ARP Act - Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Reporting (HEERF III)
Report and Disclosure for December 2021

1. University of Missouri – Kansas City acknowledges it signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the original Certification and Agreement form on 04/16/2020 under the CARES Act section 18004(a)(1), and assures that the funds will and have been used to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

2. The Total Amount of funds UMKC received from the US Department of Education to fund HEERF III emergency grants is $11,423,023.

3. The Total Amount of HEERF III funds awarded as of 12/31/2021 is $7,695,250.

4. We estimate that 20,793 students are eligible to be considered for the HEERF III funds.

5. The total number of students who have received HEERF III funds as of 12/31/2021 is 6,166.

6. UMKC used the following methods for determining eligibility for HEERF III funding:

   a. Eligibility Requirements
      i. Enrolled in the Spring 2021 term, Summer 2021 term, or Fall 2021 Term
      ii. Priority to students with financial need
      iii. Complete a Federal HEERF III Emergency Grant application

   b. Award Amount - determined based upon a student’s need as calculated by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or through case by case review to adjust a student from one category to a higher one based on other need information or other extenuating circumstances. This may include students working with the basic needs coordinator utilizing the food pantry or in some other capacity or based on other extenuating circumstances.

   

| 12,000 EFC  
Or Less | 12,001 - 25,000  
| 25,001 - 50,000  
| 50,001 or Higher or No FAFSA  |
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| 1500     | 1000            | 750             | 500             |

   c. Students have the option to indicate if they want the grant to apply first to their student bill or be sent to them as check or direct deposit through the application process
   d. Awards were distributed on a first come first serve basis and due to the high volume of applicants, the application was closed 10/8/2021 to allow processing time for review of applications and posting of awards.

7. Below is a summary of the methods used to provide students information concerning HEERF III emergency grants
   a. Website distribution: https://finaid.umkc.edu/financial-aid/emergency-resources.html
b. Email communication regarding opening of application

Financial Aid and Scholarships Office

Dear Casey Rico,

The signing of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 has provided additional emergency financial aid grant funding to UMKC called the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) III. This grant may be used to assist students through the COVID-19 global pandemic that have exceptional needs related to educational costs, food, housing, health care (including mental care) or childcare.

Eligibility Requirements
- Enrolled in the Spring 2021 term, Summer 2021 term, or Fall 2021 Term
- Priority to students with financial need
- Complete a Federal HEERF III Emergency Grant application

Award Amount
Grant amounts will be determined based upon a student's need as calculated by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). If you did not complete a FAFSA your need eligibility will be determined based on your grant application.

Disbursement Options
You will have the option on the grant application to indicate if you want the emergency grant to help pay your educational costs on your bill first, if this option is selected, the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office will apply the grant to your bill. If this option is not selected, the funds will be sent directly to you by check or direct deposit.

Apply
Use the following link to submit your application
https://umkc.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ema94ed0kOnzC

Applications will be reviewed and awards will be distributed in the order they are received until funding is depleted. We encourage students to apply as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Financial Aid and Scholarships Office
University of Missouri -- Kansas City
101 Administrative Center
5100 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110-2499
Phone | 816-235-3154
Fax | 816-235-5511
Toll Free | 1-800-775-UMKC
Email | final@umkc.edu
Web | final.umkc.edu

Administrative Center, Room 101 | 5115 Oak Street | Kansas City, MO 64112

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c. HEERF III Emergency Funding Application
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) III Application

Please complete the following application to be considered for HEERF II Emergency Funds.

First Name

Last Name

Student ID (6-digit ID Number)

UMKC Email Address (Enter your @mail.umkc.edu email address)

I certify that the information I have provided on this application is true to the best of my knowledge and I also understand that the UMKC Financial Aid and Scholarships Office will process applications in the order in which they are received. Furthermore, I acknowledge that due to a high volume of applicants not everyone will receive funding.

Sign below

SIGN HERE
d. Students approved for funding were notified via their UMKC Student email account of their award amount, information regarding how they would receive the funds and Direct Deposit information.

“Dear Casey Roo,

You have been selected to receive an award from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III) Emergency Grant for $1,500 to be applied to your account for the Fall 2021 semester.
If on your application you selected the option for the grant to be applied directly to your student bill, the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office will apply the grant to your bill automatically. If you selected the option for the grant to be directly sent to you, you will receive the grant via a check in the mail or via Direct Deposit.

We strongly recommend that you ensure that you have Direct Deposit setup. If you are not signed up for Direct Deposit then it could take up to two weeks to receive your emergency funds.

If you have additional questions please contact the UMKC Financial Aid & Scholarships Office.

Sincerely,

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Kansas City, Missouri 64110-2499
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Language on UMKC’s billing notifications

Additional HEERF Funding Available! Apply for funds at Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) III Application

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Special Circumstances Outreach – In July students were sent the following communication to inform them of our special circumstances process.

Financial Aid and Scholarships Office

Dear Casey Roe,

If you or your family’s financial situation has changed significantly from what is reflected on your federal income tax return (for example, if you’ve lost a job or otherwise experienced a drop in income), you may be eligible to have your financial aid adjusted.

First, make sure you have filled out the FAFSA and have submitted it to UMKC using our School Code: 002518. This information will then be used to review your eligibility for federal aid.

Once you have completed the FAFSA or if you’ve already submitted it, we may be able to adjust the information to more accurately reflect your current financial circumstances. For example, if changes to your family’s financial situation have occurred within the current academic year, you may be able to submit a Special Circumstances Appeal to see if you qualify for additional aid. Complete and submit the 2021-22 Special Circumstances Appeal form to begin the process.

Please contact the financial aid and scholarships office if you have any questions about the FAFSA, Special Circumstances Appeal form, or other elements of the financial aid process.

Sincerely,

UMKC Financial Aid & Scholarships Office
Postcards were also mailed to students in September.