Eastern Illinois University (EIU) has signed and returned the Certification for the CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund. EIU will use at least 50% of the CARES Act money to fund student grants.

EIU anticipates receiving $4,506,779 of CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief funding. $2,253,390 will be used for grants to students.

We have distributed grants totaling $1,729,615.00 to the students as of August 20, 2020 under 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

We estimate that approximately 3655 students are eligible to receive a CARES Act grant under Section 484 of Title IV.

3655 students have received grants under 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

Students that are eligible for the grants are those that are degree seeking, eligible under Title IV as determined by the filing and acceptance of a 19/20 FAFSA and not enrolled in an online program for Spring 2020. In Phase 1, each eligible student will receive $30.00 per enrolled Spring semester credit hour as of May 12, 2020. In Phase 2, students that meet the eligibility requirements, will be permitted to apply for another grant. The total of the Phase 1 and Phase 2 grants may not exceed $1000.00.