

Eastern Maine Community College
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Report
Submitted October 8, 2021

1. On January 17, 2021 Eastern Maine Community College signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation (CRRSAA) Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

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2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institutions Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students is \$713,387.00.

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3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA Act for the reporting period of 7/1/2021-9/30/2021 is \$48,744.62.

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the ARP for the reporting period of 7/1/2021-9/30/2021 is \$453,395.10.

4. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA Act for the reporting period of 7/1/2021-9/30/2021 is 52 students.

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the ARP Act for the reporting period of 7/1/2021-9/30/2021 is 409 students.

5. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the ARP
 - a. Students fill out an online application indicating the amount they are looking to receive and what those funds would be used for.
 - b. Manager of Financial Services, in conjunction with the Director of Finance, reviews and approves, modifies or denies the request.
6. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

- c. Students have been notified of ARP funding via email and personal outreach from college counselors and other officials.
- d. Students must complete the online application articulating their Covid-19 related needs.
- e. All applications for funds are reviewed to determine need and eligibility for funding. Specifically, the students attestation is below:
 - *By submitting this request for federal emergency funds under the CRRSA Act/ARP Funds, I attest and agree that the information provided on this request is true to the best of my knowledge. I have read the eligibility criteria and certify that I meet all of the stipulations.*

Eligibility Criteria – CRRSA Act/ARP Funds

To be eligible, you must:

- Be enrolled in a degree or certificate program at the College;
- Have a high school diploma, a home school diploma, or GED;
- Be making satisfactory academic progress;
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or other eligible non-citizen;
- Have a valid Social Security Number;
- Not have a federal or state conviction for using or distributing illegal drugs while receiving federal Title IV education assistance.

Additionally, students who were enrolled exclusively in an online program (all online classes) as of March 13, 2020 are not eligible to apply for CRRSA Act/ARP funding.

Completing this request form is not a guarantee of funding; each request will be reviewed and students will be notified of the status of their request.