

What is "Academic Engagement"?

Comes from the U.S. Department of Education's definition of "academic engagement" found in 34 CFR 600.2: active participation by a student in an instructional activity related to the student's course of study. Later in section 5(ii), the regulation states that the institution is responsible for "monitoring the student's *academic engagement* and success" in the completion of a course.

What are the impacts of failure to monitor academic engagement?

- Impacts the Title IV Financial Aid Eligibility of the Institution.
- Failure to ensure elements of RSI in instruction can also impact accreditation and authorization to offer instruction across state and international lines.

Academic Engagement:

Defined as **"active participation by a student in an instructional activity related to the student's course of study."**

These activities must be accreditor approved, including, but not limited to:

- attending a synchronous academic activity where there is the opportunity to interact with the instructor
- Submitting an academic assignment
- taking an assessment
- participating in interactive computer-assisted instruction
- participating in a study group, group project, or online discussion that is assigned by the institution
- interacting with an instructor about academic matters

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