

CRRSA HEERF GRANTS TO STUDENTS
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is CRRSA HEERF and where did the funding for financial aid grants come from?

Congress passed the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260) on December 27, 2020. The bill includes funding for HEERF II grants to students.

Who is eligible for HEERF grants?

Students enrolled in certificate or degree programs as of March 8, 2021 (USV's 2021 Spring census date) may be eligible to receive grant funding. This includes undergraduate and graduate students. Priority will be given to students with the most financial need as determined by the 2020/2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®). Eligibility will be based on the 2020/2021 FAFSA results and the student's Spring 2021 enrollment status. International and undocumented students are not eligible for HEERF II funding.

Does it matter how many credits students are taking in Spring 2021?

Yes. HEERF grant award amounts for students who are attending less than full-time will be lower than the amount for students attending fulltime.

Enrollment status is classified as:

- x Full-Time: Undergraduates 12 or more credits / Graduate 6 or more credits
- x 3/4 Time: Undergraduates 9 to 11 credits / Graduates 4 to 5 credits
- x Half-Time: Undergraduates 6 to 8 credits / Graduate determined through the FAFSA formula will receive the largest need

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The chart below outlines the amounts for how the funds will be distributed to all eligible students:

Student Group	Enrollment Status				Total Students by Group
	Full-Time	3/4 Time	Half-Time	Less Than Half-Time	
Pell Eligible (FAFSA®)	\$1,245.00	\$1,094.00	\$942.00	\$748.00	206
Not Pell Eligible (FAFSA®)	\$934.00	\$820.00	\$707.00	\$561.00	63
No FAFSA®	\$623.00	\$547.00	\$470.00	\$374.00	186

How do eligible students apply for HEERF grant funds?

USV created a simple online form to be completed by students who are eligible to apply for HEERF grant funding. The link to the online form will be sent to eligible students via their university email address to be completed and submitted.

When will students know if their request for HEERF grant funds has been approved?

USV will begin the review and approval process the week of April 12th. We anticipate the review and approval of