

American Rescue Plan (ARP) Spring 2023

Overview

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) is authorized by the federal American Rescue Plan (ARP), signed into law on March 11, 2021, providing support to institutions of higher education to serve students and ensure learning continues during the COVID-19 pandemic. The full published report of the ARP may be found on the [FederalRegister.gov](https://www.federalregister.gov) website or by clicking [here](#). Please note the following information applies exclusively to ARP (HEERF III) student funding. For information regarding the CARES Act (HEERF I) or CRRSAA (HEERF II), please use the following links:

[CARES Act](#)

[CRRSAA](#)

ARP General Eligibility

- Must be a currently enrolled student at the Pomeroy College of Nursing at Crouse Hospital.

Eligible Students

- The student must be enrolled for the Spring 2023 semester/term as of March 3, 2023.
- The student has been adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and has an emergency financial need for an allowable expense.
- The student must complete the HEERF III (ARP) Emergency Grant Application via MOODLE in order to demonstrate need for emergency assistance by March 10, 2023.

Qualifying Expenses

Grants awarded are intended to reduce hardship during the COVID-19 pandemic. Examples of Covid-19 related expenses eligible for grant usage include, but are not limited to:

- Cost of attendance expenses (not including billable tuition and/or fees)
- Childcare expenses
- Technology related expenses
- Medical/health-related expenses due to COVID-19 (including mental health care)
- Food
- Housing (rent/utilities)

Non-Qualifying Expenses

Per federal guidance, emergency grants to students cannot be applied by the institution towards outstanding balances and must be disbursed directly to the student.

Award Determination

Per federal guidance, Pomeroy College of Nursing opted to provide funding from the institutional portion the College's ARP grant to eligible students who demonstrated financial need. The non-tiered funding was issued in the following amounts:

- 73 students received payments for \$169.97
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Institutional Eligibility and Compliance and Disbursement of Funding

- The College established eligibility for CARES Act/HEERF I/II/III funding by submitting a signed Certification and Agreement to the Department on April 24, 2020.
- The \$24,306.41 paid in the Spring 2023 ARP disbursement came from the College's remaining institutional funding, which was drawn down from the federal G5 portal on March 9, 2023.
- Payment was issued to all 143 students on March 16, 2023 in the form of paper checks.

Notification and Guidance

Students received an email outlining the details of the ARP/HEERF III per the most recent guidance issued by the [Department of Education](#). Students were directed to the Financial Affairs Officer for further guidance as needed.

Tax Information

The College will continue to monitor appropriate regulatory channels for updates regarding the ARP and how it may affect tax filing and/or future financial aid applications.