



## Financial Aid Office

### Minot State University CRRSAA: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) Distribution Report

Minot State University (MSU) received notice of a supplemental award on January 17, 2021. The MSU CRRSAA HEERF II Distribution Report was first published July 8, 2021. Last updated: July 8, 2021.

1. MSU accepted the Certification and Supplemental Agreement from the Department of Education for the award increase dated January 17, 2021. MSU intends to use the additional \$637,891 designated under Section 314 (a)(1) of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. MSU received \$637,891 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to student under the CRRSAA.
3. As of March 31, 2021, MSU has distributed \$629,320 in Emergency Grants to students under the CRRSAA.
4. MSU has determined that at least 1065 students at the institution are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 314 (a)(1) of the CRRSAA.
5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under Section 314(a)(1) of the CRRSAA is 988 as of March 31, 2021.
6. To determine which students were eligible, MSU identified students who completed the 2020-21 FAFSA resulting in an EFC of 22000 or less, were enrolled in a degree program, and who were enrolled at least half-time in spring 2021. Those 1065 students received an email (see below) alerting them of their eligibility for the CRRSAA (HEERF II) grants with a link to the online form that we asked them to submit. A funding grid based on FAFSA EFC was established to disburse CRRSAA Grants to students who submitted the form. Students with a 2020-21 FAFSA EFC of 0-6300 received \$840 if full-time or \$440 if half to three-quarter time, EFC of 6301-10500 received \$640 if full-time or \$340 if half to three-quarter time, EFC of 10501 to 22000 received \$440 if full time or \$240 if half to three-quarter time.
7. Eligible students were emailed and directed to fill out a simple online form to confirm their request for the CRRSAA HEERF II Grant on March 23, 2021. A follow-up email was sent to non-responders on March 24, 25 and 29, 2021. MSU also posted a notice at [www.minotstateu.edu/finaid/pages/CRRSAA\\_HEERFII.shtml](http://www.minotstateu.edu/finaid/pages/CRRSAA_HEERFII.shtml) about the availability of the CRRSAA funding and a link to the application. Students who responded were issued a payment through the MSU Business office.

#### Email sent to eligible MSU Students:

**Hello from the MSU Financial Aid Office!**

*Federal grant funding is available to assist students during the Coronavirus pandemic.*

Minot State University has received funding through the **Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II)** authorized by the **Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA)** to provide one-time grants to students for emergency relief. (In 2020, similar funding was known as the CARES Act).

#### To be eligible you must:

- Complete the quick [Federal CRRSAA HEERF II Grant Application](#) – **deadline to complete is March 29**

#### You were determined to be eligible for an MSU Federal CRRSAA HEERF II Grant for spring 2021 based on these criteria:

- Be a US Citizen or Eligible Noncitizen (Permanent Resident)
- Have completed the 2020-21 FAFSA and have a EFC of 22000 or less
- Be enrolled in a degree program at least half-time

#### Federal CRRSAA HEERF II Grant availability:

- Amounts will range from approximately **\$200 to \$800** depending on FAFSA results
- Recipients will be able to view their grant funds in Campus Connection under the Financial Aid tile for 2020-21
- You may choose to have the grant applied to outstanding charges on your student account or enroll in **Direct Deposit** to receive excess aid, [Direct Deposit Instructions](#)
- **Grants will be disbursed beginning on March 31.** Grants issued by check will be mailed beginning on March 31. Grants issued by Direct Deposit may take up to three business days after March 31 to appear in your account.

We hope this assistance will allow you to continue your academic pursuits, enroll in summer or fall semester classes and help with any financial needs you might have.

For more information, please visit: [Federal CRRSAA HEERF II Grant website](#)

Contact the Financial Aid Office if you have any questions at 701-858-3375 or [financialaid@minotstateu.edu](mailto:financialaid@minotstateu.edu).

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