

# Dongguk University Los Angeles

CARES Act Report

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF)

As of March 31, 2022

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund, part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act provides funding to address higher education challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

DULA signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement on July 28, 2020.

DULA has used or will use no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. Of the funding we received, 50% was directed to emergency financial aid grants for student cost of attendance, food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and childcare. The other 50% will be directed to the institution to defray operational expenses related to the impact of COVID-19. The funds cannot be used for endowments, athletic or religious facilities, or enrollment recruitment contractors.

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) under Section 314(a)(1) of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Pub. L. 116-260 is part of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021, recently passed by Congress and funding is allocated by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act (CRRSAA).

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) under section 2003 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) (Pub. L. 117-2) is part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, passed by Congress and funding is allocated by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP).

### < Student Portion >

<1<sup>ST</sup> Award - # P425E205530>

The total amount of funds that DULA received from the Department for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students is \$ 30,229.00.

On August 18, 2020, and September 10, 2020, all students, who were enrolled 2019-2020 Summer Quarter, were notified via email that DULA would receive and distribute Emergency Financial Aid Grants under the CARES Act. Students were also provided with the contact information for further information and the attached application. Upon submission of the application, students were notified that they would receive communication with their email address registered in the Student Portal System ("Populi") account in a few days.

To determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act DULA used the following principles in our approach:

1. Eligible for the fund would be the students who meet the following three requirements.
  - a. The students who are eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA),
  - b. The students who are enrolled in the regular didactic or clinic classes in DULA during the 2020 Summer Quarter, and
  - c. The students who submit the Application for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students
2. The distribution methodology would be based on the number of units that the fund eligible students enrolled during the 2020 Summer Quarter.
3. To determine award amounts, the university instituted upper limits for some expense categories as well as an aggregate individual grant limit of \$6,195 as recommended by the Department of Education. Emergency Grants are awarded until funds are exhausted.

The total number of DULA students who meet the three requirements above-mentioned and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 23.

The total amount of the Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is \$ 30,229 as of December 31, 2020.

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 23 as of December 31, 2020.

<2<sup>ND</sup> Award - # P425E205530 - 20A>

The total amount of funds that DULA received from the Department for Emergency Financial Aid Grants as the 2<sup>ND</sup> award to students is \$ 30,229.00.

On March 18, 2021, and March 24, 2021, all students, who were enrolled 2020-2021 Winter Quarter, were notified via email that DULA had received and would distribute the 2<sup>nd</sup> Emergency Financial Aid Grants under the CRRSAA. Students were also provided with the contact information for further information and the attached application. Upon submission of the application, students were notified that they would receive communication with their email address registered in the Student Portal System (“Populi”) account in a few days.

To determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the CRRSAA DULA used the following principles in our approach:

1. Eligible for the fund would be the students who meet the following three requirements.
  - a. The students who are eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA),
  - b. The students who are enrolled in the regular didactic or clinic classes in DULA during the 2020-21 Winter Quarter, and
  - c. The students who submit the Application for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students
2. The distribution methodology would be based on the number of units that the fund eligible students enrolled during the 2020-21 Winter Quarter.
3. To determine award amounts, the university instituted upper limits for some expense categories as well as an aggregate individual grant limit of \$6,195 as recommended by the Department of Education. Emergency Grants are awarded until funds are exhausted.

The total number of DULA students who meet the three requirements above-mentioned and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants under the CRRSAA is 25.

The total amount of the Emergency Financial Aid Grants will be distributed to students under the CRRSAA is \$ 30,229 as of March 31, 2021.

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant the CRRSAA is 25 as of June 30, 2021.

<3<sup>rd</sup> Award - # P425E205530 - 20B> - Report A

The total amount of funds that DULA received from the Department for Emergency Financial Aid Grants as the 3<sup>rd</sup> award to students is \$ 73,130.00.

On June 23, 2021, and June 25, 2021, all students, who were enrolled 2020-2021 Spring Quarter, were notified via email that DULA had received and would distribute the 3<sup>rd</sup> Emergency Financial Aid Grants under the ARP. Students were also provided with the contact information for further information and the attached application. Upon submission of the application, students were notified that they would receive communication with their email address registered in the Student Portal System (“Populi”) account in a few days.

To determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the ARP, DULA used the following principles in our approach:

1. Eligible for the fund would be the students who meet the following three requirements.
  - a. The students who are eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA),
  - b. The students who are enrolled in the regular didactic or clinic classes in DULA during the 2020-21 Winter Quarter, and
  - c. The students who submit the Application for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students
2. The distribution methodology would be based on the number of units that the fund eligible students enrolled during the 2020-21 Winter Quarter.
3. To determine award amounts, the university instituted upper limits for some expense categories as well as an aggregate individual grant limit of \$6,195 as recommended by the Department of Education. Emergency Grants are awarded until funds are exhausted.

The total number of DULA students who meet the three requirements above-mentioned and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants under the ARP the is 29.

The total amount of the Emergency Financial Aid Grants will be distributed to students under the ARP is \$ 73,130 as of June 30, 2021.

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under the ARP is 0 as of June 30, 2021.

<3<sup>rd</sup> Award - # P425E205530 - 20B> - Report B - Final

The total amount of funds that DULA received from the Department for Emergency Financial Aid Grants as the 3<sup>rd</sup> award to students is \$ 73,130.00.

Regarding ARP Emergency Financial Aid Grant (HEERF III), DULA distributed an updated notice for which DULA emailed the students on June 23 & 25, 2021. In the updated notice, DULA explains the fund's purpose and who would be eligible in detail. In addition, the updated requirements to receive the grant were delivered as below.

*Based on the funding instructions, the HEERF III will be granted to the students who meet the following two requirements instead of the three requirements which were noticed previously. If the students were enrolled in the 2020-21 Spring Quarter and were qualified and received the HEERF I or II fund in 2020-21, they don't have to submit the application again.*

1. *The students who are enrolled in the regular didactic or clinic classes in DULA during the 2020-21 Spring Quarter. DULA will distribute the fund to only DULA students who are enrolled in the regular didactic or clinic classes of the 2020-21 Spring Quarter, and audit classes will not be considered as regular classes.*

2. *The students who submit the Application for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. DULA will distribute the Fund to only DULA students who submit the attached "Application for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Student" by 5 p.m., Thursday, July 22, 2021. Please note that incomplete applications or applications without a signature will be considered invalid.*

the ARP fund was awarded to only the students who meet the two aforementioned requirements and the award amount was calculated in block grants based on student's EFC and their enrollment status in the 2020-21 Spring Quarter.

The total amount of the Emergency Financial Aid Grants has been distributed to students under the ARP is \$ 73,130 as of September 30, 2021.

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under the ARP is 40 as of September 30, 2021.

#### **< Institution Portion >**

CARES Act institutional funding in the amount of \$30,229.00 was received and recorded as revenue in FY20. The 2<sup>nd</sup> HEERF of institutional funding in the amount of \$49,779.00 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> HEERF of institutional funding in the amount of \$73,129.00 were received and recorded as revenue in FY21.

Pursuant to H.R. 748 (CARES Act), section 18004(c), DULA may use HEERF Institutional Portion monies to cover costs incurred associated with significant changes to the delivery of instruction due to the coronavirus. Costs must be incurred on or after March 13, 2020, to be eligible. Examples of allowable uses permitted under the broad institutional authority granted by the CARES Act include lost revenue, reimbursement for expenses already incurred, technology costs associated with a transition to virtual instruction, faculty and staff trainings, payroll costs, and emergency financial aid grants to students for their expenses.

Please refer to the CARES Act – Quarterly Budget and Expenditure Reporting on the university website at <https://www.dula.edu/heerf-reports/> for the most update the budget and expenditure.