## Drury University CRRSAA HEERF II Student Grant Policy and Procedure FINAL VERSION – ALL FUNDS EXPENDED

**Purpose:** The <u>Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA)</u> was signed into law on December 27, 2020. It authorizes funds to the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II), providing emergency funds to students for expenses related to coronavirus. Drury University has received a total of \$1,235,101 for the student portion of CRRSAA/HEERF II.

**Policy:** Drury University has signed and returned to the US Department of Education the required Certification and Agreement, and will use no less than 50% of the funds received under Section 314(a)(1) of CRRSAA to provide grants directly to students. These funds will be issued directly to students, unencumbered by balances otherwise owed to the institution. Students who wish to apply HEERF II funding to their balance may elect to do so by submitting a request to the Financial Aid Office. Funding will be issued according to Drury's standard refund process.

Student Eligibility: To be eligible for HEERF funds, students must meet <u>eligibility requirements</u> established by the United States Department of Education and by Drury University. This includes, but is not limited to, the following requirements:

- 1. Enrolled for the Spring 2021 semester, and
- 2. Was not enrolled in strictly B Block coursework. As funding was issued in February, students enrolled in strictly B Block coursework were not included as eligible because their enrollment would not begin until late March.

**Procedure:** Drury has created a standardized system by which students are determined to be eligible for HEERF II funding. The full student allocation was awarded at once, so all funds were drawn down at one time. All eligible students received an award.

Awards were made according to the following criteria:

		Full Time			Part Time			TOTAL			
	Base		Eligible		Total	Eligible		Total	Eligible		Total
EFC	Award		Students	Awards		Students	Awards		Students	Awards	
\$0-5,711	\$	1,000	806	\$	806,000	207	\$	103,500	1013	\$	909,500
\$5,712-12,000	\$	900	204	\$	183,600	46	\$	20,700	250	\$	204,300
\$12,001-20,000	\$	770	148	\$	113,960	21	\$	8,085	169	\$	122,045
			1158	\$	1,103,560	274	\$	132,285	1432	\$ 1	1,235,845

As required by CRRSAA, Drury University prioritized students with exceptional need by providing the largest base awards to students with the lowest EFCs. Full time students received the full amount of the base award in each category, and part time students received 50% of the base award in each category.

Total expenditures under HEERF II exceeded the student portion allocation by \$744. The additional funding provided to students under HEERF II is allocated to the following sources:

- \$500 unclaimed funds rolled forward from HEERF I/CARES Act Student Portion funds
- \$244 HEERF II institutional allocation