National Student Loan Data System

Gainful Employment User Guide

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Executive Summary

The National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS) Gainful Employment (GE) User Guide includes a table of contents, three chapters, and an appendix. Each of the chapters and the appendix are described below. This guide assumes reader familiarity with basic computer terminology and concepts.

- **Chapter 1: GE Compliance, Guidelines, and Administrative Functions** —Presents an overview of GE Reporting: compliance rules, reporting guidelines, and administrative functions and responsibilities.

- **Chapter 2: GE Reporting Processing**—Describes the batch reporting process: matching/updating/returning student records, and completing error files.

- **Chapter 3: GE Reporting Online: the NSLDS Web Site**—Online step-by-step instruction will be coming soon.

- **Appendix A: GE Reporting File Record Layouts—**Provides the 3 record layouts for GE Reporting files and error files, as well as error codes and explanations.

Chapter 1: Compliance, Guidelines and Administrative Functions

1.1   Background

In order to be eligible for funding under the Title IV programs, an educational program must lead to a degree (associate, bachelor's, graduate, or professional) or prepare students for "gainful employment in a recognized occupation" (GE Programs). However, virtually all programs - degree and non-degree - offered by proprietary institutions must prepare students for "gainful employment in a recognized occupation".

All non-degree educational programs offered by public and nonprofit institutions and virtually all programs offered by proprietary institutions are GE Programs. Many institutions that participate in the Title IV student assistance programs, even those that are public or non-profit and that predominantly offer degrees will likely have one or more GE Programs. In fact, fewer than 1,000 out of the approximately 6,000 institutions that are currently participating in the Title IV programs have no GE Programs. Therefore, all institutions must be aware of the new regulatory requirements and the information in the Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) GEN-11-10 on IFAP. Complete information on the GE Program requirements is available on the designated Gainful Employment Information Page that can be found at http://ifap.ed.gov/GainfulEmploymentInfo/.

1.2   Compliance

Final regulations published in the Federal Register on October 29, 2010, [75 FR 66832] require institutions that participate in the Federal student financial assistance programs to report certain information about students who enrolled in GE Programs. The regulatory required GE Program reporting will use NSLDS processes and be accomplished by submitting files via the Student Aid Information Gateway (SAIG) or through a special on-line process. Institutions submitting reports through the SAIG will receive an Error / Acknowledgment File after processing.

1.3   Reporting Requirements

Institutions must report on an Award Year basis. An Award Year is from July 1 to June 30. Initial reporting will include data for Award Years 2006-2007, 2007-2008, 2008-2009, 2009-2010, and 2010-2011. Subsequent reporting will be for only the most recently completed award year (e.g., information for the 2011-2012 Award Year must be reported by October 1, 2012). Note that a student who was enrolled in a GE Program in more than one award year must be included in the reporting for each of those award years.

The regulations provide that if information is not available for an Award Year, the institution must notify the Department. A special email mailbox has been established for this purpose: GE-Missing-Data@ed.gov. More information about the format for this reporting will be provided at a later date.

1.3.1   Students to Include

Institutions must report to the Department certain information about all of its students who enrolled in GE Programs, regardless of whether or not a student received Title IV student aid. However, institutions should not report students for whom the institution does not have a Social Security Number (SSN).

Foreign institutions need only include on their required GE reports students who are U.S. citizens or Title IV eligible noncitizens. These students should be reported whether or not the student received Title IV aid. Foreign institutions need not report on a GE Program if the number of reportable students enrolled in that program during the award year was ten (10) or fewer.

A student in more than one program must be reported separately for each of those programs. Additionally, a student who 'stopped out' and reentered the same program during the same award year must be reported separately for each separate instance of enrollment in the program.

1.4   Reporting Methods

The GE reporting process is managed electronically. Institutions will have multiple reporting options including multiple file formats as well as online functions. NSLDS will support fixed width format, XML format, and comma separated values (CSV) formats. Managing the reporting process may require both batch and online functions access, all depending on the method selected to provide the data to NSLDS. Institutions may submit records to NSLDS via batch.

1.4.1   Batch Reporting

The batch process allows institutions to transmit GE information electronically using their SAIG TG Mailbox. The institution may use the same SAIG TG Mailbox as is used for other batch functions, or may select another TG Mailbox associated with their institution. When utilizing batch processing, the institution must also have online access for the completion of the batch setup process and for the correction of GE records previously reported.

1.4.2   Online Reporting

Information regarding online reporting will be coming soon.

Chapter 2: NSLDS Gainful Employment Reporting Batch Processing

2.1 Batch Processing

Institutions submit a GE Submittal file to NSLDS using one of the batch file layouts described in Appendix A. NSLDS responds with the GE Error / Acknowledgement file to institutions which will include codes for any errors in the data received. Institutions send a GE Error Submittal File to NSLDS to correct data in the GE Error / Acknowledgement file sent to them by NSLDS.

Unlike the NSLDS Enrollment Roster process, all data will originate from the institution without an NSLDS file to prompt a response.

2.2 Batch File Formats

Multiple file formats are available for the purpose of GE reporting. NSLDS will support the use of a fixed width format, a comma separated value (CSV) format and a XML format. These formats all utilize the same data elements; it is only the format in which they are provided which varies slightly.

2.2.1 Batch File Types for Fixed Width and Comma Separated Value (CSV)

2.2.1.1 Submittal File

The following outlines the basics of the Fixed Width or Comma Separated Value (CSV) Submittal file.

- **Header, Detail, and Trailer Records**—Each GE file contains a single Header record, multiple Detail records, and a single Trailer record. The Header record identifies the source of the file and the file's preparation/creation date, as well as other identifying information. The Detail records, one for each student per GE Program, contains information specific to that students program for that Award Year. The Trailer record shows the number of Detail records contained in the file.

- **Format Data**—All Detail records must be formatted according to the record layout and field definition specifications in Appendix A. Verify changes and check for formatting errors before returning the submittal file to NSLDS.

2.2.1.2 Error / Acknowledgment File

The following outlines the basics of the Fixed Width or Comma Separated Value (CSV) Error / Acknowledgment file.

- **Header, Detail, and Trailer Records**—Each GE Error / Acknowledgment file contains a single Header record, multiple Detail records with the error codes at the end of each record, and a single Trailer record. The Header record identifies the source of the file and the file's preparation/creation date, as well as other identifying information. The Detail

records, one for each record submitted which has at least one error, contains information provided in the GE Submittal file with up to five errors identified. Records without errors, and accepted by NSLDS will not be in this file. The Trailer record shows the number of Detail records contained in the file.

- **Format Data**—All Detail records must be formatted according to the record layout and field definition specifications in Appendix A. Solutions for error codes provided can also be found in Appendix A. Verify changes and check for formatting errors before returning the submittal file to NSLDS.

2.2.1.3 Error Submittal File

The following outlines the basics of the Fixed Width or Comma Separated Value (CSV) Error Submittal file. The Error Submittal file layout follows that of the Submittal file, without any changes or additions.

- **Header, Detail, and Trailer Records**—Each GE Error Submittal file contains a single Header record, multiple Detail records, and a single Trailer record. The Header record identifies the source of the file and the file's preparation/creation date, as well as other identifying information. The Detail records, one for each record located in the Error / Acknowledgment file, contain information specific to that students program for that Award Year, with all previously identified errors corrected. The Trailer record shows the number of Detail records contained in the file.

- **Format Data**—All Detail records must be formatted according to the record layout and field definition specifications in Appendix A. Solutions for error codes provided can also be found in Appendix A. Verify changes and check for formatting errors before returning the submittal file to NSLDS.

2.2.2 Batch File Types for XML

2.2.2.1 Submittal File

The following outlines the basics of the XML Submittal file.

- **Header and Detail Elements**—Each GE file contains Header record elements and multiple Detail level elements. XML format does not support a Trailer record. The Header record elements identify the source of the file and the file's preparation/creation date, as well as other identifying information. The Detail record elements, one for each student per GE Program, contains information specific to that students program for that Award Year.

- **Format Data**—All Detail records must be formatted according to the XML schema and field definition specifications in Appendix A. Verify changes and check for formatting errors before returning the submittal file to NSLDS.

2.2.2.2 Error / Acknowledgment File

The following outlines the basics of the XML Error / Acknowledgment file.

- **Header and Detail Elements** —Each GE Error / Acknowledgment file contains Header record elements and multiple Detail level elements with the error codes at the end of each record. The Header record elements identify the source of the file and the file's preparation/creation date, as well as other identifying information. The Detail record elements, one for each record submitted which has at least one error, contains information provided in the GE Submittal file with up to five errors identified. Records without errors, and accepted by NSLDS will not be in this file.

- **Format Data**—All Detail records must be formatted according to the XML schema and field definition specifications in Appendix A. Solutions for error codes provided can also be found in Appendix A. Verify changes and check for formatting errors before returning the submittal file to NSLDS.

2.2.2.3 Error Submittal File

The following outlines the basics of the XML Error Submittal file. The Error Submittal file follows the element list of the Submittal file, without any changes or additions.

- **Header and Detail Elements** —Each GE Error Submittal file contains Header record elements and multiple Detail level elements. The Header record elements identify the source of the file and the file's preparation/creation date, as well as other identifying information. The Detail record elements, one for each record located in the Error / Acknowledgement file, contains information specific to that students program for that Award Year, with all previously identified errors corrected.

- **Format Data**— All Detail records must be formatted according to the XML schema and field definition specifications in Appendix A. Solutions for error codes provided can also be found in Appendix A. Verify changes and check for formatting errors before returning the submittal file to NSLDS.

2.3 Timing

Each file type has a mandatory timing component associated with its processing. See below for the timing of each file type:

File Type	Source/From	Target/To	Frequency /Timing
GE Submittal	Institutions	NSLDS	Report at least annually
GE Error / Acknowledgement	NSLDS	Institutions	Within 24 hours of processing Submittal
GE Error Submittal	Institutions	NSLDS	Within 10 days of receipt of Errors

Table 2-1: GE Batch Submittal Process

Batch files are submitted using the SAIG TG Mailbox associated with the GE Batch process. The message classes for the use of data exchanged through SAIG are outlined below.

NSLDS Gainful Employment files – Sending to NSLDS

Message Class	Description (44 Character limitation)
GESFLEIN	Gainful Employment Submittal - Fixed width
GESCDEIN	Gainful Employment Submittal - Comma Separated Value (CSV)
GESXMLIN	Gainful Employment Submittal - XML format

Table 2-2: GE Outgoing Message Classes

NSLDS Gainful Employment files – Receiving from NSLDS

Message Class	Description (44 Character limitation)
GERFLEOP	Gainful Employment Submittal - Fixed width
GERCDEOP	Gainful Employment Submittal - Comma Separated Value (CSV)
GERXMLOP	Gainful Employment Submittal - XML format

Table 2-3: GE Incoming Message Classes

Chapter 3: NSLDS Gainful Employment Reporting Online

This chapter will be added to include step-by-step online instructions soon.

Appendix A: Gainful Employment File Layout Description

Appendix A: Gainful Employment File Layout Description

This appendix defines the layout for each record within the GE Reporting files and each field within the records. Accuracy must be ensured in both the reporting data and correct placement and coding of the data within the files.

Institutions or their servicers send a GE Submittal file to NSLDS in accordance with ED guidelines. Institutions will receive a GE Error /Acknowledgement File after NSLDS processes their submittal. Institutions will then send a GE Error Submittal File to NSLDS to correct data in the GE Error / Acknowledgement file.

Record Layout Specifications

The field composition of the layout description includes the following:

- **Name**—Brief, descriptive title

- **Description**—Short narrative definition

- **Type**—Indicator of the kind of value that must be in the field, as follows:

  - *Character* denotes a field that may contain spaces, letters, or numbers in any combination—for example, 17 Magnolia Street. Character fields not specifically reported must be filled with spaces. If a field is said to require a value 'greater than spaces,' the field must contain at least one letter or number.

  - *Numeric* denotes a field that must contain only numbers—for example, 1234567 as a Loan Amount. Letters, special characters, or spaces in a numeric field are invalid. An entry of T491_24, for example, would not be accepted. Unless otherwise specified in the record layout, numeric fields not specifically reported must be filled with **zeros**.

  - *Date* fields must contain only numeric data, 8 digits, and appear in the format CCYYMMDD, where:

    $\Rightarrow$ CC = 2-digit century
    $\Rightarrow$ YY = 2-digit year
    $\Rightarrow$ MM = 2-digit month designation (01–12)
    $\Rightarrow$ DD = 2-digit day designation (01–31, depending on the month and year)

    Under this convention, an entry of **19950430** would be accepted, but **043095** would not. Unless otherwise specified in the record layout, date fields not specifically reported must be filled with **zeros**.

- **Size**—Number of bytes the field occupies

- **Comments**—Additional information about the field

- **Edit(s)**—Description of the error checking that NSLDS applies to the file that is returned

- **Reporting—**Instructions indicating whether the field must contain data other than spaces or zeroes are described below:

  - *Mandatory*—Fill in this field for every Detail record.

- ▪ *Mandatory, conditional—*Fill in this field if the condition described applies to the student. For example, Program Attendance End Date must be completed for 'C' or 'W' Program Attendance Status, but not for 'E' Program Attendance Status.

- ▪ *Optional—*Fill in this field if desired.

- **Position**—Position refers to the beginning and ending location (byte number) of the field within the record.

- **Data Element Number**—Data Element Number refers to the position of the data element being referred to in Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) GEN-11-10

- **Field Code**—Field Code refers to the number assigned to a given field in NSLDS and used in generating Error Messages

Fixed Width Format

Submittal and Error Submittal Files

Header Record

The following section provides the specifications of the Header record at the beginning of the GE Submittal and GE Error Submittal files.

Gainful Employment Submittal File Header Record   Record Length = 585

GE Submittal File Header Record					Record Type
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M	Num	3	1-3	N/A
Description	A 3-digit number that indicates header record.				
Comments	Must equal 000.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
File Level	None	File not processed.			
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GE Submittal File Header Record					Filler
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M	Char	25	4-28	N/A
Description	Spaces				
Comments	Fill with spaces				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
N/A	N/A	None			
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GE Submittal File Header Record						Header Text
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Char	20	29-48	N/A
Description	File name of the GE Student Submittal file.					
Comments	Must equal GE STUDENT SUBMITTAL.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
File Level	None	File not processed.				
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GE Submittal File Header Record						Submittal Date
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Date	8	49-56	N/A
Description	The date the GE Submittal File was created.					
Comments	CCYYMMDD format.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
File Level	None	File not processed.				
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GE Submittal File Header Record						File Type
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Char	1	57	N/A
Description	Field which indicates the specific type of GE file.					
Comments	'S' = Submittal File					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
File Level	None	File not processed.				
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GE Submittal File Header Record						Filler
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Char	76	58-133	N/A
Description	Spaces.					
Comments	Fill with spaces					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Submittal File Header Record					Institution Code (OPEID)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	O	Num	8	134-141	N/A
Description	The institution's 8-digit ED Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) code used to identify the institution.				
Comments	• Must be all numbers and a valid OPE institution code from the NSLDS. • If the institution has more than 99 locations, please contact : ge-questions@ed.gov • If not submitting OPEID in this field, populate with spaces.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
File Level	None	File not processed.			
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GE Submittal File Header Record					Filler
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M	Char	444	142-585	N/A
Description	Spaces.				
Comments	Fill with spaces				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
N/A	N/A	None			
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Detail Record

The following section provides the specifications of the Detail record(s) for the GE Submittal and GE Error Submittal files.

Gainful Employment Submittal File Detail Record   Length = 585

GE Submittal File Detail Record					Record Type
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
000	M	Num	3	1-3	N/A
Description	A 3-digit number that indicates detail record.				
Comments	Must be 001.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level	001	Required Field			
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation			
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GE Submittal File Detail Record					Award Year
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
001	M	Char	8	4-11	1
Description	Award Year the student was enrolled in the program.				
Comments	Award year is identified as the four digits of the first calendar year and the four digits of the second calendar year of the award year range. (Example: the award year of July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009 would be identified as 20082009. Cannot be less than 20052006 or greater than current award year.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level	001	Required Field			
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation			
Record Level	005	Invalid Format			
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GE Submittal File Detail Record					Student Social Security Number	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
002	M	Char	9	12-20	2	
Description	Social Security Number (SSN) of a student enrolled in a GE Program.					
Comments	• Must provide SSN along with the identifiers First Name, Last Name, and DOB. • If an institution believes the NSLDS data are incorrect, contact the data provider and provide them with verifying documents. • If SSN is not available, do not report this student.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	005	Invalid Format				
Record Level	009	SSN conflict				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record					Student First Name	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
003	M	Char	35	21-55	3	
Description	First name of a student enrolled in a GE Program.					
Comments	• If the student has no first name, this field contains NFN (no first name). • Must provide First Name if NLN (no last name) is used. • If existing NSLDS data are believed to be incorrect, contact the data provider and provide verifying documents.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record						Student Middle Name
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
004	O		Char	35	56-90	4
Description	Middle name or middle initial of a student enrolled in a GE Program.					
Comments	If student has no middle name, populate with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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GE Submittal File Detail Record						Student Last Name
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
005	M		Char	35	91-125	5
Description	Last name of a student enrolled in a GE Program.					
Comments	• If the student has no last name, this field contains NLN. • Must provide Last Name if NFN (no first name) is used. • If existing NSLDS data are believed to be incorrect, contact the data provider and provide verifying documents.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
Record Level	001		Required Field			
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GE Submittal File Detail Record						Student Date of Birth
Field Code 006	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional** M		**Type** Date	**Size** 8	**Position** 126-133	**Data Element Number** 6
Description	Date (year, month, and day) the student was born.					
Comments	• CCYYMMDD format. • If a student's birth date is unknown, this field contains 19000101. • If existing NSLDS data are believed to be incorrect, contact the data provider and provide verifying documents.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	003	Invalid date				
Record Level	012	Future date not allowed				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record				Institution Code (OPEID)	
Field Code 007	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional** M	**Type** Num	**Size** 8	**Position** 134-141	**Data Element Number** 7
Description	The institution's 8-digit Office of Postsecondary Education Identifier (OPEID).				
Comments	• Must be all numbers and a valid OPE institution code from the NSLDS. • The first 6 digits identify the institution; the last two digits identify the specific location where the student attended the educational program being reported on. • If the institution has more than 99 locations, please contact : ge-questions@ed.gov • Eligibility and Certification Approval Report (ECAR). An institution may view an electronic copy of its ECAR at www.eligcert.ed.gov.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level	001	Required Field			
Record Level	002	Invalid Number			
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation			
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GE Submittal File Detail Record				Institution Name	
Field Code 008	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional** M	**Type** Char	**Size** 65	**Position** 142-206	**Data Element Number** 8
Description	Name of institution.				
Comments	Official name of the institution as included on the institution's Department of Education's ECAR.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level	001	Required Field			
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GE Submittal File Detail Record						GE Program Indicator
Field Code		**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
009		M	Char	1	207	9
Description		An indicator that the program being reported on is a Gainful Employment Program.				
Comments		• Report 'Y' if the program being reported on is categorized as a GE Program. • Report 'N' if the program being reported on is NOT categorized as a GE Program.				
Edit Level		**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level		001	Required Field			
Record Level		004	Permitted Value Violation			
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GE Submittal File Detail Record						Program Name
Field Code		**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
010		MC	Char	80	208-287	10
Description		Institutional name of the program the student was enrolled in during the award year.				
Comments		If GE indicator is 'Y' then the Program Name must be populated.				
Edit Level		**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level		006	Required field when another field on the record is reported			
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GE Submittal File Detail Record						CIP Code
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
011	M		Char	6	288-293	11
Description	Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) Code for program student was enrolled.					
Comments	Six digit code assigned by the academic offices of the institution.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
Record Level	001		Required Field			
Record Level	002		Invalid Number			
Record Level	004		Permitted Value Violation			
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GE Submittal File Detail Record						Credential Level
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
012	M		Char	2	294-295	12
Description	Credential Level of the program the student was enrolled during this award year.					

Comments	Must be one of the following:
	    '01' (Undergraduate certificate)
	    '02' (Associate's degree)
	    '03' (Bachelor's degree)
	    '04' (Post baccalaureate certificate)
	    '05' (Master's degree)
	    '06' (Doctoral degree)
	    '07' (First professional degree)					

Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
Record Level	001		Required Field			
Record Level	004		Permitted Value Violation			
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GE Submittal File Detail Record			Medical or Dental Internship or Residency			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
13	M		Char	1	296	13
Description	Medical or Dental Internship or Residency Program.					
Comments	'Y' (Student must complete medical or dental internship) 'N' (Otherwise) - A required medical or dental internship or residency is a supervised training program that- 1. Requires the student to hold a degree as a doctor of medicine or osteopathy, or a doctor of dental science; 2. Leads to a degree or certificate awarded by an institution of higher education, a hospital, or a health care facility that offers post-graduate training; and 3. Must be completed before the borrower may be licensed by the State and board certified for professional practice or service.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record					FFEL or Direct Loans	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
014	M	Char	1	297	14	
Description	Verifies that the student received a FFEL or Direct Loan for program student was enrolled.					
Comments	• Report 'Y' if the student received an FFEL or Direct Loan at any time during the attendance in the Educational Program. • Otherwise report 'N'. • Do not include Perkins loans, Parent PLUS loans or TEACH Grants. • Do include Grad PLUS.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record					Program Attendance Begin Date	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
015	M	Date	8	298-305	15	
Description	Date student began enrollment in the educational program.					
Comments	• CCYYMMDD format. • Report this date even if it precedes the beginning of the award year being reported on. • If the date is unknown, populate this field with zeros.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	003	Invalid date				
Record Level	008	End/stop date must be greater than or equal to begin/start date				
Record Level	012	Future date not allowed				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record		Program Attendance Begin Date for this Award Year				
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
016	M	Date	8	306-313	16	
Description	Date in this award year student began enrollment in the educational program.					
Comments	• Must be within the date range indicated by the award year field (Data Element #1). • CCYYMMDD format					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	003	Invalid date				
Record Level	012	Future date not allowed				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record		Program Attendance Status				
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
017	M	Char	1	314	17	
Description	The enrollment status of the student in the educational program.					
Comments	Must be one of the following: ▪ '**C**' (Completed) If student completed the educational program at any time during the award year. ▪ '**W**' (Withdrew) If student withdrew from the educational program at any time during the award year. ▪ '**E**' (Enrolled) If student was enrolled in the educational program on the last day of the award year, June 30.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record				Program Attendance End Date		
Field Code 018	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional** MC	**Type** Date	**Size** 8	**Position** 315-322	**Data Element Number** 18	
Description	Date of student's completion or withdrawal from the GE Program.					
Comments	• CCYYMMDD format. • Must be within the date range indicated by the award year field. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W'.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	003	Invalid date				
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level	012	Future date not allowed				
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record					Private Loans Amount	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
019	MC	Num	6	323-328	19	

Description	Gross amount of private loans the student received for attendance in GE Program.
Comments	• Gross amount of private educational loans received by the student at any time for attendance in the GE Program (not just for this award year). • Report whole dollars only, no dollar signs, commas, or decimal points. Round to the nearest whole dollar. If the student did not receive any private educational loans, enter all zeros. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W'.

Edit Level	Error Code	Error
Record Level	001	Required Field
Record Level	002	Invalid Number
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record
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GE Submittal File Detail Record					Institutional Financing Amount	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
020	MC	Num	6	329-334	20	
Description	Amount of institutional financing for attendance in GE Program					
Comments	• Total amount owed by student from institutional financing plans for attendance in the GE Program as of the day the student completed or withdrew from the program, not just from this award year. • Report whole dollars only, no dollar signs, commas, or decimal points. If student did not receive any institutional financing, enter all zeros. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W'.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	002	Invalid Number				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record					Reserved for Future Use	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
021	M	Num	6	335-340	21	
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Must be filled with zeros					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record					Enrolled in Another Program	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
022	MC	Char	1	341	22	
Description	Enrolled in another Program.					
Comments	• Must be: 'S' (Same institution) 'D' (Different institution) 'N' (Neither) • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and enrollment is at the same institution.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record						CIP Code of Other Program	
Field Code		**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**		**Data Element Number**
023		MC	Char	6	342-347		23
Description		Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) Code of other Program					
Comments		• Six digit code assigned by the academic offices of the institution. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'. • Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'. • If Program Attendance Status equals 'N', populate with spaces.					
Edit Level		**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level		002	Invalid Number				
Record Level		004	Permitted Value Violation				
Record Level		006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level		017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level		018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record				Credential Level of Other Program		
Field Code 024	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional** MC	**Type** Char	**Size** 2	**Position** 348-349		**Data Element Number** 24
Description	Credential Level of other Program.					

Comments	• Must be:
	    '01' (Undergraduate certificate)
	    '02' (Associate's degree)
	    '03' (Bachelor's degree)
	    '04' (Post baccalaureate certificate)
	    '05' (Master's degree)
	    '06' (Doctoral degree)
	    '07' (First professional degree)
	• Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'.
	• Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'.
	• If Program Attendance Status equals 'N', populate with spaces.					

Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record				Program Name of Other Program		
Field Code 025	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional** MC	**Type** Char	**Size** 80	**Position** 350-429	**Data Element Number** 25	

Description	Name of Other Program.
Comments	• Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'. • Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'. • If Program Attendance Status equals 'N', populate with spaces.

Edit Level	Error Code	Error
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record

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GE Submittal File Detail Record			GE Program Indicator of Other Program			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
026	MC	Char	1	430	26	

Description	GE Program Indicator of other Program.
Comments	• 'Y' (GE Program) • 'N' (Otherwise) • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'. • Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'. • If Program Attendance Status equals 'N', populate with spaces.

Edit Level	Error Code	Error
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record
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GE Submittal File Detail Record			OPEID of Other Program Institution			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
027	MC		Num	6	431-436	27

Description	The institution's 6-digit ED Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) code used to identify the institution.
Comments	• Must be all numbers and a valid OPE institution code from the NSLDS. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'. • Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'. • If Program Attendance Status equals 'N', populate with zeros. • If the institution has more than 99 locations, please contact : ge-questions@ed.gov

Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**
Record Level	002	Invalid Number
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record
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GE Submittal File Detail Record				Institution Name for Other Program		
Field Code 028	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional** MC	**Type** Char	**Size** 65	**Position** 437-501	**Data Element Number** 28	
Description	Institution Name for Other Program.					
Comments	• Official name of the institution where the student attends the other program. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'. • Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Submittal File Detail Record						Filler
Field Code 029	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional** M	**Type** Char	**Size** 84	**Position** 502-585	**Data Element Number** 29	
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Fill with spaces					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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Trailer Record

The following section provides specifications of the Trailer record which is part of the GE Submittal and GE Error Submittal files.

Gainful Employment Submittal File Trailer Record   Record Length = 585

GE Submittal File Trailer Record						Record Type
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Num	3	1-3	N/A
Description	'999' indicates trailer record.					
Comments	Must be populated with '999'					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
File Level	None		File not processed.			
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GE Submittal File Trailer Record						Filler
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Char	25	4-28	N/A
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Fill with spaces					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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GE Submittal File Trailer Record					Detail Record Count	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
N/A	M	Num	8	29-36	N/A	
Description	Number of detail records in the submittal file.					
Comments	Must be a numeric value.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
File Level	None	File not processed.				
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GE Submittal File Trailer Record					Filler	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
N/A	M	Char	97	37-133	N/A	
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Fill with spaces					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Submittal File Trailer Record					OPEID
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	O	Num	8	134-141	N/A
Description	The institution's 8-digit ED Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) code used to identify the institution.				
Comments	• Must be all numbers and a valid OPE institution code from the NSLDS. • If the institution has more than 99 locations, please contact : ge-questions@ed.gov • Must be same value as reported in the header record.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
File Level	None	File not processed.			
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GE Submittal File Trailer Record					Filler
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M	Char	444	142-585	N/A
Description	Spaces				
Comments	Fill with spaces				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
N/A	N/A	None			
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Error / Acknowledgement File Layout

Header Record

The following section provides the specifications of the Header record at the beginning of the GE Error / Acknowledgment file.

Gainful Employment Error/Acknowledgement File Header Record   Record Length = 585

GE Error/Acknowledgement File Header Record						Record Type
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Num	3	1-3	N/A
Description	A 3-digit number that indicates header record.					
Comments	Must equal 000.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Header Record						Filler
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Char	25	4-28	N/A
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Will be blank					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Header Record		Header Text				
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Char	20	29-48	N/A
Description	File name of the GE Student Error file.					
Comments	Must equal GE STUDENT ERROR.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Header Record		Submittal Date				
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Date	8	49-56	N/A
Description	The date the GE Submittal File was created.					
Comments	CCYYMMDD format.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Header Record						File Type
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Char	1	57	N/A
Description	Field which indicates the specific type of GE file.					
Comments	'E' = Error/Acknowledgment File					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Header Record						Filler
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Char	76	58-133	N/A
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Will be blank					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Header Record				Institution Code (OPEID)

Field Code	Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional	Type	Size	Position	Data Element Number
N/A	O	Num	8	134-141	N/A

Description	The institution's 8-digit ED Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) code used to identify the institution.
Comments	• Must be all numbers and a valid OPE institution code from the NSLDS. • If the institution has more than 99 locations, please contact : ge-questions@ed.gov • If not submitting OPEID in this field, populate with spaces.

Edit Level	Error Code	Error
N/A	N/A	None

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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Header Record				Filler

Field Code	Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional	Type	Size	Position	Data Element Number
N/A	M	Char	444	142-585	N/A

Description	Spaces
Comments	Will be blank

Edit Level	Error Code	Error
N/A	N/A	None

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Detail Record

The following section provides the specifications of the Detail record(s) for the GE Error / Acknowledgment file.

Gainful Employment Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record   Length = 585

GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Record Type
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
000	M	Num	3	1-3	N/A

Description	A 3-digit number that indicates detail record.
Comments	Must be 001.

Edit Level	Error Code	Error
Record Level	001	Required Field
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation

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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Award Year
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
001	M	Char	8	4-11	1

Description	Award Year the student was enrolled in the program.
Comments	Award year is identified as the four digits of the first calendar year and the four digits of the second calendar year of the award year range. (Example: the award year of July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009 would be identified as 20082009. Cannot be less than 20052006 or greater than current award year.

Edit Level	Error Code	Error
Record Level	001	Required Field
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation
Record Level	005	Invalid Format

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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Student Social Security Number	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
002	M	Char	9	12-20	2	
Description	Social Security Number (SSN) of a student enrolled in a GE Program.					
Comments	• Must provide SSN along with the identifiers First Name, Last Name, and DOB. • If an institution believes the NSLDS data are incorrect, contact the data provider and provide them with verifying documents. • If SSN is not available, do not report this student.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	005	Invalid Format				
Record Level	009	SSN conflict				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Student First Name	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
003	M	Char	35	21-55	3	
Description	First name of a student enrolled in a GE Program.					
Comments	• If the student has no first name, this field contains NFN (no first name). • Must provide First Name if NLN (no last name) is used. • If existing NSLDS data are believed to be incorrect, contact the data provider and provide verifying documents.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Student Middle Name
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
004	O		Char	35	56-90	4
Description	Middle name or middle initial of a student enrolled in a GE Program.					
Comments	If student has no middle name, populate with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Student Last Name
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
005	M		Char	35	91-125	5
Description	Last name of a student enrolled in a GE Program.					
Comments	• If the student has no last name, this field contains NLN. • Must provide Last Name if NFN (no first name) is used. • If existing NSLDS data are believed to be incorrect, contact the data provider and provide verifying documents.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Student Date of Birth
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
006	M		Date	8	126-133	6

Description	Date (year, month, and day) the student was born.
Comments	- CCYYMMDD format. - If a student's birth date is unknown, this field contains 19000101. - If existing NSLDS data are believed to be incorrect, contact the data provider and provide verifying documents.

Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**
Record Level	001	Required Field
Record Level	003	Invalid date
Record Level	012	Future date not allowed

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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record				Institution Code (OPEID)	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
007	M	Num	8	134-141	7
Description	The institution's 8-digit Office of Postsecondary Education Identifier (OPEID).				
Comments	• Must be all numbers and a valid OPE institution code from the NSLDS. • The first 6 digits identify the institution; the last two digits identify the specific location where the student attended the educational program being reported on. • If the institution has more than 99 locations, please contact : ge-questions@ed.gov • Eligibility and Certification Approval Report (ECAR). An institution may view an electronic copy of its ECAR at www.eligcert.ed.gov.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level	001	Required Field			
Record Level	002	Invalid Number			
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record				Institution Name	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
008	M	Char	65	142-206	8
Description	Name of institution.				
Comments	Official name of the institution as included on the institution's Department of Education's ECAR.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level	001	Required Field			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					GE Program Indicator	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
009	M	Char	1	207	9	
Description	An indicator that the program being reported on is a Gainful Employment Program.					
Comments	• Report 'Y' if the program being reported on is categorized as a GE Program. • Report 'N' if the program being reported on is NOT categorized as a GE Program.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Program Name	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
010	MC	Char	80	208-287	10	
Description	Institutional name of the program the student was enrolled in during the award year.					
Comments	If GE indicator is 'Y' then the Program Name must be populated.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					CIP Code
Field Code 011	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional** M	**Type** Char	**Size** 6	**Position** 288-293	**Data Element Number** 11
Description	Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) Code for program student was enrolled.				
Comments	Six digit code assigned by the academic offices of the institution.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level	001	Required Field			
Record Level	002	Invalid Number			
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Credential Level
Field Code 012	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional** M	**Type** Char	**Size** 2	**Position** 294-295	**Data Element Number** 12
Description	Credential Level of the program the student was enrolled during this award year.				

Comments	Must be one of the following:
	    '01' (Undergraduate certificate)
	    '02' (Associate's degree)
	    '03' (Bachelor's degree)
	    '04' (Post baccalaureate certificate)
	    '05' (Master's degree)
	    '06' (Doctoral degree)
	    '07' (First professional degree)				

Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level	001	Required Field			
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record		Medical or Dental Internship or Residency				
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
13	M		Char	1	296	13
Description	Medical or Dental Internship or Residency Program.					

Comments	• 'Y' (Student must complete medical or dental internship)
	 • 'N' (Otherwise).
	 • A required medical or dental internship or residency is a supervised training program that-
	   1. Requires the student to hold a degree as a doctor of medicine or osteopathy, or a doctor of dental science;
	   2. Leads to a degree or certificate awarded by an institution of higher education, a hospital, or a health care facility that offers post-graduate training; and
	   3. Must be completed before the borrower may be licensed by the State and board certified for professional practice or service.					

Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
Record Level	001		Required Field			
Record Level	004		Permitted Value Violation			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record				FFEL or Direct Loans		
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
014	M		Char	1	297	14
Description	Verifies that the student received a FFEL or Direct Loan for program student was enrolled.					
Comments	• Report 'Y' if the student received an FFEL or Direct Loan at any time during the attendance in the Educational Program. • Otherwise report 'N'. • Do not include Perkins loans, Parent PLUS loans or TEACH Grants. • Do include Grad PLUS.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record				Program Attendance Begin Date		
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
015	M		Date	8	298-305	15
Description	Date student began enrollment in the educational program.					
Comments	• CCYYMMDD format. • Report this date even if it precedes the beginning of the award year being reported on. • If the date is unknown, populate this field with zeros.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	003	Invalid date				
Record Level	008	End/stop date must be greater than or equal to begin/start date				
Record Level	012	Future date not allowed				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record		Program Attendance Begin Date for this Award Year			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
016	M	Date	8	306-313	16
Description	Date in this award year student began enrollment in the educational program.				
Comments	• Must be within the date range indicated by the award year field (Data Element #1). • CCYYMMDD format				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level	001	Required Field			
Record Level	003	Invalid date			
Record Level	012	Future date not allowed			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record		Program Attendance Status			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
017	M	Char	1	314	17
Description	The enrollment status of the student in the educational program.				
Comments	Must be one of the following: ▪ '**C**' (Completed) If student completed the educational program at any time during the award year. ▪ '**W**' (Withdrew) If student withdrew from the educational program at any time during the award year. ▪ '**E**' (Enrolled) If student was enrolled in the educational program on the last day of the award year, June 30.				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
Record Level	001	Required Field			
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record			Program Attendance End Date			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
018	MC	Date	8	315-322	18	
Description	Date of student's completion or withdrawal from the GE Program.					
Comments	• CCYYMMDD format. • Must be within the date range indicated by the award year field. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W'.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	003	Invalid date				
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level	012	Future date not allowed				
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Private Loans Amount	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
019	MC		Num	6	323-328	19
Description	Amount of private loans the student received for attendance in GE Program.					
Comments	• Amount of private educational loans received by the student at any time for attendance in the GE Program (not just for this award year). • Report whole dollars only, no dollar signs, commas, or decimal points. Round to the nearest whole dollar. If the student did not receive any private educational loans, enter all zeros. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W'.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	002	Invalid Number				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record		Institutional Financing Amount				
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
020	MC	Num	6	329-334	20	
Description	Amount of institutional financing for attendance in GE Program					
Comments	• Total amount owed by student from institutional financing plans for attendance in the GE Program as of the day the student completed or withdrew from the program, not just from this award year. • Report whole dollars only, no dollar signs, commas, or decimal points. If student did not receive any institutional financing, enter all zeros. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W'.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	001	Required Field				
Record Level	002	Invalid Number				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record		Reserved for Future Use				
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
021	M	Num	6	335-340	21	
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Must be filled with zeros					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
Date Revised	May 15, 2011					

GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Enrolled in Another Program		
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
022	MC		Char	1	341	22	

Description	Enrolled in another Program.
Comments	• Must be: 'S' (Same institution) 'D' (Different institution) 'N' (Neither) • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and enrollment is at the same institution.

Edit Level	Error Code	Error
Record Level	001	Required Field
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					CIP Code of Other Program		
Field Code		**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
023		MC	Char	6	342-347	23	
Description		Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) Code of other Program					
Comments		• Six digit code assigned by the academic offices of the institution. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'. • Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'. • If Program Attendance Status equals 'N', populate with spaces.					
Edit Level		**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level		002	Invalid Number				
Record Level		004	Permitted Value Violation				
Record Level		006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level		017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level		018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record				Credential Level of Other Program		
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
024	MC		Char	2	348-349	24

Description	Credential Level of other Program.

Comments	• Must be:
	    '01' (Undergraduate certificate)
	    '02' (Associate's degree)
	    '03' (Bachelor's degree)
	    '04' (Post baccalaureate certificate)
	    '05' (Master's degree)
	    '06' (Doctoral degree)
	    '07' (First professional degree)
	• Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'.
	• Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'.
	• If Program Attendance Status equals 'N', populate with spaces.

Edit Level	Error Code	Error
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record				Program Name of Other Program		
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
025	MC	Char	80	350-429	25	

Description	Name of Other Program.
Comments	• Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'. • Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'. • If Program Attendance Status equals 'N', populate with spaces.

Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record

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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record			GE Program Indicator of Other Program			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
026	MC	Char	1	430	26	
Description	GE Program Indicator of other Program.					
Comments	'Y' (GE Program) 'N' (Otherwise) - Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'. - Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'. - If Program Attendance Status equals 'N', populate with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record			OPEID of Other Program Institution			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
027	MC	Num	6	431-436	27	

Description	The institution's 6-digit ED Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) code used to identify the institution.
Comments	• Must be all numbers and a valid OPE institution code from the NSLDS. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'. • Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'. • If Program Attendance Status equals 'N', populate with zeros. • If the institution has more than 99 locations, please contact : ge-questions@ed.gov

Edit Level	Error Code	Error
Record Level	002	Invalid Number
Record Level	004	Permitted Value Violation
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record			Institution Name for Other Program			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
028	MC	Char	65	437-501	28	
Description	Institution Name for Other Program.					
Comments	• Official name of the institution where the student attends the other program. • Required if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'S'. • Optional if Program Attendance Status equals 'C' or 'W' and Enrolled in Another Program equals 'D'.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
Record Level	006	Required field when another field on the record is reported				
Record Level	017	Required field based on the value of another field on the record				
Record Level	018	Exclude field based on the value of another field on the record				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Filler	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
029	M	Char	49	502-550	N/A	
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Will be blank					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
File Level						
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Field in Error (1)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
030	M		Char	3	551-553	N/A
Description	Field Code in which an error was found					
Comments	Will be populated with the first field to be in error for the detail record.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Error Code (1)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
031	M		Char	3	554-556	N/A
Description	Error Code which describes the error					
Comments	Will be populated with the first error to be identified for the detail record.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Filler (1)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
032	M		Char	1	557	N/A
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Will be blank					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Field in Error (2)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
033	M		Char	3	558-560	N/A
Description	Field Code in which an error was found					
Comments	• Will be populated with the second field to be in error for the detail record. • If no additional errors were identified for this record, this field will be filled with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Error Code (2)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
034	M		Char	3	561-563	N/A
Description	Error Code which describes the error					
Comments	• Will be populated with the second error to be identified for the detail record. • If no additional errors were identified for this record, this field will be filled with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Filler (2)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
035	M		Char	1	564	N/A
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Will be blank					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Field in Error (3)	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
036	M	Char	3	565-567	N/A	
Description	Field Code in which an error was found					
Comments	• Will be populated with the third field to be in error for the detail record. • If no additional errors were identified for this record, this field will be filled with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record					Error Code (3)	
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
037	M	Char	3	568-570	N/A	
Description	Error Code which describes the error					
Comments	• Will be populated with the third error to be identified for the detail record. • If no additional errors were identified for this record, this field will be filled with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Filler (3)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
038	M		Char	1	571	N/A
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Will be blank					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Field in Error (4)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
039	M		Char	3	572-574	N/A
Description	Field Code in which an error was found					
Comments	• Will be populated with the fourth field to be in error for the detail record. • If no additional errors were identified for this record, this field will be filled with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Error Code (4)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
040	M		Char	3	575-577	N/A
Description	Error Code which describes the error					
Comments	• Will be populated with the fourth error to be identified for the detail record. • If no additional errors were identified for this record, this field will be filled with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Filler (4)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
041	M		Char	1	578	N/A
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Will be blank					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record			Field in Error (5)			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
042	M	Char	3	579-581	N/A	
Description	Field Code in which an error was found					
Comments	• Will be populated with the fifth field to be in error for the detail record. • If no additional errors were identified for this record, this field will be filled with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record			Error Code (5)			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**	
043	M	Char	3	582-584	N/A	
Description	Error Code which describes the error					
Comments	• Will be populated with the fifth error to be identified for the detail record. • If no additional errors were identified for this record, this field will be filled with spaces.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**				
N/A	N/A	None				
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Detail Record						Filler (5)
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
044	M		Char	1	585	N/A
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Will be blank					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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Trailer Record

The following section provides specifications of the Trailer record which is part of the GE Error / Acknowledgement file.

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Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Num	3	1-3	N/A
Description	'999' indicates trailer record.					
Comments						
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Trailer Record						Filler
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Char	25	4-28	N/A
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Will be blank					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Trailer Record			Detail Record Count			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Num	8	29-36	N/A
Description	Number of detail records in the submittal file.					
Comments	Must be a numeric value.					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Trailer Record			Filler			
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**		**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M		Char	97	37-133	N/A
Description	Spaces					
Comments	Will be blank					
Edit Level	**Error Code**		**Error**			
N/A	N/A		None			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Trailer Record					OPEID
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	O	Num	8	134-141	N/A
Description	The institution's 8-digit ED Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) code used to identify the institution.				
Comments	• Must be all numbers and a valid OPE institution code from the NSLDS. • Must be same value as reported in the header record. • If the institution has more than 99 locations, please contact : <ins>ge-questions@ed.gov</ins>				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
N/A	N/A	None			
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GE Error/Acknowledgement File Trailer Record					Filler
Field Code	**Mandatory/ Mandatory Conditional/ Optional**	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Data Element Number**
N/A	M	Char	444	142-585	N/A
Description	Spaces				
Comments	Will be blank				
Edit Level	**Error Code**	**Error**			
N/A	N/A	None			
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Comma Separated Value Format

Submittal and Error Submittal Files

The Comma Separated Values (CSV) versions of the GE files will contain the same fields as the flat file versions and in the same order. The only differences will be that the fields will be of variable length and will be separated by commas.

Any commas in the fields of a CSV file submitted to NSLDS must be inside quotation marks in order for the file to be processed successfully by NSLDS.

Gainful Employment Submittal File Header Record

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Record Type	Record Type	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Header Text	GE STUDENT SUBMITTAL	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Submittal Date	Submittal Date	Date
Comma	Comma	Char.
File Type	File Type	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
OPEID	School Code/School Branch Code	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.

Gainful Employment Submittal File Detail Record

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Record Type	Record Type	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Award Year	Award Year	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Student SSN	Student Social Security Number	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Student First Name	Student First Name	Char.

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Comma	Comma	Char.
Student Middle Name	Student Middle Name	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Student Last Name	Student Last Name	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Student DOB	Student Date of Birth	Date
Comma	Comma	Char.
OPEID	OPEID	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Institution Name	Institution Name	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
GE Program Indicator	GE Program Indicator	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Name	Program Name	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
CIP Code	CIP Code	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Credential Level	Credential Level	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Medical or Dental	Medical or Dental Internship or Residency	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
FFEL or Direct Loans	FFEL or Direct Loans	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Attendance Begin Date	Program Attendance Begin Date	Date
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Attendance Begin Date for this Award Year	Program Attendance Begin Date for this Award Year	Date.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Attendance Status	Program Attendance Status	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Attendance End Date	Program Attendance End Date	Date
Comma	Comma	Char.
Private Loans Amount	Private Loans Amount	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Institutional Financing Amount	Institutional Financing Amount	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Reserved for Future Use	Reserved for Future Use	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Enrolled in Another Program	Enrolled in Another Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
CIP Code of Other Program	CIP Code of Other Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Credential Level of Other Program	Credential Level of Other Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Name of Other Program	Program Name of Other Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
GE Program Indictor of Other Program	GE Program Indictor of Other Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
OPEID of Other Program Institution	OPEID of Other Program Institution	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Institution name of Other Program	Institution name of Other Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.

Gainful Employment Submittal File Trailer Record

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Record Type	Record Type	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Detail Record Count	Detail Record Count	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
OPEID	OPEID	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.

Error / Acknowledgement File

Gainful Employment Error / Acknowledgement File Header Record

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Record Type	Record Type	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Header Text	GE STUDENT ERROR	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Submittal Date	Submittal Date	Date
Comma	Comma	Char.
File Type	File Type	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
OPEID	School Code/School Branch Code	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.

Gainful Employment Error / Acknowledgement File Detail Record

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Record Type	Record Type	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Award Year	Award Year	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Student SSN	Student Social Security Number	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Student First Name	Student First Name	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Student Middle Name	Student Middle Name	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Student Last Name	Student Last Name	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Student DOB	Student Date of Birth	Date
Comma	Comma	Char.
OPEID	OPEID	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Institution Name	Institution Name	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
GE Program Indicator	GE Program Indicator	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Name	Program Name	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
CIP Code	CIP Code	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Credential Level	Credential Level	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Medical or Dental	Medical or Dental Internship or Residency	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
FFEL or Direct Loans	FFEL or Direct Loans	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Attendance Begin Date	Program Attendance Begin Date	Date
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Attendance Begin Date for this Award Year	Program Attendance Begin Date for this Award Year	Date.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Attendance Status	Program Attendance Status	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Attendance End Date	Program Attendance End Date	Date
Comma	Comma	Char.
Private Loans Amount	Private Loans Amount	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Institutional Financing Amount	Institutional Financing Amount	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Reserved for Future Use	Reserved for Future Use	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Enrolled in Another Program	Enrolled in Another Program	Char.

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Comma	Comma	Char.
CIP Code of Other Program	CIP Code of Other Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Credential Level of Other Program	Credential Level of Other Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Program Name of Other Program	Program Name of Other Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
GE Program Indictor of Other Program	GE Program Indictor of Other Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
OPEID of Other Program Institution	OPEID of Other Program Institution	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Institution name of Other Program	Institution name of Other Program	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Field in Error 1	Field in Error 1	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Error Code 1	Error Code 1	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Field in Error 2	Field in Error 2	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Error Code 2	Error Code 2	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Field in Error 3	Field in Error 3	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Error Code 3	Error Code 3	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Field in Error 4	Field in Error 4	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Error Code 4	Error Code 4	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Field in Error 5	Field in Error 5	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Error Code 5	Error Code 5	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.

Gainful Employment Error / Acknowledgement File Trailer Record

Data Element	Description	Field Format
Record Type	Record Type	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Detail Record Count	Detail Record Count	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.
Comma	Comma	Char.
OPEID	OPEID	Num.
Comma	Comma	Char.
Filler	Filler	Char.

XML Data Elements Format

For complete definitions, formats, data rules and errors for the corresponding Field Code, see the Gainful Employment Submittal File Detail Record, located at the beginning of Appendix A.

GE XML

Data Element #	Tag	Lth	Data Type	M/O
1.	<AwardYear>	8	Char	M
2.	<StudentSsn>	9	Char	M
3.	<StudentFirstName>	35	Char	M
4.	<StudentMiddleName>	35	Char	O
5.	<StudentLastName>	35	Char	M
6.	<StudentDob>	8	Date	M
7.	<Opeid>	8	Num	M
8.	<InstitutionName>	65	Char	M
9.	<GeProgramIndicator>	1	Char	M
10.	<ProgramName>	80	Char	M
11.	<CipCode>	6	Char	M
12.	<CredentialLevel>	2	Char	M
13.	<MedicalDentalInternshipResidency>	1	Char	M
14.	<FfelDirectLoans>	1	Char	M
15.	<ProgramAttendanceBeginDate>	8	Date	M
16.	<ProgramAttendanceBeginDateThisAwardYear>	8	Date	M
17.	<ProgramAttendanceStatus>	1	Char	M
18.	<ProgramAttendanceEndDate>	8	Date	O
19.	<PrivateLoansAmount>	6	Num	O
20.	<InstitutionalFinancingAmount>	6	Num	O
21.	<ReservedforFutureUse>	6	Num	M
22.	<EnrolledInAnotherProgram>	1	Char	O
23.	<CipCodeOfOtherProgram>	6	Char	O
24.	<CredentialLevelOfOtherProgram>	2	Char	O
25.	<ProgramNameOfOtherProgram>	80	Char	O
26.	<GeProgramIndicatorOfOtherProgram>	1	Char	O
27.	<OpeidOfOtherProgramInstitution>	6	Num	O
28.	<InstitutionNameOfOtherProgram>	65	Char	O
N/A	<ErrorCode>	N/A		M

XML Schema

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type="StudentNameType" minOccurs="0" />
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/>
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