

Federal funding Terminology

- AACC - American Association of Community Colleges
- ABE - Adult Basic Education, and there are a variety of federal programs that fund the activity. One example is the Adult Education and Family Literacy (AEFL) program.
- ACCT - Association of Community College Trustees
- ARP - American Rescue Plan
- CARES - The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
- CRRSAA - The Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) provides funding to institutions of higher education to support college students with direct emergency cash grants in cases where student's lives and educations have been affected by the coronavirus (COVID) outbreak.
- Direct Loan (DL) Program - The program helps make low-interest, variable rate loans available to students and their families to pay for the costs of attending postsecondary institutions. Direct loans are those provided directly through the federal government. The federal government pays the loan interest for students with demonstrated need while they are in school and during grace and deferment periods.
- GEERF - Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund. The Department will award these grants to States (governor's offices) based on a formula stipulated in the legislation.
- HBCU - Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- HEERF - Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund. Over the three rounds of coronavirus relief legislation (CARES, CRRSAA, and ARP), HEERF grants provided approximately \$73 billion of student and institutional support to institutions of higher education.
- IHE - Institutions of Higher Education
- MSI - Minority Serving Institutions
- NLS - National Legislative Summit (ACCT)
- Perkins - Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act: Perkins Act programs are intended to enhance educational opportunities for all career and technical education students at public secondary and postsecondary schools. Funds are disseminated to states, which in turn allocate funds by formula to secondary and postsecondary schools.

- Pell Grant - The Pell Grant program is a needs-based program and grants are awarded to eligible undergraduate students who have not yet earned a bachelor's degree.
- short-term "workforce" Pell - amendment would have eliminated federal loan eligibility for short-term career training programs -- between eight and 15 weeks -- and replace those loans with grant aid.
- SCC - Strengthening Community College Training Grants Program aims to build the capacity of community colleges to collaborate with employers and the public workforce development system to meet local and regional labor market demand for a skilled workforce.
- SEOG - Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant is a grant for undergraduate students with exceptional financial need.
- TAACCCT - Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training
- Title III-A - The program helps eligible Institutions of Higher Education to become self-sufficient and expand their capacity to serve low-income students by providing funds to improve and strengthen the academic quality, institutional management, and fiscal stability of eligible institutions. Title III includes the Strengthening Institutions program (SIP), funds for HBCUs, and funds for other Minority Serving Institutions (MSI).
- Title V - Title V provides funding for Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI), defined as institutions enrolling at least 25% Hispanic students.
- TRIO - The Federal TRIO Programs (TRIO) are Federal outreach and student services programs designed to identify and provide services for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. TRIO includes eight programs targeted to serve and assist low-income individuals, first-generation college students, and individuals with disabilities to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to postbaccalaureate programs.
- Federal Work Study - Federal Work-Study provides part-time jobs for undergraduate and graduate students with financial need, allowing them to earn money to help pay education expenses.
- WIOA - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act is designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy