# HEERF II - Federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSAA) Act

In March 2021, As part of the federal government's Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), the College received HEERF II supplemental funds designed to assist students in need due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

# Application Deadline: March 31, 2021

\*An application does not guarantee funding will be awarded.

# Who is eligible to receive CRRSAA funding?

- Application submission attesting to incurring unexpected expenses due to COVID-19
- Matriculated as of March 18, 2021
- U.S. citizenship status
- A valid 2020-21 FAFSA Title IV eligible

### Who is considered ineligible for funding?

• International and DACA students

### What expenses can be covered with CARES Act funding?

Grants are intended to reduce financial hardship during the COVID-19 pandemic, but in some instances will not fully resolve or remove the financial burden. Examples of COVID-19 related expenses eligible for grant consideration include, but are not limited to:

- Any component of a student's Cost of Attendance
- Tuition
- Food
- Housing
- Healthcare (including mental health)
- Childcare

# Can I use my CRRSAA payment towards a current/past due balance?

Yes. Per federal guidance, emergency cash grants to students can be applied towards outstanding balances.

#### How were awards determined?

Based on the student allocation of \$130,822, five (5) tiered distribution block grants were created based on a student's 2020-21 Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and prioritizing those students by greatest financial need. If no FAFSA was on file, the Financial Aid Coordinator confirmed citizenship status with the admissions department and categorized need levels based on Tier 5.

Tier	EFC	Blocks
1	\$0 - \$5,711	\$ 1,500
2	\$5,712 - \$10,000	\$ 1,250
3	\$10,001 - \$20,000	\$750
4	\$20,001 - \$30,000	\$500
5	\$30,001 + or No FAFSA	\$400

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The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under CRRSAA Act as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the 30-day Report and every 45 days thereafter).

• \$139,300 was awarded as of April 7, 2021. \$130,822 was distributed from the student portion and \$8,478 was developed from the institutional portion.

How many students have been awarded CRRSAA Act?

- 124 students have been approved for funds and awarded as of April 7, 2021
- 1 application did not meet eligibility requirements
- 107 eligible students requested mailed paper check
- 17 eligible students requested "Opt-In" feature to pay current balance

**CRRSAA Act Institutional Emergency Grant Funds Reporting** 

- The College received \$8,624 on April 8, 2021 for additional technological enhancements to better social distancing opportunities within the classroom setting.
- The College received \$8,478 for additional student grants.