

The Federal Emergency Grants for Fall 2021

Davis & Elkins College (D&E) was signed & returned a Certification & Agreement with the Department of Education to accept allocated funds from the American Rescue Plan (ARP), Public Law 117-2. The ARP established and funded the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) to provide emergency financial aid grants. These critical funds help eligible D&E students cover expenses related to unanticipated travel, additional technology requirements, or other needs related to an emergency situation.

Federal Emergency Aid Grant Reporting:

As of December 31, 2021, D&E received \$2,313,770 for students to fund the Federal Emergency Financial Aid Grants. The estimated total number of students potentially eligible to be considered to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants in quarter 4 was 635. As of December 31, 2021 \$0 in HEERF funds has been disbursed to 0 unduplicated students. D&E will distribute the remaining \$246,948 from HEERF III, in January 2022.

Information on the <https://www.dewv.edu/consumer-information/>

Federal Emergency Aid Grant Criteria and Eligibility:

D&E made federal HEERF III funds available all eligible students. Grants were awarded based on PELL eligibility and vaccine status.

Prior to HEERF III international and DACA students were not eligible. Prior to HEERF III D&E distributed funds based on PELL eligibility. Students could also apply for additional funding based on their circumstances. Additional award amounts were based on emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and childcare. Students must provide documentation of the amounts of these expenses to be considered for the additional funding. This request can include expenses incurred back to March of 2020 if not already reimbursed in a previous award.