BASIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Texas Resident
- Graduated 2002-03 academic year or later under the recommended high school program from public or accredited private high school in Texas
- Enrolled full-time (12 hours) in an undergraduate degree
- Has completed a FAFSA and is eligible to receive federal financial aid

MAXIMUM ANNUAL LOAN AMOUNTS FOR 2004-2005 ACADEMIC YEAR

- A 3% origination fee will be deducted from the loan proceeds
- 4-year public and private institutions: $3,590

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION PROCESS

TAMIU's financial aid office will determine if you are eligible. Funding for the Texas B-On-Time Loan Program is limited. If this loan is offered to you, your financial aid office will instruct you to complete an application/promissory note on-line.

RENEWAL ELIGIBILITY

To maintain eligibility for future disbursements, the student must:

- In the 1st academic year – make satisfactory academic progress toward a degree as determined by the TAMIU Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Policy
- In the 2nd and subsequent academic years – complete at least 75% of the semester credit hours attempted in the most recent academic year and have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale on all coursework previously attempted at institutions of higher education.
- A student may not receive B-On-Time loans for more than 150 hours

FORGIVENESS REQUIREMENTS

IRS regulations indicate that these loans must be reported as taxable income when they are forgiven. A Texas B-On-Time Loan shall be forgiven if the student receives an undergraduate degree or certificate from an eligible institution and the student either:

- Graduated with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, within:
  - 4 calendar years after the date the student initially enrolled
  - 5 calendar years after the date the student initially enrolled, if the degree is in any program determined by the board to require more than 4 years to complete or

- Graduated with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, with a total number of credit hours (including transfer hours and hours earned exclusively by examination) that is no more than 6 credit hours beyond what is required to complete the degree or certificate.

For more information, please call the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board at 1-800-242-3062.