

ARP, HEERF III-South Georgia Technical College-1st Student Distribution

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) is authorized by the American Rescue Plan (ARP), Public Law 117-2 signed into law on March 11, 2021. This fund provided support to institutions of higher education to serve students and ensure learning continues during the COVID-19 pandemic. ARP funds are in addition to the funds authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260 and the Corona Virus Aid, Recovery, and Economic Security (Cares) Act, Public Law 116-136. Students are eligible for the HEERF III funding if they meet the specific criteria according to the guidance released from the U.S. Department of Education. For the full ARP legislation, please visit: <https://www.congress.gov/117/plaws/publ2/PLAW-117publ2.pdf>

The U.S. Department of Education has allocated \$3,511,499.00 of HEERF III funds to South Georgia Technical College under the American Rescue Plan to be distributed to eligible students.

Students must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Students must be enrolled in Summer 2021, and/or Fall 2021, and/or Spring 2022, and/or possibly Summer 2022 for a minimum of one (1) credit hour in a program that leads to a certificate, diploma, or degree.

Exclusions:

- Dual Enrolled
- Foreign Students
- Transient Students

Proposed Process for Awarding and Disbursing Emergency Funds to Students:

Based on the eligibility requirements above, SGTC initially identified 900 students for Summer Semester 2021 to receive HEERF III funds. SGTC disbursed funds to students based on financial need (EFC) and enrollment status (part-time or full time). Funds were awarded by the Financial Aid Department and disbursed to student accounts. Each student account showed a credit balance. HEERF III funds can be used to cover tuition and fees balances, if the student gives prior authorization. The Business Office disbursed any credit balance to BankMobile for release to the student.

Distribution Model for Summer Semester 2021

Student Status	EFC	Student Count	Student Award	Total Awards
Part Time (1-11 Credit Hours)	0	392	950.00	372,400.00
	1-5711	119	475.00	56,525.00
	5712 EFC or Greater	75	237.50	17,812.50
	No Known EFC	99	118.75	11,756.25
			685	
Full Time (12 Credit Hours or More)	0	146	1,200.00	175,200.00
	1-5711	34	600.00	20,400.00
	5712 EFC or Greater	16	300.00	4,800.00
	No Known EFC	19	150.00	2,850.00
			215	
		900		661,743.75
Student Awards Funded from Institutional Cares Funds				7,902.75