

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) is authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260, signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020. HEERF III is authorized by the American Rescue Plan (ARP), Public Law 117-2, signed into law on March 11, 2021.

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II & III Reporting – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students October 10, 2021 for third quarter ending September 30, 2021.

(The following disclosure complies with HEERF reporting as required by the Office of Postsecondary Education document 86 FR 26213 dated 2021-05-13.)

Winthrop University has signed an additional certification with the US Department of Education agreeing to use a minimum of \$2,691,065 for new emergency student aid grants with the passage of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act plus an additional \$7,386,899 with the passage of the American Rescue Plan. In the third quarter, Winthrop disbursed the remaining \$8,136 to 17 students from CRRSAA funding and \$7,318,717 to 4,021 students from ARP funding.

Using federal guidance, Winthrop determined that 5,326 enrolled students qualified for the CRRSAA funding and 5,118 enrolled students qualified for ARP funding. This group included DACA students, international students, and students exclusively enrolled in distance education. Detailed instruction were emailed to students and posted to the Winthrop University website for students wishing to apply. The web instructions are located at <https://www.winthrop.edu/president/faculty-and-staff-february-22nd-2021.aspx>. Amount of awards varied depending on actual dollars requested, and any exceptional needs of the students based on information included in their application.

These emergency assistance grants were disbursed directly to students regardless of their account balances with the university. These funds were processed, and direct deposits/checks were distributed.

Please direct any questions about the application process to finaid@winthrop.edu .