDA) Number:* 84.031M.

Dates:

Applications Available: June 18, 2009.

Deadline for Transmittal of

Applications: July 20, 2009.

Deadline for Intergovernmental

Review: September 16, 2009.

Full Text of Announcement**I. Funding Opportunity Description**

Purpose of Program: The Promoting Postbaccalaureate Opportunities for Hispanic Americans (PPOHA) Program provides grants to: (1) Expand postbaccalaureate educational opportunities for, and improve the academic attainment of, Hispanic students; and (2) expand the postbaccalaureate academic offerings as well as enhance the program quality in the institutions of higher education that are educating the majority of Hispanic college students and helping large numbers of Hispanic and low-income students complete postsecondary degrees.

PPOHA Program Requirements

Background: The PPOHA Program is a new program established under sections 511 through 514 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA). The PPOHA Program supports Hispanic-serving institutions that offer a postbaccalaureate certificate or degree granting program. To define the term "Hispanic-serving institution" for purposes of the PPOHA Program, Congress adopted the definition of that term in the existing Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI) Program authorized by sections 501 to 504 of the HEA. In addition, the PPOHA Program provides development grants like the HSI Program. Moreover, Congress also applied the general provisions of the HSI Program to the PPOHA Program. See Title V, Part C, sections 521-528, of the HEA. In light of the overlap of these definitions and requirements, the Secretary has determined that it is appropriate to adopt some of the regulatory requirements relating to eligibility criteria and tie-breaking factors from the HSI Program for use for the first grant competition in the PPOHA Program.

Eligibility Criteria (Use of 34 CFR 606.2(a) and (b), 606.3 through 606.5). For purposes of the PPOHA Program, an eligible institution is an institution of higher education that: (1) Is an Hispanic-serving institution as defined in section 502 of the HEA; and (2) offers a postbaccalaureate certificate or degree granting program. As noted earlier in this notice, the term "Hispanic-serving institution" under section 502 of the HEA has already been defined in the regulations for the HSI Program. For the competition announced in this notice, the Secretary has decided to use the specific eligibility criteria for Hispanic-serving institution in 34 CFR 606.2(a) and (b) and 606.3, 606.4 and 606.5 of those regulations. The use of these