



Policy Principle

This policy principle replaces the previous policy A01: Reinvestment of New Brunswick Tuition Rebate Funds, which was due to expire September 1, 2017.

This policy principle was approved by the Board of Directors at the 2019 Annual General Meeting on March 10, 2019.

Policy A01: Upfront, needs-based grants

Adopted: March 10, 2019

Expires: March 10, 2021

WHEREAS the primary purpose of the Free Tuition Program (FTP) and the Tuition Relief for the Middle Class (TRMC) is to increase access for lower- and middle-income students to publicly-funded postsecondary institutions;

WHEREAS accessibility of postsecondary education is a fundamental organizational value of the Alliance;

WHEREAS the New Brunswick government has not provided a comprehensive or reasonable rationale to justify the exclusion of law students from the FTP and TRMC;

WHEREAS other professional undergraduate university programs, such as social work, education, and engineering, are included in the FTP and TRMC; and

WHEREAS part-time students are not included in the FTP and TRMC suite and these students often face significant financial barriers, due to a variety of factors including but not limited to: financial difficulties, the necessity to work in-study, participating in experiential learning opportunities, having a disability, or having dependents.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the New Brunswick Student Alliance advocate for the expansion of the FTP and TRMC suite to include law students and part-time students.