CARES ACT 45 Day Report

December 1, 2020

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed on March 27, 2020, to address unmet financial and health needs arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. Florida Gateway College signed and returned the Department Certification and Agreement in April and received $1.49M in CARES Act funding on April 25, 2020. A minimum of 50% of this funding will be distributed directly to students in several phases over the term of the award year.

The estimated total number of students that are eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in the Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants attending Florida Gateway College for Spring 2020 semester is 2,491, 635 for Summer 2020 and 2,909 for Fall 2020.

As of December 1, 2020, Florida Gateway College has disbursed $550,580 in Cares Act funds to 1,143 students.

Florida Gateway College has posted the following criteria on our website <https://www.fgc.edu/coronavirus-covid-19-fgc-update/> :

1. Be a US Citizen or eligible noncitizen
2. Have a valid social security number
3. Registered with Selective Service (if the student is male)
4. Have a high school diploma, GED, or completion of high school in an approved homeschool setting (must not have been enrolled in high school on March 13, 2020).
5. Be making satisfactory academic progress
6. Be working on an approved degree or certificate
7. Not be in default on a federal student loan or owe a repayment of a federal grant

Florida Gateway College requires an application signed by the students which contains an attestation verifying the fact that the applicants have been impacted educationally, financially and personally due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the funds are needed to cover such expenses as food, housing, course materials, technology, healthcare or childcare, etc.