

Northeastern University

CARES Act Report Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF)

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For the Quarterly reporting period of April – June 2021.

Northeastern University is providing emergency grants to eligible students from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) to support our learners who have been adversely impacted by COVID-19. To promote transparency and comply with federal reporting requirements, Northeastern provides the following public information:

1. Northeastern University received HEERF funds as authorized by the CARES Act, CRRSAA, and ARP. Under each authorization, Northeastern University signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement if required. Northeastern has used or will use the applicable amount of funds designated under the CARES Act, CRRSAA, and ARP (a)(1) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
2. The total amount of funds that Northeastern University will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to its Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants is \$28,769,753 as of June 30, 2021.
3. The total amount of the HEERF Emergency Financial Aid Grants under the CARES Act, CRRSAA, and ARP distributed to students is \$12,748,693 as of June 30, 2021.
4. The estimated total number of Northeastern students eligible to receive a HEERF Emergency Financial Aid Grant is 53,786 as of June 30, 2021.
5. A total number of students who have received a HEERF Emergency Financial Aid Grant 7,469 as of June 30, 2021.
6. Northeastern determined which students would receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants based upon the CARES Grant application and verification of Title IV aid eligibility. To determine award amounts, the university instituted upper limits for some expense categories as well as an aggregate individual grant limit equivalent to the maximum Pell Grant, as recommended by the Department of Education. The university also considered financial support applicants have or will receive. Beginning in Spring 2021, Northeastern distributed \$800 block grants to currently enrolled students who demonstrated exceptional need based on the FAFSA and received Title IV Federal Aid in the 2020-2021 academic year.
7. On April 24, 2020, all students were notified via email that Northeastern would receive and distribute Emergency Financial Aid Grants under the CARES Act. Students were directed to the [FAQ page](#) for further information and a link to the 2019-2020 online application. The 2019-2020 application closed on May 28, 2020.

The university continued to review applications and distribute Emergency Financial Aid Grants after the 2019-2020 application closed. In Fall 2020 and Spring 2021, university offices referred eligible students who disclosed financial hardship due to the national emergency to submit a 2020-2021 application, with directions provided on the application.

Beginning in Spring 2021, students eligible for the \$800 block grant were notified and provided instructions by email.