

Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) Grant Overview for MIAT College of Technology-CARES Act 2020

MIAT College of Technology signed and submitted to the Department of Education the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) Certification and Agreement on April 16th, 2020 to receive the funds allocated to the institution from the CARES Act.

As outlined in the certification and agreement expectations, as well as Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act, MIAT College of Technology will use no less than 50% of the total allotted amount of funds received from the Department of Education for those eligible students whose education have been disrupted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The disbursements of funds have been distributed, and will continue to be distributed, in the form of emergency fund grants to students until the full amount allocated for student assistance is exhausted.

Students may apply for the available emergency funds during any term that it is available. Application deadlines may apply. The emergency grants are available via the online application process linked here: <https://miat.edu/grant-application/> . Student eligibility is determined in the following areas and is outlined on the application:

- The applicant must be an MIAT College of Technology student with an enrollment date prior to March 13, 2020.
- The applicant must be Title IV federal financial aid eligible.
- The applicant must certify that they have experienced disruption in education due to COVID-19.
- The applicant must attest that they will utilize the funds for allowed expenses only (housing, food, utilities, technology, or other expenses needed for online learning, course materials, and medical expenses-including additional support needed for accessibility purposes.)
- The application must be received within the deadlines determined.

Applications for the first term of availability of the emergency grant funds were accepted between the dates of 4.27.2020 and 5.15.2020. Approved applications were processed in a timely manner. Approved applicants received a \$250 emergency grant.

The next application term began during the May 2020 academic term. Applications for the emergency grant funds for this second academic term were accepted between the dates of 5.16.2020 and 6.18. 2020. Approved applications were processed in a timely manner. Approved applicants received a \$250 emergency grant. Subsequent per term grant amounts are subject to review and revision.

In addition to the guidance provided on the application itself, students have received this additional written information from MIAT:

- Students may reapply for emergency funds every term that it is offered. However, only one application per eligible student per term will be processed.

- Any emergency fund check that is not cashed within 60 days of issuance will be voided and the funds will be redistributed to another student in need.
- Additional groups of students may be determined to need emergency funding separate from the application process and in varying amounts due to extreme or unique need.

This may not require application by the student. Should this occur, eligible students will be notified, and funds will be distributed in a timely manner.

The next cycle of distribution was conducted during the June 2020 term. During this distribution cycle, the institution issued \$500 to each eligible student without an application process. Eligible students were in an active or leave-of-absence (LOA) status and were determined to be Title IV federal financial aid eligible.

Below is the current breakdown of information to further disclose MIAT College of Technology's transactions relative to HEERF (Data is current as of August 7, 2020):

Total Amount HEERF received by MIAT:	Minimal amount to be used for student emergency fund grants:	Total amount of Emergency Grants distributed to students as of 8.7.20:	Estimated total number of students eligible for emergency grants at MIAT:	The total number of MIAT students who have received emergency funds as of 8.7.20*:
\$2,341,441	\$1,170,721	\$639,394.69	884	1423

*Total number of MIAT students who have received the emergency grant as of 8.7.20 include any students who have applied for, and been approved for, multiple disbursements of grant relief money in any term in which it was available.