

Higher Education Emergency Fund – ARP (HEERF-III) – Student Emergency Funds at BGSP – *Spring 2021* – 30-day report

The Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis (OPEID 03194300) signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economics Security (CARES) Act in April 2020. On May 11, 2021 the U.S Department of Education announced an additional \$36 billion available to public and private non-profit institutions of higher education to serve students and ensure learning continues during the COVID-19 pandemic. This funding is allocated to the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF-III) by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP).

BGSP's allocation of funding received through HEERF-III to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants directly to students is **\$39,247**. As with prior HEERF funding, HEERF-III emergency grants to students may be used for "any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care." The ARP directs institutions to prioritize students with exceptional need as well, but does not place restrictions on these funds with regard to citizenship or eligibility for title IV funding.

As of this posting (6/15/2021) BGSP is determining the funding plan and will be announcing the application process shortly for these funds. We expect funds to be available to students enrolled in the Fall 2021 semester at the institution.

More information on the ARP-HEERF-III funds can be found on the Department of Education website: <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/arp.html>