

Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) Grant

What is a HEERF III Grant?

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, gave the U.S. Department of Education funds to distribute to institutions of higher education through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III).

The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III) \$22,867,065. We will issue part in Summer 2021 to 2,199 students in the amount of \$659,700 and distribute the other funding at a later date.

Who qualifies to receive a HEERF III Grant?

Louisiana Community & Technical Colleges have chosen the following eligibility guidelines in determining recipients:

- Students with active enrollment for Summer 2021 as of June 16, 2021
- Students who filed a FAFSA and who were considered eligible for the Federal Pell Grant based on the estimated family contribution,
- Students who are considered an eligible citizen or non-citizen verified through FAFSA completion, and
- Students who are considered degree-seeking.

The following students are excluded from receiving a HEERF Grant:

- Prisoners
- High School/Dual Enrolled
- Adult Basic Education Students
- Non-credit, Non-degree seeking
- Visiting and non-matriculating students
- Cross-enrolled students whose "home institution" is a non-LCTCS College.

When will I receive HEERF III Funds?

Funds were awarded the week of June 14, 2021 and refunds delivered to students via Bank Mobile on June 17, 2021.

How much will I receive?

Eligible Delgado students received \$300.00.

How can I use the funds?

Students awarded a HEERF III Grant may use this award to pay for school or any component of the cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to COVID-19, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or childcare. It is important to note that this emergency financial aid grant does not have to be repaid. Students may also use the funds towards any unpaid balance at the college.