

Table 1 — June 2002
State TANF Policies Toward Postsecondary Training or Education (PSE)
(states in **bold** are preliminary data)

PSE alone satisfies work requirement for more than 12 months (14 states)	PSE alone <i>may</i> satisfy work requirement but may have to combine it with other work activities	PSE alone does not satisfy work requirement; must participate in additional work activity	PSE never counts toward work requirement (4 states)
Arizona Georgia Iowa Kentucky Maine ⁱ Minnesota Missouri Nebraska New Mexico ⁱ Rhode Island Utah Vermont ⁱ West Virginia ⁱ Wyoming	<u>Can count participation in PSE for more than 12 months (5 states)</u> Alabama Arkansas California Illinois North Carolina	<u>Can count participation in PSE for more than 12 months (12 states)</u> Delaware District of Columbia Hawaii Kansas Michigan Montana New Hampshire New Jersey South Carolina South Dakota Tennessee Virginia	Massachusetts ⁱⁱ Mississippi Oklahoma Wisconsin
PSE alone satisfies work requirement for 12 months or less (5 states)	<u>For 12 months or less (2 states)</u>	<u>For 12 months or less (4 states)</u>	Determined by locality (5 states)
Alaska Connecticut ⁱⁱⁱ Nevada Oregon ^{iv} Pennsylvania ⁱⁱ	Louisiana North Dakota	Idaho Indiana Texas Washington	Colorado Florida ^v Maryland New York ^{vi} Ohio

Sources: May 2002 survey of states by the Center for Law and Social Policy, updating earlier data from the State Policy Documentation Project (SPDP), a joint project of the Center for Law and Social Policy and the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. For this table, postsecondary training or education includes any programs beyond the high school level except where noted. See Table 2 for details of state policies. Tribal programs and small pilot programs are excluded from the table.

ⁱ Through a separate state program funded by TANF state MOE. Participants are not subject to the TANF work requirement, but are subject to other requirements related to participation in school and employment. West Virginia also allows postsecondary training or education alone to satisfy requirements within the TANF program.

ⁱⁱ Individuals who are exempt from the work requirement may receive support services for education or training.

ⁱⁱⁱ Connecticut permits program participants to participate in 4-6 month-long certificate programs or other programs that do not lead to a degree.

^{iv} In Oregon, short-term, vocationally-specific training is countable and limited to 9 months or less.

^v Local workforce boards have the authority to allow extended education and training, if the locality continues to meet overall federal work rates.

^{vi} Determined locally but not to exceed 12 months as a stand-alone activity. Up to two years of postsecondary education is allowable if approved by district and combined with work.