

Missouri Western State University CARES Act Fund 30-Day Report; no changes for 45-Day Report

The CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) provides funding to institutions for emergency financial aid grants to students whose lives have been disrupted by the coronavirus pandemic.

With regard to CARES Act Section 18004(a)(1), Missouri Western State University acknowledges:

A signed Certification and Agreement was returned to the U.S. Department of Education on April 16, 2020.

MWSU received \$1,861,176.00 in emergency funds.

May 7, 2020 \$1,845,000.00 in emergency funds was distributed to students by either direct deposit or check.

As of March 20, 2020 MWSU had 2,762 eligible students. Eligibility was directed by the U.S. Department of Education as currently degree-seeking students (either undergraduate or graduate) not enrolled in an entirely online program, and who have demonstrated their eligibility to receive Title IV federal funds.

2,762 students received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

Funding was awarded to students who met the following criteria:

- 2019-20 FAFSA on file.
- Not enrolled in elementary or secondary school.
- Maintaining satisfactory academic progress during the affected period.
- Does not owe an overpayment on Title IV grants or loans.
- Not in default on Title IV loan.
- Financial Aid application on file with certification including a statement of educational purpose and student's social security number.
- A U.S. citizen or national, permanent resident, or other eligible noncitizen.
- Have returned fraudulently obtained Title IV funds if convicted of or pled guilty or no contest to charges.
- Did not fraudulently receive Title IV loans in excess of annual or aggregate limits.
- Repaid Title IV loan amounts in excess of annual or aggregate limits if obtained inadvertently.
- Selective Service registration verified.

- Social Security Number verified.
- Does not have a federal or state conviction for drug possession or sale, with certain time limitations.
- Not an employee or dependent of an employee of Missouri Western State University.
- Had not withdrawn (official or unofficial) prior to May 13, 2020.

The CARES Act requires that distribution of these funds goes directly to the student rather than applying to your student account. If you would like to apply some or all of these funds to an outstanding student account balance please contact the Business Office at (816) 271-4324.

Other resources are available. Please contact Counseling Services or Student Affairs for further assistance.