

CRRSAA Funding-South Georgia Technical College-1st Student Distribution

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) is authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260, signed into law on December 27, 2020. This fund awarded new assistance to institutions regarding the use of COVID-19 relief funds through the duration of the pandemic. Students are eligible for the CARES Act funding if they meet the specific criteria according to the guidance released from the U.S. Department of Education. For the full CRRSA Act legislation, please visit:

<https://www.congress.gov/116/plaws/publ260/PLAW-116publ260.pdf>

For a summary of eligibility guidance from the U. S. Department of Education, please visit:

<https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/crrsaa.html>

South Georgia Technical College (SGTC) has been awarded an additional \$935,054 to be distributed to support students who have exceptional need due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

This second round of HEER II (Cares II) funds differs from the first grant program that was awarded in April of 2020. This new round of funding requires emphasis on students with exceptional need; therefore, eligibility requirements have changed. Students who are non-Title IV eligible may now be eligible for funds. Additionally, students who received the first round of CARES funds, may not necessarily receive the same level of funds this time, due to a new allocation formula.

Students must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Students must be enrolled in Spring 2021, Summer 2021, and/or Fall 2021 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

Process for Awarding and Disbursing Emergency Funds to Students:

Based on the eligibility requirements above, SGTC initially identified 1219 students for Spring Semester 2021 to receive Emergency Grant 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 II Act 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 Spring Semester 2021

Student Status	EFC	Student Count	Student Award	Total Awards
Part Time (1-11 Credit Hours)	0	333	950.00	316,350.00
	1-5711	89	475.00	42,275.00
	5712 or Greater	53	237.50	12,587.50
	No Known EFC	85	118.75	10,093.75
		560		381,306.25
Full Time (12 Credit Hours or More)	0	356	1,250.00	445,000.00
	1-5711	125	625.00	78,125.00
	5712 or Greater	81	312.50	25,312.50
	No Known EFC	97	156.25	15,156.25
		659		563,593.75
		1,219		944,900.00
Student Awards Funded from Institutional Cares Funds				9,846.00