

# **Enrollment & Compliance Reporting**

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# Why Report?

- The collection/reporting of enrollment data is important for many reasons:
  - It protects the rights of borrowers by ensuring that loan interest subsidies are based on accurate enrollment data.
  - It ensures loan repayment dates are accurate, based on the LDA.
  - It allows in-school deferments to be automatically granted using NSLDS enrollment data/data provided to private lenders, servicers and guarantors.
  - It provides vast amounts of critical data about the effectiveness of Title IV aid programs, Including completion data.
  - It supports other Clearinghouse services you participate in, including
     Verification Services and StudentTracker

# The Regulatory Compliance Pie



SSCRs completed at least every 2 months

SSCRs returned within 15 days of receipt

Correct SSCR Errors within 10 days of receipt

Report status changes within <u>60</u> days of the date of determination

NSLDS Enrollment Reporting Statistics Score must be  $\geq 90\%$ 

# The Data Intake Process





# School Enrollment Reporting Schedule

- Designed to meet school reporting needs
- Help ensure compliance with the federal regulations
- Evergreen
- Adjustable
- To make schedule changes, email schoolops@studentclearinghouse.org



# Submission Schedule: When to Submit File Types

#### Early Registration File (Optional)

- Submit <u>on</u> or <u>after</u> the Term Begin Date to avoid SSCR errors
- LT Half-Time statuses are not accepted since the file is submitted before the add/drop

#### First of Term File

- Recommend to submit <u>within</u> 21 days of Term Begin Date but <u>immediately after</u> add/drop period
- Calculated Withdrawn Process

#### Subsequent of Term Files

- Report newly certified enrollment every 30-45 days
- Comparison to the previous file
  - Unreported Students (error 208)
  - Unreported program (error 1568)

#### Graduates Only Enrollment Files

- Submit <u>as soon as</u> degrees are confirmed
- Can be submitted piecemeal for groups of degrees awarded
- If possible, submit <u>before</u> sending first file for the next scheduled term



# Clearinghouse Enrollment Data Intake Process

**School Reports Data** 

**Clearinghouse Review** 

School Back to Clearinghouse

Data Loaded by Clearinghouse

**Data Available** 

Step 1 Step 2 Step 3 Step 4 Step 5

School extracts enrollment data from their student information system in the required format.

School sends file to the Clearinghouse via Secure FTP based on schedule\* designed to meet compliance reporting requirements.



Clearinghouse performs a series of student level validations.

Files that fail due to formatting are returned to the school to resolve.

Schools must resolve all errors prior to the data being loaded into the database. We also encourage a thorough review of warnings.



Student level validations are presented to the school in three ways—Errors, Warnings and Rejected Records (provided on a Reject Detail Report).

Schools must resolve all errors prior to submitting the file to be merged into the database.



A Clearinghouse data analyst reviews all submissions prior to loading the data to the database.

Once the school has completed their updates, the data is loaded into the Clearinghouse system.



Only data in our system is reported out and made available to student loan servicers and the NSLDS.

The data also becomes available for commercial verifications and other Clearinghouse services that schools participate in.



### **Enrollment File Processing: Errors/Warnings**

- Once the enrollment file is placed into the NSC system validations will be performed on the data
- Errors are flagged in <u>red</u> and must be corrected.
- Warnings are identified in <u>black</u> and do not require correction although review is strongly encouraged.

Error Number	Error Description	Error Count
<u>1519</u> *	Program 2 Enrollment Status is blank/Invalid	<u>45</u>
<u>1529</u> *	Program 3 Enrollment Status is blank/Invalid	<u>2</u>
<u>63</u>	Country is blank	<u>109</u>
<u>64</u>	Street too short	<u>56</u>
<u>67</u>	City too short	<u>60</u>
<u>68</u>	Invalid state	<u>1361</u>
<u>70</u>	Zip code missing	<u>1359</u>
<u>71</u>	Zip code not numeric	<u>8</u>
<u>73</u>	AGD is before the term end date	<u>9</u>
<u>264</u>	Status (Q, H, or L) start date is outside of term	<u>1</u>



# Critical!: After File is Processed - Reject Detail

 Common errors: 253 or 290: SSN conflicts: These occur as NSC has received enrollment information for that SSN previously for a different student.

#### How to Correct Error 253/290?

- Verify the SSN being reported is correct.
- Submit an "Add New Student" online update via the Student Look-Up tab
- NSC Analyst will review the update.
- If needed the analyst will contact the school asking for proof of SSN

#### Acceptable Proof of SSN:

A Social Security Card or other Social Security     Administration documentation validating the SSN	A driver's license, permit or ID card containing the SSN (must be government issued)			
A copy of a state or federal tax document	Tribal ID card containing the SSN			
An employment record containing the SSN	Medical Benefits card containing the SSN			
A military document containing the SSN (such as a military ID card)	Any acceptable document submitted as proof of legal presence/identity or residence address containing the SSN			
Approved FAFSA form				

Secure Fax: 703.742.7792



#### TOP 5 NSC Enrollment File Errors - MBUG

Error Code 1701 Invalid CIP Code Total Errors: 2,965 Error Code 4
Invalid Status Code
Total Errors: 948

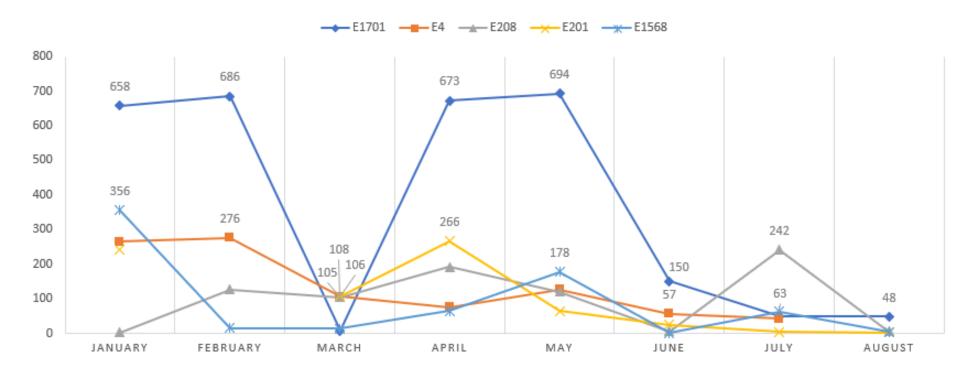
Error Code 208
Unreported Student
Total Errors: 801

Error Code 201

Status, No SSD
Total Errors: 713

Error Code 1568
Unreported Program
Total Errors: 696

#### TOP 5 ENROLLMENT FILE ERROR CODE: MBUG





### Top Enrollment File Errors

- Error Code 1701: Blank/Invalid CIP Code
- Error Code 4\*: Blank/Invalid status code
  - Valid status codes: F, Q, H, L, A, W, G, D
- Error Code 208\*: Unreported student previously reported in term
- Error Code 1568\*: Unreported program previously reported in term
- Error Code 201: Decrease in status without an SSD

\*NSC/Ellucian (Banner)\* Joint Webinar - Recorded <a href="https://www.ellucian.com/resources/webinar/ellucian-banner-enrollment-reporting-made-easy">https://www.ellucian.com/resources/webinar/ellucian-banner-enrollment-reporting-made-easy</a>



# Graduated (G) Status for Compliance Reporting





#### Clearinghouse Data Flow – Degree Data Intake

#### School Extracts Data from SIS

School extracts DegreeVerify data from SIS and creates DegreeVerify file



Via secure FTP

#### Clearinghouse Database

Once the file arrives, the Clearinghouse performs edits on the data.

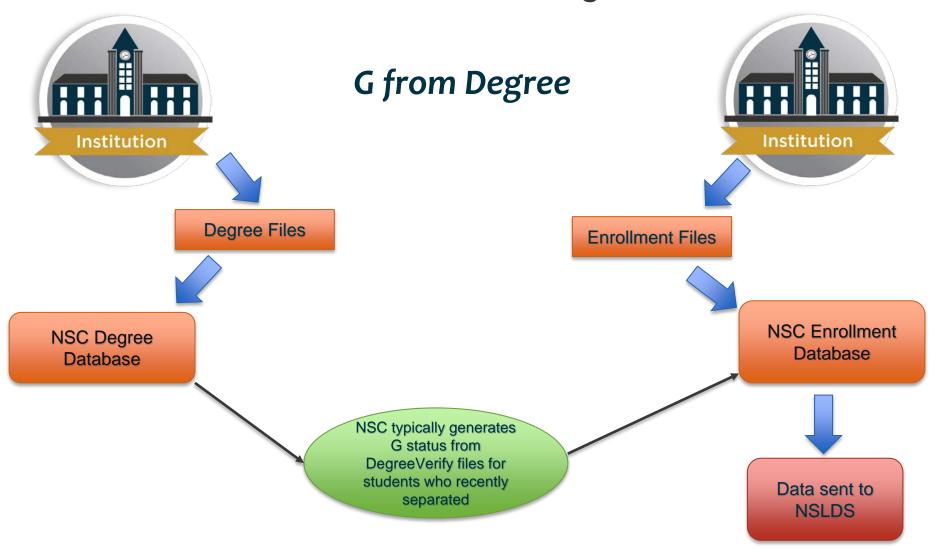
#### Data is Loaded

Once validations have been resolved, the data is loaded into the warehouse.

#### G from DegreeVerify

For schools that participate in this service, G from DV process automatically creates the Graduates only file.

# Where Enrollment Data & Degree Data Meet



#### NATIONAL STUDENT **CLEARINGHOUSE**

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Welcome, | My Account | Log Out

Reporting

Verification Services

Services

Transcript Services

Transfer

Student Look-Up Degree Reporting

<u>Student Reporting</u> > <u>Degree Reporting</u> > <u>Degree Transmission Detail</u>

Degree Transmission Detail: HOMETOWN UNIVERSITY

View <b>▼</b>	Export Results	Total Records	s: 38						
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00000000		AMELIA	TEST		В	BACHELOR OF S	Other	user	
0000000		LIAM	TEST		В	BACHELOR OF S	Student in Graduated status in NSC databa	user	
0000000		VERA	TEST		В	BACHELOR OF S	Student in Graduated status in NSC databa	user	
0000000		ELLA	TEST		В	BACHELOR OF S	Student in Graduated status in NSC databa	user	
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0000000		RENE	TEST		В	BACHELOR OF S	Other	user	
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G from DV FAQs

\*\*G not applied is not an error, it is for awareness for you to determine if action is needed.



#### 012345-00 Hometown University Edit Student: John Doe SSN: 000000000 CSID: 000000 (\*) indicates required field. Personal Information School Code: 012345-00 School Name: Hometown University First Name: JOHN Social Security Number: 000000000 Date of Birth: 05/13/1960 Middle Initial: Last Name: DOE Name Suffix: **Enrollment Information** \* Enrollment Status: Withdrawn ▼ Status Start / Effective Date: 12/13/2018 Term Begin Date: Check box to block release of Block Data Status: Term End Date: 12/13/2018 student-level data Program Information Program Indicator: Yes \* ✓If Program Indicator is Yes, there must be program information present. ▲ Program 1 Program 1 CIP: 520302 Program 1 CIP Year: 2010 Program 1 Credential Level: Undergraduate Certificate or Diploma Program ▼ Program 1 Published Length: 001000 Program 1 Published Length Measurement: Program 1 Weeks in Title IV Academic Year: Program 1 Begin Date: 05/18/2015

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Program 2 CIP:	240102			
Program 2 CIP Year:	2010			
Program 2 Credential Level:	: Associates Degree			
Program 2 Published Length:	002000			
Program 2 Published Length Measurement:	Year ▼			
Program 2 Weeks in Title IV Academic Year:				
Program 2 Begin Date:	08/27/2018	<b>2</b>		
Program 2 Special Program Indicator:	Not applicable			
* Program 2 Enrollment Status	Withdrawn ▼			
* Program 2 Enrollment Status Effective Date:	08/27/2018			
▲Program 3				
Program 3 CIP:	520302			
Program 3 CIP Year:	2010			
Program 3 Credential Level:	Undergraduate Certificat	e or Diploma Program		
Program 3 Published Length:	001500			
Program 3 Published Length Measurement:	Year ▼			
Program 3 Weeks in Title IV Academic Year:				
Program 3 Begin Date:	05/18/2015	25		
Program 3 Special Program Indicator	Not applicable			
* Program 3 Enrollment Status	Withdrawn ▼			
* Program 3 Enrollment Status Effective Date.	08/27/2018	<b>2</b>		

▲Program 2

Program 1 Special Program Indicator

Program 1 Enrollment Status

Program 1 Enrollment Status Effective Date

12/13/2018

### Ways to Report Graduated Statuses





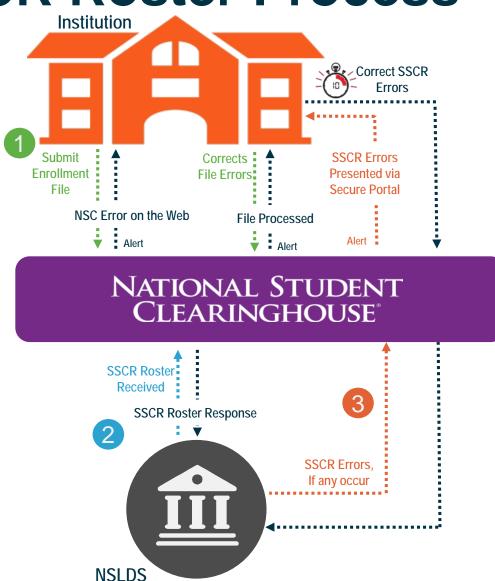
# The NSLDS SSCR Roster Process



# **Enrollment/SSCR Roster Process**

#### **STEPS**

- 1 Institution submits enrollment file via FTP
- NSC performs edits & validation check for errors
- Error Resolution Report posted to web
- School corrects errors → certifying data as correct → sends file back to NSC
- Final review of file, NSC processes and stores in NSC database
- 2 NSLDS sends SSCR Roster to NSC
- Using the current certified data in NSC database, NSC responds to NSLDS SSCR Roster
- 3 NSLDS sends SSCR error report to NSC
- NSC presents SSCR error report to school via the web
- School submits SSCR error corrections to the NSC by the 'NSC Due Date' (8 days)
- On the 10<sup>th</sup> day, NSC sends NSLDS the SSCR error response file including corrections



# Clearinghouse Enrollment Data Intake Process

**NSC Receives Roster** 

**NSC Responds** 

Step 2

Supplemental Adds Process

**Mid-Month Roster** 

Step 4

**NSLDS Error Report** 

#### Step 1

SSCR Enrollment Roster

the institution that have

This typically occurs

upon holidays and

weekends.

during the first few days

of the month, depending

**NSLDS** 

National Student

Clearinghouse"

some relationship to Title

The Clearinghouse receives the NSLDS

containing a list of students associated with

IV Aid.

The Clearinghouse immediately responds to the NSLDS SSCR Enrollment Roster with the most up to date data we have loaded into our system for the institution. (This is well within the 15 day requirement.)

Enrollment files with pending edits including unresolved errors and/or warnings are not considered for the NSLDS Roster Response process.

NSLDS

Step 3

Four days following the original roster response, the Clearinghouse sends a request to NSLDS to add missing students that were not included on the original NSLDS SSCR Enrollment Roster.

Missing students included on the add file request have active enrollment at the institution and have appeared on a Clearinghouse processed roster within the past 10 years.



In some instances, the Clearinghouse may also reprocess the roster received at the beginning of the month.

This typically occurs when we receive and load data for an institution between the time the original roster was processed and the 13<sup>th</sup> day of the month. The mid-month roster response includes any newly certified data that has been loaded for the school between the first roster response and the 13<sup>th</sup> day of the month.



Step 5
The NSLDS returns an

error report to NSC for any records that have been rejected due to NSLDS edits.

NSC immediately responds to this error report & also makes the errors available to the institution for correction via our secure website.

Between the 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> days, NSC submits all completed roster corrections back to NSLDS in the error response file.





# SSCR Roster

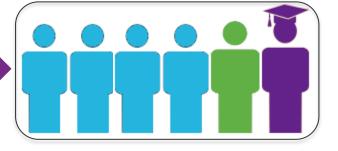
#### Clearinghouse Processes: Supplemental SSCR Adds File

Recently Certified

Enrollment

Request NSLDS ADD Student To SSCR Roster

Students Who Have SSCR History **Next SSCR Roster** 





Students who complete programs long after their LDA.



Reporting matriculating students with no new aid disbursed at your school



#### **SSCR Error Corrections**

- Correcting your SSCR Errors is an ED compliance requirement.
- Corrections should be submitted to NSLDS within 10 days of receipt of the SSCR Error Report. The Clearinghouse provides 8 days to allow for processing time.
- Do not make updates directly with NSLDS without working with the Clearinghouse first
- Questions about your SSCR Errors reach out to <u>sscrerrors@studentclearinghouse.org</u>



#### TOP 5 NSLDS SSCR Errors - MBUG

**Error Code 78** 

Program Length too Long

**Total Errors: 778** 

**Error Code 22** 

Student Not Found

**Total Errors: 705** 

**Error Code 32** 

Cert Date in NSC Prior to Cert Date in NSLDS

Total Errors: 344

**Error Code 77** 

Program Length too Short

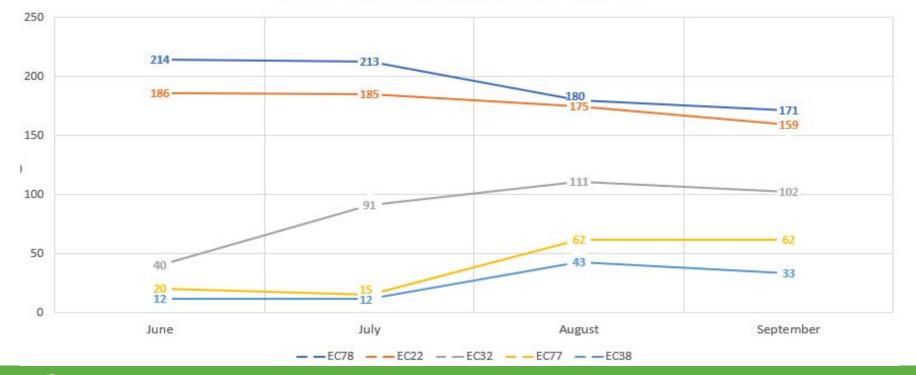
Total Errors: 159

**Error Code 38** 

Cert Date too Old

Total Errors: 100

#### TOP 5 NSLDS SSCR ERRORS - MBUG





### Top NSLDS SSCR Errors 77, 78, & 22

- Error Code 77/78: Program Length too Short/Long
  - 6-digits with an implied decimal between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> digit
  - 000004 = .004 Year Program
  - 400000 = 400 Year Program
  - 004000 = 4 Year Program
- Error Code 22: NSLDS will not accept an Enrollment Status of 'Z'
  (No record found) if enrollment history already exists for the student
  at your school
  - Pseudo SSN begins with 000 or 9 → Correct directly with NSLDS
  - Valid SSN but NSC does not have a record for the student → Add Student in NSC database
  - Cross-branch reporting for official locations/branches



### Top NSLDS SSCR Errors 32 & 38

- Error Code 32: Certification date of the record NSC is sending is prior to the Certification date of the record NSLDS has
  - Generally caused by updates being made directly to NSLDS
- Error Code 38: Certification Date precedes the earliest allowable certification of data (>135 days in the past)
  - Can be caused by NSLDS cleaning up old data
  - W or G records with an effective date of 2004 or later will selfresolve
  - Any Status prior to 2004, confirm and recertify the record



# Compliance Best Practices and Resources





# **Enrollment Reporting Compliance Best Practices**

- Strong communication and collaboration, among key school departments, mitigates NSLDS compliance risk (i.e. Registrar, Financial Aid, Institutional Effectiveness, etc)
- Schedule Enrollment Files to Clearinghouse every 30-45 days
- Correct Error Resolution Report on Clearinghouse web swiftly and address items flagged for your review
- Work Clearinghouse Enrollment Reporting Reject Detail, on the NSC site, after each Enrollment file is processed (avoids NSLDS reporting issues for SSN discrepancies)
- Correct NSLDS SSCR Roster Errors via the NSC secure site by the NSC Due Date
- Report Graduated enrollment statuses consistently for completed programs
- Assess and monitor your protocol for Course Catalog, COD, & NSC Enrollment Reporting this
  is to confirm program details match (OPEID, CIP, Credential Level, Program Length and
  Measurement, Weeks in Title IV Academic Year [for length in W/M] should match in all areas)
- Screen enrollment reporting details to verify students are reported with accurate program information



# **Enrollment Reporting Compliance Best Practices**

- Monitor NSLDS Enrollment Reporting Statistics Score monthly on the NSLDS site
- Enrollment status updates should typically be performed on the NSC secure site to avoid any direct NSLDS web updates from disrupting the NSLDS SSCR Roster process
- Conduct regular internal audits of your federal aid recipient student enrollment reporting in the NSLDS; contact <u>auditresource@studentclearinghouse.org</u> with any questions
- Evaluate your school's Policies and Procedures for assessing changes in status to Withdrawn 'W,' Graduated 'G,' and Approved Leave of Absence 'A,' certifying consistent status effective change dates, and mechanisms for identifying status changes
- Subscribe to the Clearinghouse Compliance Central Blog for <u>critical</u> compliance reporting updates <a href="https://studentclearinghouse.org/compliancecentral/">https://studentclearinghouse.org/compliancecentral/</a>
- Enrollment file or Degree file questions? Contact us at <a href="mailto:schoolops@studentclearinghouse.org">schoolops@studentclearinghouse.org</a>
- NSLDS compliance reporting questions, audit questions? Contact us at auditresource@studentclearinghouse.org



# **NSC Updates As Of August 2019**

#### Recent Enhancements

- Enhancement to make edits on the submission schedule more user friendly
- Exportable reports on the Error Resolution platform
- SSCR Error Code 22 spreadsheet submission historical correction

#### On the Horizon

- Updating our logic to accept SSDs on Full-Time
- Automated email language adjustment (Subject Line)
  - Action Required
  - Informational



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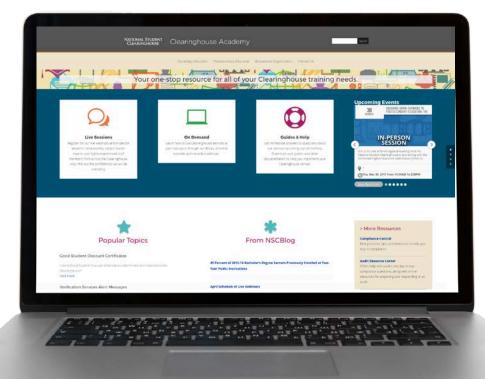
Since 1993, the National Student Clearinghouse has been higher education's trusted and secure partner committed to privacy and transparency. Our free Enrollment Reporting service provides institutions with automated enrollment verification and deferment reporting to the Department of Education and education finance industry. This improves data accuracy and helps institutions stay in compliance, while reducing their workload. Through



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# **Questions?**

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