Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Report

Southwestern Law School Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Report – CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE AND RELIEF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021 (CRRSAA)

Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

Funding Report – Distribution Quarter ending December 31, 2021

Under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSA), **Southwestern Law School – OPEID 00129500** received education stabilization funds designated exclusively for emergency financial aid grants to students.

Pursuant to guidance issued by the Department of Education published on May 13, 2021. We are providing the following information about the funds we have received, and how, and to whom, we have distributed them.

- In April 2021, Southwestern Law School applied for additional funding from the Supplemental Assistance to Institutions of Higher Education (SAIHE) Program. In May 2021, Southwestern Law School received funding for students from the American Rescue Plan (HEERF III) Section 2003 (84.425E). In August 2021, Southwestern Law School received the additional funding under Section 314 (84.425S) of the SAIHE with the stipulation that these funds were to be awarded as emergency financial aid grants to students.
- 2. The total amount of funds that the institution has received from the Department pursuant to Section 2003 of the ARP (84.425E) and Section 314 of the CRRSAA (84.425S) specifically for emergency financial aid grants to students was \$249,803 and \$375,604, respectively.
- 3. The total amount of emergency financial aid grants distributed to students under Section 2003 of the ARP (84.425E) and Section 314 of the CRRSAA (84.425S) was \$625,407.
- 4. The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and thus potentially qualified to receive emergency financial aid grants under both sections of 2003 of the ARP (84.425E) and Section 314 CRRSAA (84.425S) was 934 students.

- The total number of students who received an emergency financial aid grant under either Section 2003 of the ARP (84.425E) and Section 314 (84.425S) of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act was 365 students.
- The methods we used to determine which students receive emergency financial aid grants and how much they would receive under both Sections 2003 of the ARP (84.425E) and Section 314 (84.425S) of the CRRSAA are included below under "Student Emergency Funding Allocation".
- 7. The COVID Grant Form we provided to students concerning the emergency financial aid grant appear below under "Student Notices".

Student Emergency Funding Allocation

All students in a school status of Active and enrolled, who have a need for additional financial support for their expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the Coronavirus, have been sent a Southwestern Law School COVID Grant Form to complete electronically.

The form provides information about the emergency financial grant, including eligibility requirements. Students are requested to check applicable areas in which they need additional financial support for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the Coronavirus (including education expenses, course materials, technology, food, housing, healthcare and childcare). The form requires the students to select expenses they have incurred.

Once the completed form has been received, students are awarded based on their expected family contribution. We will continue this process until all funds have been fully disbursed.

In addition to providing funds to all students in a school status of Active and enrolled, we have begun to analyze responses provided by student on their Southwestern Law School COVID Grant Form. Where students indicate that they have extenuating circumstances and need for financial support for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the Coronavirus (including education expenses, course materials, technology, food, housing, healthcare and childcare), we will award additional funds if available. The amount awarded will be based on each student's scenario.

We have posted information on this emergency financial aid grant to our website and sent multiple communications to our students to notify them of the availability of these emergency financial aid funds. We began sending the Southwestern Law School COVID Grant Form to students on September 29th 2021.

Students Notices

Southwestern CRRSAA Fund

The U.S. Department of Education has made available the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) III through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and the Supplemental Assistance to Institutions of Higher Education (SAIHE) to Southwestern enrolled students. The CRRSAA requires that institutions prioritize students with exceptional need. Accordingly, Southwestern will distribute these funds to eligible students who demonstrate a need for additional financial support for their expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the Coronavirus. One important change the federal government has made in these awards is that all students are eligible for this grant. You do not have to have an accepted FAFSA on file to apply.

Our CRRSAA committee will use the information you provide to determine your eligibility for the award. Please note we have limited funds and therefore, in order to be considered for a possible award, your completed application must be received by no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 8, 2021.

Southwestern Law School believes we are stronger together and if you are having a difficult time due to any of the following issues, we would like to hear from you.

- Education expenses / Technology
- Food / Housing / Utilities
- Healthcare / Childcare
- Medical Expenses
 - Other

First Name *

Your answer

Last Name *

Your answer

Student ID Number *

Your answer

Email *

Your answer

Daytime Phone Number *

Your answer

I am requesting CARES ACT funds to cover the following expenses associate with significant changes to the delivery of instruction due to COVID-19. Fund will not automatically be applied toward any costs at SWLAW. Check all exper you have incurred: *	s
Education expenses / Technology Food / Housing / Utilities	
Healthcare / Childcare	
Medical Expenses	
Other:	
A copy of your responses will be emailed to the address you provided.	
Submit	ar form