



U.S. Department of Education Allocation of American Rescue Plan Act Emergency Funds to HEIs and Students

DISTRIBUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION EMERGENCY RELIEF FUNDS TO INSTITUTIONS AND STUDENTS

The U.S. Department of Education approximated the factors using the best available data from the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) and Pell Grant Volume data provided by the Office of Federal Student Aid (FSA). To read ACE's full methodology, click [here](#).

To see expected allocations for individual New England institutions, click [here](#).

The American Rescue Plan Act was passed by Congress and signed by President Biden on March 11, 2021.

\$36 billion will flow from the **Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund** to public and private, non-profit higher education institutions based on a formula that considers full-time enrollment of Pell and non-Pell students and enrollment in distance education courses.

Institutions may use these funds to defray expenses associated with Covid-19, as well as make additional financial aid grants to students. Additionally, they must use a portion of their allocation to implement evidence-based practices to monitor and suppress Covid-19 and conduct direct outreach to financial aid applicants about the opportunity to adjust aid due to recent unemployment or other circumstances.

Approximately \$18 billion (50% of the amount received by institutions) of the relief fund must be used to provide direct emergency aid to students in the form of cash for students' cost of attendance and expenses related to disruption of campus operations. Institutions must prioritize students with the greatest need.

\$1.67 B
Total estimated in-flow to region's Title IV, degree-granting HEIs

\$8.2 M
Average amount per Title IV, degree-granting HEIs

| State | Sector | ACE Projection of HEI Distributions | ACE Estimated Minimum Amount for Student Grants |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Connecticut Total: \$358 million | 2-year Publics | \$117,108,000 | \$60,751,500 |
| | 4-year Regionals | \$68,958,000 | \$34,729,000 |
| | UConn Campuses | \$56,616,000 | \$28,308,000 |
| | Independent Colleges & Universities | \$115,461,000 | \$57,730,500 |
| Maine Total: \$120 million | ME Community College System | \$33,986,000 | \$16,993,000 |
| | UMaine System | \$55,248,000 | \$27,624,000 |
| | Independent Colleges & Universities | \$30,916,000 | \$15,458,000 |
| Massachusetts Total: \$774 million | 2-year Publics | \$194,465,000 | \$97,232,500 |
| | 4-year Regionals | \$100,543,000 | \$50,271,500 |
| | UMass System | \$95,890,000 | \$47,945,000 |
| | Independent Colleges & Universities | \$383,274,000 | \$191,583,000 |
| New Hampshire Total: \$164 million | 2-year Publics | \$24,181,000 | \$12,090,500 |
| | 4-year Regionals | \$19,669,000 | \$10,907,500 |
| | University of New Hampshire | \$30,232,000 | \$15,116,000 |
| | Independent Colleges & Universities | \$90,075,000 | \$45,037,500 |
| Rhode Island Total: \$178 million | Community College of RI | \$38,309,000 | \$19,154,500 |
| | RI College | \$21,159,000 | \$10,579,500 |
| | University of RI | \$30,786,000 | \$15,393,000 |
| | Independent Colleges & Universities | \$87,963,000 | \$43,981,500 |
| Vermont Total Allocation: \$65 million | Community College of VT | \$8,031,000 | \$4,015,500 |
| | 4-year Regionals | \$14,747,000 | \$7,373,500 |
| | University of VT | \$18,995,000 | \$9,497,500 |
| | Independent Colleges & Universities | \$23,368,000 | \$11,684,000 |