Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, 2020 (CARES Act), the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA Act) and the American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARP Act 2021)

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Item 1

Acknowledgement


In addition, hereby Inter American University of Puerto Rico, Arecibo Campus, assures that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. As to the CRRSAA Act and ARP Act 2021, our institution has used or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the amount of funds received under the CRRSAA section 314 (a)(1) and ARP Act 2021 section 2003 (7) to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

___Dr. Rafael Ramírez Rivera___
Chancellor

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President

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<th>Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students Portion</th>
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<td>Item #2: Total funds received under CARES Act, CRRSAA Act and ARP Act</td>
<td>As of September 30, 2021</td>
<td>$3,550,052.00</td>
<td>$13,870,498.00</td>
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<td>Item #3: Total funds distributed to students under CARES Act, CRRSAA Act and ARP Act</td>
<td>As of September 30, 2021</td>
<td>$3,550,052.00</td>
<td>$8,667,512.01</td>
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<td>Item #4: Number of students eligible to receive the emergency financial aid</td>
<td>As of September 30, 2021</td>
<td>3,169</td>
<td>6,133</td>
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<td>Item #5: Number of students who have received the emergency financial aid</td>
<td>As of September 30, 2021</td>
<td>3,097</td>
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**Item 6** — Method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive.

**A** — Under Section 18004 of the **CARES Act**

Inter American University of Puerto Rico established the following guidelines to determine eligibility of its students for the *Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF)* emergency assistance provided by the **CARES Act**:

- Students must be actively enrolled in face-to-face program, conducive to complete an academic degree or certificate, during the academic terms affected by the Coronavirus pandemic and thus the study program was interrupted by the emergency. Any student that did not fit into this definition were deemed not eligible to receive the emergency aid.
- Students have filed or may file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) were deemed eligible. As an alternative to student’s who under special conditions cannot complete a FAFSA, may demonstrate eligibility by completing an application in which the student attests under the penalty of perjury to meeting the requirements of Section 484 of the HEA.
- Students who are or could be eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the **Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA)**, as amended, must comply with the following eligibility criteria among others:
  - Have a valid Social Security number
  - Be a citizen or national of the United States, a permanent resident, or belong to an eligible noncitizen category to receive the grant
  - Not be enrolled in an elementary or high school and I have a valid high school diploma or its recognized equivalent
  - Maintain satisfactory academic progress (SAP)
Inter American University of Puerto Rico, Arecibo Campus students’ HEERF emergency assistance under the CARES Act amounts to $1,120.24 per student.

B – Under Section 314 (a)(1) of the CRRSA Act

Inter American University of Puerto Rico established the following guidelines to determine eligibility of its students for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERFII) emergency assistance provided by the CRRSA Act:

- Students must be actively enrolled in an educational program, including distance education programs, conducive to complete an academic degree or certificate, during the following academic terms affected by the Coronavirus pandemic: 202112, 202123, 202130, 202131, 202135, 202137, and 202139.
- Students who are American citizens or alien students that could be eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA), as amended.
- The students identified with an exceptional need (maximum amount of Pell grant recipients) were awarded the higher amount of emergency assistance.
- The students with a FAFSA on file with an Estimated Family Contribution between 1 and 5,711 were awarded 75% of the amount awarded to exceptional needs students.
- The students with no FAFSA on file, were awarded 50% of the amount awarded to exceptional needs students.

Inter American University of Puerto Rico, Arecibo Campus students’ emergency assistance under the CRRSA Act ranged between $716.19 and $1,432.38.
C – Under Section 2003 (7) of the **ARP Act 2021**

Inter American University of Puerto Rico established the following guidelines to determine eligibility of its students for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERFIII) student’s emergency assistance provided under Section 2003(7) of the **ARP Act of 2021**:

- Students must be actively enrolled in an educational program either conducive to complete an academic degree or certificate or non-degree seeking students. Students enrolled in distance education programs are eligible. The enrollment should be in the following academic terms affected by the Coronavirus pandemic: 202210, 202213, 202211, 202215, 202217, 202219, 202221, 202223, 202230, 202237, 202239, 202233, 202234.
- Students who are American citizens or foreign students are eligible.
- The students identified with an exceptional need (maximum amount of Pell grant recipients) were awarded the higher amount of emergency assistance.
- The students with a FAFSA on file with an Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) between 1 and 5,846 were awarded 75% of the amount awarded to exceptional needs students.
- The students with an Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) in excess of 5,846 and no FAFSA on file, were awarded 50% of the amount awarded to exceptional needs students.
- Students enrolled in the following short academic terms were awarded an amount of $100 to support their internet service expenditure: July 2021 terms 202204, 202211 and August 2021 term 202207.

Inter American University of Puerto Rico, Arecibo Campus students’ emergency assistance under the **ARP Act 2021** ranged between $760.00 and $1,941.41.

**Item 7 – Instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.**

Inter American University of Puerto Rico, Arecibo Campus provided the following communications to the students related to the CARES Act, CRRSAA Act and ARP Act 2021 emergency aid:

- May 5, 2020 – Letter to students announcing the distribution of the CARES ACT emergency aid and describing the distribution methodology.
- May 5, 2020 – Email to potentially eligible students with no FAFSA on record at the institution providing guidance to file the FAFSA.
- April 30, 2020 – Email update to students on the status of CARES Act emergency aid funds to be received.
- April 15-16, 2020 – Email to students describing the purpose of the CARES Act emergency aid funds.
- March 1, 2021 – Letter sent via email to all students announcing the distribution of the CRRSAA Act emergency aid and describing the eligibility criteria.
- September 16, 2021 – Letter and Frequently Asked Questions sent via email to all students announcing the distribution of the ARP Act 2021 emergency aid and describing the eligibility criteria.