

## The Boston Architectural College Quarter Four: HEERF II & III Report\*

Institutions receiving funds under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) and American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARP) must report the below information regarding Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students, that is easily accessible to the public, on a quarterly basis.

1. An acknowledgement that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

The Boston Architectural College (BAC) signed and returned the Certification and Agreement for the HEERF I grant on May 1, 2020. According to the regulations, no additional certificate was required. The BAC automatically received their eligible funding under HEERF II & III and will draw down these funds within the timeframe required to constitute our acceptance of the applicable terms and conditions.

2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

The BAC has received \$536,707 under the student portion of CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1).

3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the initial report and every calendar quarter thereafter).

As of December 31, 2021, the BAC has distributed \$317,150 of the student grants.

4. The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

The BAC had an estimated 917 students that would be eligible based upon enrollment at any point from Spring 2020 through Summer 2021. An additional, approximately, 184 students enrolled in Fall 2021 will also be eligible pending available funds.

5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

As of September 31<sup>st</sup>, the BAC has distributed funds to 238 students.

6. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

In accordance with the funding parameters, the BAC prioritized students with greatest need. The BAC determined that this is undergraduate students who were PELL eligible during at least one eligible term. These students were invited to complete a form indicating their need and requesting funding support. All students who completed the form in this first priority group were awarded the amount they requested up to \$2,000. All students who requested \$2,000 or more were granted \$2,000.

The BAC next invited graduate students, who had a reported total family contribution amount that was equal to the undergraduate PELL equivalent, to also complete the form requesting funding. All requests under \$1,000 were granted in full and students who requested \$1,000 or more were each given \$1,000.

The third group of students included all eligible that were not in the first two groups above. With available funds, the BAC awarded undergraduate requests up to \$2,000 and students who requested \$2,000 or more were granted \$2,000. Graduate students who requested up to \$1,000 were granted in full and students who requested \$1,000 or more were each given \$1,000.

7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

The BAC notified students of the available funds and emailed the form directly to students in order of priority. Students were informed via the form that they could request funding to be sent directly to them or they could have the BAC apply funds to their BAC account to cover unpaid costs of attendance.

\* Note that the BAC did not receive the CRRSAA or ARP funds until quarter three of 2021. We did not issue any funds to students in quarters one or two under the anticipated CRRSAA or ARP allocations. The BAC waited until such funds had been received in quarter three before awarding them to students.

This report only includes student information for CRRSAA and ARP, as the CARES student allocations were issued in full during 2020.