



Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

December 2020 Report

1. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement for Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding and the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than the required minimum amounts in the CARES act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill received \$8,647,589 from HEERF I, also known as the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) pursuant to our Certification and Agreement for HEERF Emergency Financial Aid Grants to our students.
3. As of December 31, 2020, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has disbursed \$8,647,589 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants to the students. During the quarter from October 1 – December 31, 2020, \$67,338 was disbursed.
4. The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act, is 24,302.
5. The total number of students at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill who have received a HEERF I (CARES) Emergency Financial Aid Grant as of December 31, 2020 is 3,807. During the quarter from October 1 – December 31, 2020, the total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant is 35.
6. In spring and summer 2020, HEERF funding was awarded to students who applied for emergency funds for any additional needs caused by the pandemic including relocation home, return from study abroad, medical and food needs, temporary housing, transportation and more.

The University used CARES Act funding to meet a portion of the additional student financial need that the pandemic has created. Using the funds in this way will help students persist in their studies and graduate on time; it will also help the University meet the greater demonstrated need of the student body as a whole.

To ensure that students received their CARES Act funds by the start of the fall 2020 semester, the Office of Scholarships and Student Aid awarded funds, without an additional application, to every undergraduate

student who qualified for Pell, Covenant Scholarship or University grants of at least \$1,000, with each such student receiving an increase in total grant funding of at least \$1,000 for the academic year. Through individual appeals, the office also awarded CARES Act funds to graduate and professional students, as well as other undergraduate students who demonstrated extraordinary need.

7. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill notified all students by email and the website regarding information about the HEERF funding.