Fresno Pacific University – OPE ID: 001253 American Rescue Plan – Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III September 30, 2021

As required by the American Rescue Plan Act and in compliance with guidance from the U.S. Department of Education, Fresno Pacific University reports its use of the Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

- Fresno Pacific University signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education its Certification and Agreement that the university has used, or intends to use, no less than than the amount of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under ARPA.
- 2. Fresno Pacific University has or will receive \$6,250,195 from the U.S. Department of Education for ARP Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students (HEERF III).
- 3. As of September 30, 2021, Fresno Pacific University had disbursed \$0 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants (HEERF III) to students.
- 4. Fresno Pacific University estimates the number of students in Fall 2021 eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to be 3,600.
- 5. No students have been awarded Emergency Financial Aid Grants in amounts ranging from \$100 to \$1,640 as of September 30, 2021.
- 6. Method of Awarding of Emergency Financial Aid Grants:

Eligibility Requirements:

- Enrolled in 1 or more units in a degree or credential program in Spring 21, Summer 21, Fall 21
- Funds are meant to cover components of the Cost of Attendance (Tuition + Fees, Books, Living Expenses, Food, Transportation, etc.), or expenses related or incurred due to COVID-19.

Awarding Assumptions:

- Priority is given to students with demonstrated high financial need
 - o Zero-EFC students
 - o Pell-eligible students
 - Undergraduate students with EFCs <= 10,000
 - Grad Students with an EFC in the 0 10,000 range
- Priority for funds should be given to full-time students

Awarding Process

ARPA Grant

The ARPA Grant is available to all degree and credential students, regardless of citizenship or status, who are enrolled in at least one unit of credit in Fall 2021.

Funds are awarded based upon degree level, enrollment and EFC range with larger awards given to full-time undergraduate and credential students with high financial need. Funds are disbursed according to the following matrixes.

Fall 2021		UNDERGRADUATE/CREDENTIAL				
EFC Range		Units				
Min	Max	1-5 6-8 9-11 1				
0	0	600	760	1,320	1,640	
>0	10K	520	680	1,160	1,480	
>10K	20K	440	600	1,000	1,320	
>20K	30K	360	520	840	1,160	
>30K		280	440	680	1,000	
No FAFSA		200	360	520	840	

Fall 202	1	GRADUATE/SEMINARY					
EFC Range		Units					
Min	Max	1-5 6-8 9-11 12+					
0	0	300	380	660	820		
>0	10K	260	340	580	740		
>10K	20K	220	300	500	660		
>20K	30K	180	260	420	580		
>30K		140 220 340 500					
No FAFSA		100 180 260 420					

7. Communications to Students

- A. All students enrolled in Fall 2021 were notified by email of the availability of the ARPA Grant:
 - a. Email 1

Claim Your American Rescue Plan Award (ARPA) by October 1, 2021

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Who is eligible for an ARPA?

- Undergraduate and graduate degree and credential students
- Enrolled in Fall 2021 for one or more credits on October 2, 2021
- Students in all statuses: U.S. Citizens, Permanent Residents, Dreamer, DACA, undocumented, international, etc.

ARPA grant amounts

ARPA grant amounts vary from \$100 to \$1,650 depending on program, enrollment, and FAFSA EFC (including non-FAFSA filers). See how much you can get by going to fpu.edu/ARPA

Complete the Grant Consent Form by October 1, 2021

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Additional details

More information about the ARPA grant, including a FAQ, can be found on the ARPA webpage at fpu.edu/ARPA

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Sincerely,

Student Financial Services
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b. Email 2

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c. Email 3

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B. The Grant Consent form is completed by recipients to provide affirmative consent to apply funds to the student account.



C. Flyers were also posted at all campuses.



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fpu.edu/ARPA

D. A webpage https://fresno.edu/ARPA was also created to explain the program, the award amounts, and provide answers to frequently asked questions.

Latest COVID-19 information available here [https://www.fresno.edu/coronavirus]



American Rescue Plan Award (ARPA)

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Fall 2021 Undergraduate/Credential Enrolled Student Award Amounts per EFC/Credit Load

Enrolled Credits as of October 2, 2021

Fall 2021	1-5	6-8	9-11	12+
FAFSA \$0 EFC	\$600	\$760	\$1.320	\$1.640
FAFSA >0 - 10K EFC	\$520	\$680	LI OUESTIO	

Fall 2021	1-5	6-8	9-11	12+	
FAFSA >10K - 20K EFC	\$440	\$600	\$1,000	\$1,320	
FAFSA >20K - 30K EFC	\$360	\$520	\$840	\$1,160	
FAFSA >30K+ EFC	\$280	\$440	\$680	\$1,000	
No FAFSA	\$200	\$360	\$520	\$840	

Fall 2021 Graduate Enrolled Student Award Amounts per EFC/Credit Load

Enrolled Credits as of October 2, 2021

Fall 2021	1-5	6-8	9-11	12+
FAFSA \$0 EFC	\$300	\$380	\$680	\$820
FAFSA >0 - 10K EFC	\$260	\$340	\$580	\$740
FAFSA >10K - 20K EFC	\$220	\$300	\$500	\$660
FAFSA >20K - 30K EFC	\$180	\$260	\$420	\$580
FAFSA >30K+ EFC	\$140	\$220	\$340	\$500
No FAFSA	\$100	\$180	\$260	\$420

The American Rescue Plan Awards for Fall 2021 will be processed the week of October 11, 2021. Funds are only available to degree or credential-seeking students. Students with exceptional financial need may apply for additional funding through the Edquity app which will be available October 1, 2021.



What can I use the ARPA funds for? [#ARPA]

Is this award considered financial aid? [#is-aid]

Will I pay income tax on the ARPA funds? [#pay-funds]

Can I still complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid(FAFSA)? [#complete-faf]

How do I know what my FAFSA EFC is? [#how-efc]

What if I can't complete the FAFSA? [#cant-complete]

Student Financial Services

Phone: 559-453-2041 Toll free: 866-321-7502 Cashier: 559-453-5586 Fax: 559-453-5595

sfs@fresno.edu

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But Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but for God all things are POSSIBLE."

Matthew 19:26 NRSV

