

FLORIDA NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

**Disclosure regarding Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund
Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students**

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The *Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021* (“CRRSAA”), Pub. L. No. 116-260 (December 27, 2020) and the *American Rescue Plan Act of 2021* (“ARP”), Pub. L. No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021), provided relief to institutions and students for costs associated with the coronavirus emergency. The coronavirus emergency is defined in Proclamation 9994 of March 13, 2020, “Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak,” Federal Register Vol. 85, No. 53 at 15337-38.

Under both CRRSAA and ARP, the U.S. Department of Education (“ED”) has allocated funds to Florida National University (OPEID 025476) to be used to “provide financial aid grants to students (including students exclusively enrolled in distance education), which may be used for any component of the student’s cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or child care” (“Emergency Grants”). See CRRSAA § 314(c)(3); ARP § 2003.

In accordance with the Department’s May 13, 2021, Federal Register Notice, the University provides the following information.

1. The University acknowledges that it signed and returned to the Department the applicable Certification and Agreement and assures that it has used, or intends to use, all funds allocated under CRRSAA and ARP to provide Emergency Grants to students.
2. Florida National University’s Allocation:
 1. Total CRRSAA allocation: \$4,055,230, which will be used only for student Emergency Grants.
 2. Total ARP allocation: \$2,451,026, which will be used only for student Emergency Grants.
3. At this time, the University has not commenced the distribution of funds allocated under CRRSAA or ARP to students. Grant funds will be distributed to eligible students upon the finalization of distribution procedures.
4. The estimated total number of students at the University eligible to receive Emergency Grants under Section 314(a)(4) of the CRRSAA is 3,653. All FNU students are eligible to receive emergency grants under CRRSAA and ARP, including U.S. citizens, permanent residents, refugees, asylum seekers, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival (DACA) recipients and similar undocumented students, and international students.
5. At this time, the University has not commenced the distribution of Emergency Grants using CRRSAA or ARP funds. Emergency Grants will be distributed to eligible students upon the finalization of distribution procedures.
6. The University intends to distribute Emergency Grants to eligible students (see #4 above) who are enrolled as a regular student in a degree or certificate program at the time grant awards are calculated. In accordance with guidance issued by ED, FNU intends to prioritize students with

exceptional need, and domestic undergraduate students in particular, by awarding grants in tiered amounts with the largest grant amounts being provided to domestic undergraduate students demonstrating greater need as reflected on their FAFSA. Emergency Grants will (1) be paid directly to students or (2) with the student's affirmative consent, used to satisfy students' unpaid tuition/fee balances assessed on or after March 13, 2020. Grants will not be conditioned on a student's continued or future enrollment.

7. Instructions, directions, and guidance provided to students concerning the Emergency Grants will be included upon the commencement of distribution of grants to students.

Questions regarding this disclosure should be directed to Omar Sanchez, Vice President and Director of Financial Aid, at omarsnc@fnu.edu.