

Gallaudet HEERF Report #1 – May 18, 2020

1. Gallaudet University signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement on April 21, 2020. The University intends to use no less than 50 percent of the \$1,642,996 provided to Gallaudet under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. Gallaudet has been awarded \$821,498 for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students, and these funds are currently available for drawdown by the University. As of May 18, 2020, no funds have yet been drawn down from the Department of Education.
3. As of May 18, 2020, no funds have yet been distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. The University expects that the first round of these grants will be disbursed to qualified students no later than June 15, 2020.
4. As of May 18, 2020, Gallaudet has received a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) from 1,116 students who were enrolled during Spring 2020. While not all of these students received federal aid or met other Title IV eligibility requirements, this is the most conservative number to report as an estimate at this time.

There were an additional 153 students who were U.S. citizens or permanent residents who had not completed the FAFSA but might be eligible for Title IV funding if the FAFSA was completed.

5. As of May 18, 2020, no students have yet received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant from the University under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. The University expects that the first round of these grants will be disbursed to qualified students no later than June 15, 2020.
6. The University has created a committee charged with creating a list of criteria for students to meet to receive grants. The University will be using a two-pronged approach to award Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. A proportion of the funds awarded will be disbursed to students who meet specific criteria to be established by the committee without an application. The remaining amount will be available for students who feel they have additional needs to apply for funds.
7. As of May 18, 2020, no additional instructions, directions, or guidance has been provided by Gallaudet to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants. The University expects to start communicating with

students about these funds within the next few weeks and will report on this information in the next report.