Ability to Benefit Coding Instructions Effective Fall Quarter 2020

Ability to Benefit (ATB) allows a student without a high school diploma or equivalency to receive Title IV student financial aid to pay for postsecondary education and training if they are enrolled in an eligible career pathway program. To receive aid, the student must first complete six (6) credits (or equivalent) applicable toward a degree or certificate, pass a Department of Education (ED) approved exam, or complete a state process approved by the Secretary of Education.

Beginning fall quarter 2020, all students receiving financial aid based on Ability to Benefit must be coded for one of the options. The code shall be applied each quarter until the student has earned a high school credential/equivalent or is no longer receiving financial aid. Please work with your financial aid office and registrars to make this happen.

Instructions

Legacy Coding

Students are coded using these UA codes:

- "T\$" for ATB students using the test (ED approved exam) option
- "C\$" for ATB students using the 6-credit (or equivalent) option
- "S\$" for ATB students using the state option (co-enrolled in HS+ and I-BEST)

Enter the value for the student on the Student Unusual Action screen (SM5003) including the YRQ of their enrollment in the program. **The student must be coded each quarter.** This requires updating the YRQ field.

PeopleSoft Coding

Students are assigned to these Student Groups:

- "SABT" for ATB students using the test (ED approved exam) option
- "SABC" for ATB students using the 6-credit (or equivalent) option
- "SABS" for ATB students using the state option (co-enrolled in HS+ and I-BEST)

If you have any question on the use of this code please contact <u>dataservices@sbctc.edu</u>.