

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) reporting

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Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was signed into law on March 27, 2020. Part of the CARES Act (HEERF) was created for distribution to colleges and universities, intended to help offset costs to students and institutions resulting from campus disruptions due to the Coronavirus.

1. O'Brien's Aveda Institute signed and returned the Certification and Agreement which assures that the College will use no less than 50% of the funds received for emergency financial aid grants.
2. O'Brien's Aveda Institute received \$53020.00 from the HEERF on May 29, 2020. We are awarding these funds directly to students to help with expenses incurred as a result of the disruption caused by COVID-19.
3. As of September 16, 2020, \$53020.00 has been distributed to students.
4. O'Brien's Aveda Institute has 40 students eligible to receive emergency financial aid grants.
5. As of June 24, 2020, no O'Brien's Aveda Institute students have received emergency financial aid grants.
6. The method used by O'Brien's Aveda Institute to determine which students receive emergency financial aid grants is as follows:
 - Determine if an enrolled student's education was disrupted financially by the Covid-19 pandemic and the actions taken by local and national bodies of government to try to prevent the further spread of the virus. The institute created a form for students to complete to verify that they were affected and that they intend to use the funds for one or more of the expenses listed on the CARES Act certification and agreement document (food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, child care expenses)
 - Distribute funds based on course length.