WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2011 No. 148

The Assembly Learning Grants and Loans (Higher Education) (Wales) Regulations 2011

PART 12

SUPPORT FOR PART-TIME COURSES

Period of eligibility

91.—(1) A student's status as an eligible part-time student is retained in connection with a designated part-time course until that status terminates in accordance with this regulation or regulation 88.

(2) The period for which an eligible part-time student retains the status referred to in paragraph (1) is the "period of eligibility" ("*cyfnod cymhwystra*").

(3) Subject to the following paragraphs and regulation 88, the period of eligibility terminates at the end of the academic year in which the eligible part-time student completes the eligible part-time student's designated part-time course.

(4) The period of eligibility terminates when the eligible part-time student ("A" in this paragraph)

- (a) withdraws from A's designated part-time course in circumstances where the Welsh Ministers have not transferred or converted or will not transfer or convert A's status under regulation 107 or 108; or
- (b) abandons or is expelled from A's designated part-time course.

(5) The period of eligibility terminates at the end of the academic year during or at the end of which it becomes impossible for the eligible part-time student to complete the designated part-time course within the period specified in regulation 90(1)(c) even if the eligible part-time student increases the eligible part-time student's intensity of study.

(6) The Welsh Ministers may terminate the period of eligibility where the eligible part-time student ("A" in this paragraph) has in the opinion of the Welsh Ministers shown by A's conduct that A is unfitted to receive support under this Part.

(7) If the Welsh Ministers are satisfied that an eligible part-time student has failed to comply with any requirement to provide information under this Part or has provided information which is inaccurate in a material particular, the Welsh Ministers may take such of the following actions as they consider appropriate in the circumstances—

- (a) terminate the period of eligibility;
- (b) determine that the student no longer qualifies for any particular support or particular amount of support under this Part;
- (c) treat any support paid to the student as an overpayment which may be recovered under regulation 113.
- (8) Where the period of eligibility terminates—

- (a) before the end of the academic year in which the eligible part-time student completes the designated part-time course; and
- (b) otherwise than under paragraph (5),

the Welsh Ministers may, at any time, renew, or extend the period of eligibility for such period as they determine.