

University of Rochester
American Rescue Plan (ARP)
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) III
Quarterly Report
March 31, 2022

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law on March 11, 2021 by President Biden. The Plan created a third Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (“HEERF III”) for distribution to colleges and universities, intended to help offset costs to students and institutions resulting from campus disruptions due to the Coronavirus. This report is required by Section 314(e) of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and is published here pursuant to the guidance issued by the U.S. Department of Education.

The University of Rochester signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants for Students under the Act on April 27, 2020.

The University received \$7,551,244 on May 26, 2021. This funding has been allocated among The College of Arts, Science & Engineering, Eastman School of Music, and the School of Medicine and Dentistry. Each school will distribute its funding allocation based on the unique needs of its student population. The allocations among schools and to various groups of students are described below.

As of the date of this report, 3/31/22, \$712,187 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants have been distributed to students under ARP/HEERF III during this quarter and \$7,551,244 overall.

The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students is 5,500.

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under ARP/HEERF III as of the date of this report is 1,749.

The methods used by the University of Rochester to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they receive under Section 314(a)(1) of the ARP/HEERF III are described here by school. All schools prioritized students with financial need in the awarding process. Continued or future enrollment was not a condition for the receipt of an award and students were provided the option to apply funds directly to their student account through an electronic, affirmative consent.

The College of Arts, Science, and Engineering - \$5,663,433 available, \$5,663,433 awarded (total), \$398,863 (this quarter)

The total number of students at The College of Arts, Science, and Engineering who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 314(a)(1) of the ARP/HEERF III is:

- Graduate Students: 89 (total), 44 (this quarter)
- Undergraduate Students: 1,168 (total), 66 (this quarter)

The method of allocation by the College of Arts, Science and Engineering is as follows:

In order to be eligible for ARP/HEERF III funding, students must have completed a financial aid application and demonstrated financial need. Award amounts were determined based on prioritizing financial need as a criteria.

- Funding to students experiencing a financial hardship due to COVID-19 through an application process.
 - Undergraduate:
 - High need (>\$60,000) – up to \$6,000
 - Medium need (\$30,000-\$59,999) – up to \$4,000
 - Low need (< \$30,000) – up to \$2,000
 - Graduate:
 - High need (EFC = 0) – up to \$6,000
 - Medium need (EFC \$1-\$15,000) – up to \$4,000
 - Low need (EFC > \$15,000) – up to \$2,000
- Assistance to eligible students in need via application to the Basic Needs Hub (BNH).
- Laptops provided to high-need students as a requirement for academic success.
- Assistance to eligible students remaining on campus for Winter Stay for food. This is in addition to funding levels noted above.
 - High need (>\$60,000) –\$630
 - Medium need (\$30,000-\$59,999) –\$378
 - Low need (< \$30,000) –\$189
- Assistance to eligible students for transportation expenses related to the delayed start of in-person classes for Spring 2022. This is in addition to the funding levels noted above and in addition to winter stay funding.
- Assistance to eligible students for unearned work study/campus employment as a result of the decision to move to online learning through 1/28/22. This is in addition to funding levels noted above and in addition to winter stay and transportation funding.

Eastman School of Music - \$1,283,711 available, \$1,283,711 awarded (total), \$367,649 (this quarter)

The total number of students at Eastman School of Music who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 314(a)(1) of the ARP/HEERF III is:

- Graduate Students: 145 (total) 138 (this quarter)
- Undergraduate Students: 200 (total) 189 (this quarter)

The method of allocation by the Eastman School of Music is as follows:

In order to be eligible for ARP/HEERF III funding, students must have completed a financial aid application. Award amounts were determined based on prioritizing financial need as a criteria.

- Funding to students experiencing a financial hardship due to COVID-19 through an application process.
- Assistance to eligible students in need via application to the Basic Needs Hub (BNH).

- Assistance to eligible students remaining on campus for Winter Stay for food. This is in addition to funding levels noted above.
 - High need (>\$60,000) –\$630
 - Medium need (\$30,000-\$59,999) –\$378
 - Low need (< \$30,000) –\$189

School of Medicine and Dentistry - \$604,100 available, \$604,100 awarded (total), \$126,318 (this quarter)

The total number of students at the School of Medicine and Dentistry who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 314(a)(1) of the ARP/HEERF III is:

- Grad/MD Students: 147 (total) 90 (this quarter)

The method of allocation by the School of Medicine and Dentistry is as follows:

2021-2022 Awarding Criteria:

In order to receive funding through SMD’s first round of HEERF awarding, all applicants must meet these basic criteria:

- Must be currently enrolled at least half-time
- Must complete the “COVID 19 Relief Funding Application”
- Must have been impacted financially by COVID 19 per the application.
- Must have successfully submitted a financial aid application. Acceptable Financial Aid applications include:
 - 2021-2022 CSS Profile
 - 2021-2022 FAFSA
- Must have demonstrated financial need as outlined in the charts below

MD Students (non-Research Fellows):

- MD students in the regular curriculum (non-Research Fellows)
- Must have already completed the 2021-2022 CSS Profile
- Must have already accepted some amount of self-help aid/Loan (can be federal, institutional, or private loan).

Awards* determined as follows:

Need Levels	CSS Profile EFC	HEERF Award
High Need	\$0 - \$21,500	\$6,000
Medium High Need	\$21,501 - \$43,000	\$4,500
Medium Low Need	\$43,001 - \$64,500	\$3,500
Low Need	\$64,501 and up	\$2,500

MD Students in a Research Fellowship:

- MD students participating in a University approved Research Fellowship
- Have a current/enrolled student status (i.e. – cannot be completing research while on a LOA from the University)
- Must have already accepted some amount of self-help aid/Loan (can be federal, institutional, or private loan), including federal works study.
- Must have already completed the FAFSA for 2021-2022

Awards* determined as follows:

FAFSA EFC	HEERF Award
\$0	\$4,500
\$1 - \$10,000	\$3,500
\$10,001 and up	\$2,500

MD Students (Loans Only):

- MD students in the regular curriculum (non-Research Fellows)
- Must have already completed the FAFSA for 2021-2022
- Must have already accepted some amount of self-help aid/Loan (can be federal, institutional, or private loan).

Awards* determined as follows:

FAFSA EFC	HEERF Award
\$0	\$4,500
\$1 - \$10,000	\$3,500
\$10,001 – and up	\$2,500

Students in a Master’s Program:

- For students completing a Master’s Program at SMD (including EIOH)
- Must have already completed the FAFSA for 2021-2022
- Must have already accepted some amount of self-help aid/Loan (can be federal, institutional, or private loan).

Awards* determined as follows:

FAFSA EFC	HEERF Award
\$0	\$4,500
\$1 - \$10,000	\$3,500
\$10,001 and up	\$2,500

Applications for COVID-19 Quarantine Costs:

- For all eligible students (see general eligibility above)
- Must have already accepted some amount of self-help aid/Loan (can be federal, institutional, or private loan), including federal works study.
- Can receive HEERF funding for quarantine costs regardless of receiving previous HEERF funding.

Awards* determined as follows:

For MD Students:

Need Level	HEERF Award
Receives Need-Based Institutional Aid	\$1,418
Receives only unsubsidized loan funds/FWS	\$1,006

For Students in a Master's Program:

FAFSA EFC	HEERF Award
\$0	\$1,418
\$1 and up	\$1,006

Student categories that are NOT eligible at SMD:

- Students in PhD programs
- Students in the MD/PhD program
- SMD students completing a Master's Program on River Campus/another institution
- Students in an Advanced Certificate program
- Students completing a Preceptorship program

** Award grids updated on 03/16/22 to reflect new award amounts. Recipients received updated/increased awards based on eligibility at the time the initial award was determined/disbursed.*