

Student Share Report as of 6/30/2021

Distribution

St. Cloud State University has distributed the full \$3,910,882 of CRRSAA funding as of June 30, 2021 and will distribute \$12,075,394 of ARP funding in direct Emergency Financial Aid grants to students.

Eligibility

Both CRRSAA and ARP require that institutions prioritize students with exceptional need, such as students who receive Pell Grants or undergraduates with extraordinary financial circumstances, in awarding emergency financial aid grants to students. While all students enrolled after March 13, 2020 are eligible, priority will be given to students based on current guidance from the U.S. Department of Education who have emergency financial needs related to the pandemic.

During spring semester 2021, St. Cloud State University enrolled approximately 8,911 students who were eventually determined to be eligible for CRRSAA funding. Out of this potential pool, St. Cloud State University has awarded CRRSAA Emergency Financial Aid Grants totaling \$3,910,882 to 4,518 students.

Process

St. Cloud State University made CRRSAA Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students through two methods. The initial distribution was made to all Title IV aid eligible students with an expected family contribution (EFC) below 20,000. Grants ranged from \$500 to \$1550. Award amounts above the \$500 base amount were determined by considering criteria that would indicate a greater risk of financial distress such as EFC, Federal Pell Grant eligibility and 1st generation students.

A portion of the funding was retained for distribution through an emergency grant program. Eligible students who had additional expenses including items like food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care are able to complete a brief application. These emergency funds can be applied directly to institutional charges on a student's account or disbursed directly to the student based on the student's preference. Awards will be made based on the order applications are received until the last available funds are awarded.

ARP funds are being distributed through the emergency grant application beginning in July, 2021.

Are Emergency Grants available to help with expenses related to COVID-19?

The Emergency Grant Application is temporarily closed while SCSU finalizes a plan to distribute American Rescue Plan (ARP) later this semester. If you have a financial emergency requiring immediate attention, please contact the Financial Aid Office in person (Administrative Services Room 106), by phone 308-2047, or by email at financialaid@stcloudstate.edu.