



North Carolina State Education Assistance Authority

NCSEAA Updates

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- Overview of Longleaf Complete Program (GEER II)
- Overview of Forgivable Education Loans for Service Program (FELS)

Longleaf Complete Program (GEER II)

Provided through the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund

- \$9,376,092
 - Financial Aid Grants (Original and Summer Accelerator Allocations)
 - Student Support Services (Original Allocation)
 - Funds provide the resources to help students complete their degrees or credentials when their education has been or is at risk of being interrupted, particularly due to the pandemic. Institutions may use the funds to award financial aid grants to students or expand student support services, such as academic advising, success coaching, and similar resources that assist students with completing their programs.
- Undergraduate, North Carolina Resident
- Must be fully expended by **September 30, 2023**
- Refer to **Formal Guidance Document**

ORIGINAL ALLOCATION

Financial Aid Grants

Eligible students may receive grants to address financial need based on the financial aid administrator's professional judgment. Any financial aid grants provided under this subaward must go to undergraduate students who:

- are residents of North Carolina per RDS;
 - are enrolled in an academic program leading to a degree or credential;
 - **have completed at least 50% of their academic program;**
 - **enrolled (not withdrawn) at the time of disbursement** to receive funds; and
 - have not previously earned a postsecondary degree or credential, unless the student previously earned an associate degree and is pursuing a bachelor's degree.
- While not required, it is suggested that institutions prioritize aid to adult learners (those students age 24 and older) and those who have stopped out since March 13, 2020.

ORIGINAL ALLOCATION

Student Support Services

Institutions may use funds to expand evidence-based practices, including student advising, student outreach, success coaching capacity, student success and retention-based related technology, and similar resources. Services provided using GEER funds under this subaward may benefit students who do not meet eligibility for financial aid grants. These funds are intended to be additive and may not be used to supplant existing funding.

SUMMER ACCELERATOR ALLOCATION

(Summer 2022 and Summer 2023)

Financial Aid Grants

Eligible students may receive grants to address financial need based on the financial aid administrator's professional judgment. Any financial aid grants provided under this subaward must go to undergraduate students who:

- are residents of North Carolina per RDS;
- are enrolled in an academic program leading to a degree or credential;
- **enrolled (not withdrawn) at the time of disbursement** to receive funds; and
- have not previously earned a postsecondary degree or credential, unless the student previously earned an associate degree and is pursuing a bachelor's degree.

- Longleaf Complete Monthly report to NCSEAA (Shawn Henderson, shenderson@ncseaa.edu)
- On the report to NCSEAA (see **Reporting Template**), the school must report the following:
 - Total amount of funds (student aid and/or student support services related) spent/committed (during the monthly reporting period – see timeline below);
 - Number of grants awarded;
 - Number of students served by program;
 - Any interest earned per the Cash Management section above;
 - Source documentation, by student awarded, which includes **\$X awarded to student ID on date**; and
 - Details on student support services expenditures including date of invoice or service, vendor name, invoice number, description of item purchased, and expenditure amount(s).

The report and source documentation is due via email to Shawn Henderson at shenderson@ncseaa.edu by the second Monday each month. Payments will be processed on Wednesday of the following week with deposits posting to school accounts on Thursday.

Disbursement-Reimbursement Request/Report Due Date	For Funds Awarded/Committed to Students During the month of...
Monday December 12, 2022	November 2022
Monday, January 9, 2023	December 2022
Monday, February 13, 2023	January 2023

- See **Guidance Document** for full schedule.

Final Reporting – Attachment F

The Attachment F Report is due once schools have **fully expended all funds**

- Attachment F should be completed and submitted to Shawn Henderson once all funds are expended to closeout the program.
- NCSEAA submits school submitted Attachment F to NC PRO

NC Forgivable Education Loans for Service (FELS)

Standards-based loan provides financial assistance to qualified students who are committed to working in North Carolina in identified critical employment shortage professions

- Undergraduate and graduate students

Target employment professions:

Education (Teaching)

Allied Health

Nursing

Medicine

- Priority to upperclassmen who are already admitted to their areas of study in four-year programs
- Application Deadline: March 1 (*Application opens January 2023*)
<http://www.cfnc.org/FELS>
- Applications are entered into a lottery for award consideration

A recipient must meet the following eligibility criteria to be considered for FELS:

- Be a legal North Carolina resident and NC resident for tuition purposes.
- Register with the Selective Service System, if required.
- Not be in default, or owe a refund, under any federal or State loan or grant program.
- Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress according to the enrolling policy of the institution.
- Enroll at least half time, according to the academic standards of the school, each semester to qualify for funding.
- Be willing to work in NC in a designated critical employment field.

- Cumulative minimum grade point average (GPA):
 - **3.00** for graduating high school students (weighted GPA)
 - **2.80** for undergraduate students pursuing an associate or bachelor's degree
- Sign a promissory note
 - Generally, a loan for one academic year (+ interest) will be forgiven for one year of full-time employment in an approved qualified position
 - One loan will be forgiven for two years of part-time employment in an approved qualified position
 - Interest accrues at 7% per year from the date of disbursement
 - Maximum ten-year repayment – may be shorter term based on amount borrowed

FELS – Award Value

Annual Loan Amounts are as follows:

- Diploma, Certificate and/or associate degree programs: \$3,000
- Bachelor's degree program: (juniors and seniors) \$7,000
- Master's degree program: \$10,000
- Doctoral degree program: \$14,000

Maximum Aggregate Loan Limits:

- Diploma, Certificate and/or associate degree programs: \$6,000
- Bachelor's degree program: \$20,000
- Graduate Certificate Programs \$20,000
- Master's degree program: \$20,000
- Doctoral degree program: \$56,000

Note: Recipients must be enrolled at least part-time each semester to qualify for funding. The award amount will be pro-rated according to number of credit hours. Priority is given to Junior & Seniors at the Bachelor's level.

FELS – The Numbers

New FELS Applications

2022-23		2021-22		2020-21		2019-20		2018-19		2017-2018	
Applicants	Recipients	Applicants	Recipients	Applicants	Recipients	Applicants	Recipients	Applicants	Recipients	Applicants	Recipients
1779	1607	2333	1082	3158	1729	3541	968	3091	1197	3397	941

FELS – The 2022-23 Numbers

New FELS Applications – EDUCATION

# Applications	
	EDUCATION
4	Elementary Birth through Kindergarten
45	Elementary (Grades K-6)
3	Elementary English As A Second Language
1	Elementary Reading (Grades K-6)
1	Elementary Exceptional Children-General Curriculum (Grades K-6)
1	Elementary Exceptional Children-Adaptive Curriculum (Grades K-6)
4	Middle Grades Math
2	Middle Grades Science
	Middle Grades Foreign Language
1	Middle Grades English As A Second Language
5	Secondary Math
4	Secondary Comprehensive Science
	Secondary Biology
	Secondary Physics
	Secondary Chemistry
	Secondary Foreign Language
2	Secondary English As A Second Language
24	School Psychologist
24	Special Education
121	Total

New FELS Applications – ALLIED HEALTH

# Applications	
	ALLIED HEALTH
4	Audiology
48	Clinical Mental Health Counseling
6	Clinical Laboratory Sciences
	Cytotechnology
7	Dental Hygiene
8	Emergency Medical Science
	Emergency Medical Technology
1	Imaging/Sonography
2	Marriage & Family Counseling
	Medical Technology
113	Occupational Therapy
6	Occupational Therapy Assistant
22	Optometry
42	Pharmacy
	Pharmacy Technician
192	Physical Therapy
6	Physical Therapy Assistant
127	Physician Assistant
6	Radiography
10	Radiology
	Rehabilitation and Career Counseling
1	Respiratory Care Therapy
39	Social Work
2	Substance Abuse (Addiction) Counseling
49	Speech Language Pathology
691	Total

New FELS Applications – NURSING

# Applications	
	NURSING
3	Clinical Nurse Specialist
16	LPN
170	ADN
189	BSN
68	BSN-DNP
44	RN to BSN
5	RIBN
29	MSN
30	MSN-DNP
74	Anesthesia
20	Education
93	Practitioner
1	Midwifery
742	Total

New FELS Applications – MEDICINE

# Applications	
	MEDICINE
10	Chiropractic
97	Dentistry
105	Medical Doctor
7	Osteopathy
	Podiatry
6	Psychology
225	Total

FELS – The 2022-23 Numbers

Applications (Private Institutions)

Institution Name	Applicants	Funded
Barton College	4	3
Belmont Abbey College	0	0
Bennett College	0	0
Brevard College	0	0
Cabarrus College of Health Sciences	49	48
Campbell University	67	56
Catawba College	10	10
Chowan University	2	2
Duke University	23	17
Duke University School of Nursing	58	57
Elon University	28	18
Gardner-Webb University	75	75
Greensboro College	0	0
Guilford College	0	0
High Point University	27	24
Johnson C. Smith University	0	0
Lees-McRae College	1	1

FELS – The 2022-23 Numbers

Applications (Private Institutions)

Institution Name	Applicants	Funded
Lenoir-Rhyne University	61	60
Livingstone College	0	0
Mars Hill University	0	0
Meredith College	8	8
Methodist University	46	33
Montreat College	0	0
NC Wesleyan College	0	0
Pfeiffer University	23	21
Queens University of Charlotte	6	5
St. Augustine's University	0	0
Salem College	1	1
Shaw University	0	0
St. Andrews University (Webber Int'l)	1	1
University of Mount Olive	0	0
Wake Forest University	59	51
Warren Wilson College	0	0
William Peace University	0	0
Wingate University	70	55
Grand Total	619	546

Thank You!



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