

Resolving HEERF Business Rules

HEERF-185

Definition: The sum of degree-/certificate-seeking students across enrollment status categories does not equal the total number of degree-/certificate-seeking students for one or more category.

Portal Pages: 14 (Degree-/Certificate-Seeking Students by Academic Level)

15 (Degree-/Certificate-Seeking Students by Race)

16 (Degree-/Certificate-Seeking Students by Gender/Age)

* HEERF-185 only looks at the [2021](#) data on these pages

Resolution: Pages 14, 15, and 16 each contain a table regarding 2021 degree-seeking students. Within each row of these tables, the grantee enters a total number in column 1. Columns 2, 3, and 4 break that total out into different statuses: Completed program, still enrolled, withdrew.

This business rule checks *each row* individually in the three tables for accurate data. The rule ensures that the sum of the subcategories in columns 2, 3, and 4 equals the total in column 1.

Below is an example from the [Academic Level](#) table on Page 14. You should also check the [Race](#) table on Page 15 and the [Gender/Age](#) table on Page 16 for the same logic.

Calendar year 2021: Enrollment status for all degree/certificate seeking students

	Total Count	Broken Out by Status			
	Number of degree/certificate seeking students	Number of degree/certificate seeking students who completed a program at your institution during the reporting period	Number of degree/certificate seeking students who did not complete during the reporting period but were still enrolled at your institution (i.e., last enrollment record at the end of the reporting period is not a withdraw record)	Number of degree/certificate seeking students who did not complete and withdrew from your institution (i.e., no completion record during the reporting period and the last enrollment record at the end of the reporting period is a withdraw record)	
a) Complete the following table for the applicable reporting period Academic level UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS <small>For students in both undergraduate and graduate categories, classify as a graduate student</small>	Number 3	Number 1	Number 1	Number 1	Good!
Academic level GRADUATE STUDENTS <small>For students in both undergraduate and graduate categories, classify as a graduate student</small>	Number 5	Number 3	Number 2	Number 0	
Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⓘ PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <small>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</small>	Number 4	Number 0	Number 0	Number 1	Error!



Regardless of whether the data causing the error are on Page 14, 15, or 16, the error message always appears on Page 14.

Once you find one row with an error, do not assume the rest of the rows are accurate; continue checking each row in each 2021 table on Pages 14, 15, and 16.

HEERF-186

Definition: The total number of degree-/certificate-seeking students exceeds the total number of students enrolled for one or more categories.

Resolution: Data entered for **each of the below student categories** must satisfy the business rule.

For each category, locate the number of enrolled students reported on either Page 6 (Academic Level), 10 (Race), or 11 (Gender/Age). Then, locate the corresponding number of degree-/certificate-seeking students reported on either Page 14 (Academic Level), 15 (Race), or 16 (Gender/Age). Ensure that the data are entered correctly and that **the number of degree-/certificate-seeking students on Page 14, 15, or 16 is less than or equal to the corresponding number of enrolled students on Page 6, 10, or 11.**

In all student categories: # Degree-/Certificate-Seeking must be < or = # Enrolled

By Academic Level Enrolled: Page 6 Degree-Seeking: Page 14*	By Race/Ethnicity Enrolled: Page 10 Degree-Seeking: Page 15*	By Age or Gender Enrolled: Page 11 Degree-Seeking: Page 16*
Undergraduate Graduate Undergraduate Pell Undergraduate Non-Pell Part-time Full-time	American Indian or Alaska Native Asian Black or African American Hispanic/Latino Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White Two or more races Race/ethnicity is unknown Nonresident alien	Women Men Ages 25 and older Ages 24 and younger Age not available

* HEERF-186 uses only **2021** data from Pages 14, 15, 16



Regardless of which page(s) contain the data causing the error, the error message will always appear on Page 14.

Once you find one error with a student category, do not assume the rest of the data are accurate; continue checking numbers for each student category to ensure there are no additional errors.

Student counts by academic level/Pell grant status/enrollment intensity (e.g., undergraduate students, part-time students) are reported in aggregate on Page 14 (degree-seeking) but are split into more descriptive categories on Page 6 (enrolled). Within each of the enrollment statuses listed above, you will need to add together multiple values from Page 6 in order to compare them to the value on Page 14.

See following pages for examples.

HEERF-186 Example 1: Comparing Counts by Enrollment Status

Comparing academic level, Pell grant status, and enrollment intensity categories will require that you add together multiple values from **Page 6**. Below are sample data from **Pages 6 and 14**. Note that **Page 6** contains **enrolled** counts; **Page 14** contains **degree-/certificate-seeking** counts.

Page 6 - Emergency Grants - Counts, Student, and Institution Funds

8) What percentage of students received emergency grants and how much did students receive in emergency grants by fund type and student type?
Note: In early 2022, for the second annual report covering January 1, 2021-December 31, 2021, institutions have the option of taking more time to submit answers to questions marked with a clock symbol ⌚. Institutions can also take more time to submit answers to questions marked with a clock symbol ⌚ in early 2022 as part of the second annual report (in alignment with the reporting schedule at the beginning of this data collection form) OR in early 2023 along with reporting the third annual report.

a) Complete the following table:
When IPEDS definitions apply (categories labeled with "(IPEDS categories)" in the form), use the same category for each student that is used to report to IPEDS. For the second and third annual HEERF reports (reporting on calendar year 2022 in early 2022 and early 2023 respectively), if a student is not reported to IPEDS, for example because they are not enrolled for credit in courses that could lead to an award, then report that student under "Students not reported to IPEDS". In the fourth, and fifth annual HEERF reports "Students not categorized in IPEDS" will no longer be an option in the form and institutions will need to track all of their students (regardless of if they would be included in IPEDS) and categorize them using the IPEDS classification methodology.

Emergency Financial Aid Grants Awarded to Students: Report only disbursements related to Emergency Financial Aid Grants including using those grants to satisfy outstanding account balances. Disbursements unrelated to Emergency Financial Aid Grants should not be included in the reported expenditures

	Undergraduate ₅ full-time ₇ Pell grant recipients ₈	Undergraduate ₅ full-time ₇ Non- Pell grant recipients ₉	Undergraduate ₅ part-time Pell grant recipients	Undergraduate ₅ part-time Non- Pell grant recipients	Graduate full- time recipients	Graduate part- time recipients
Number of Students How many students were enrolled? (unduplicated count for the reporting period)	Number 2	Number 2	Number 2	Number 2	Number 3	Number 3

Undergraduate Students:
10 deg/cert seeking > 8 enrolled
Error!

Graduate Students:
5 deg/cert seeking < 6 enrolled
Good!

Page 14 - Enrollment - Academic

10) Provide the unduplicated count of students who were enrolled at least once as a degree/certificate-seeking student during the reporting period. The three statuses (completed, withdrawn, and still enrolled) need to be reported separately.

Calendar year 2021: Enrollment status for all degree/certificate seeking

a) Complete the following table for the applicable reporting period:

	Number of degree/certificate seeking students
Academic level UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS <small>For students in both undergraduate and graduate categories, classify as a graduate student</small>	Number 10
Academic level GRADUATE STUDENTS <small>For students in both undergraduate and graduate categories, classify as a graduate student</small>	Number 5
Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⌚ PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <small>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</small>	Number 4

The following categories not illustrated as above will also require adding values on **Page 6** to compare to **Page 14**. Below, the relevant values that will need to be compared are highlighted for the remaining categories:

Page 6: Enrollment Counts

Undergraduate Pell Grant Recipients

	Undergraduate ₆ full-time ₇ Pell grant recipients ₈	Undergraduate ₆ full-time ₇ Non-Pell grant recipients ₉	Undergraduate ₆ part-time Pell grant recipients	Undergraduate ₆ part-time Non-Pell grant recipients	Graduate full-time recipients	Graduate part-time recipients
Number of Students How many students were enrolled? (unduplicated count for the reporting period)	Number 15	Number 10	Number 10	Number 10	Number 20	Number 20

Undergraduate Non-Pell Grant Recipients

	Undergraduate ₆ full-time ₇ Pell grant recipients ₈	Undergraduate ₆ full-time ₇ Non-Pell grant recipients ₉	Undergraduate ₆ part-time Pell grant recipients	Undergraduate ₆ part-time Non-Pell grant recipients	Graduate full-time recipients	Graduate part-time recipients
Number of Students How many students were enrolled? (unduplicated count for the reporting period)	Number 15	Number 10	Number 10	Number 10	Number 20	Number 20

Part-Time Students

	Undergraduate ₆ full-time ₇ Pell grant recipients ₈	Undergraduate ₆ full-time ₇ Non-Pell grant recipients ₉	Undergraduate ₆ part-time Pell grant recipients	Undergraduate ₆ part-time Non-Pell grant recipients	Graduate full-time recipients	Graduate part-time recipients
Number of Students How many students were enrolled? (unduplicated count for the reporting period)	Number 15	Number 10	Number 10	Number 10	Number 20	Number 20

Full-Time Students

	Undergraduate ₆ full-time ₇ Pell grant recipients ₈	Undergraduate ₆ full-time ₇ Non-Pell grant recipients ₉	Undergraduate ₆ part-time Pell grant recipients	Undergraduate ₆ part-time Non-Pell grant recipients	Graduate full-time recipients	Graduate part-time recipients
Number of Students How many students were enrolled? (unduplicated count for the reporting period)	Number 15	Number 10	Number 10	Number 10	Number 20	Number 20

Page 14: Degree-/Certificate-Seeking Counts

Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⓘ PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <i>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</i>	Number 20
Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⓘ NON-PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <i>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</i>	Number 15
Enrollment intensity ⓘ PART-TIME <i>For students who had multiple enrollment intensities, classify as full-time</i>	Number 25
Enrollment intensity ⓘ FULL-TIME <i>For students who had multiple enrollment intensities, classify as full-time</i>	Number 30

Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⓘ PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <i>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</i>	Number 20
Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⓘ NON-PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <i>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</i>	Number 15
Enrollment intensity ⓘ PART-TIME <i>For students who had multiple enrollment intensities, classify as full-time</i>	Number 25
Enrollment intensity ⓘ FULL-TIME <i>For students who had multiple enrollment intensities, classify as full-time</i>	Number 30

Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⓘ PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <i>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</i>	Number 20
Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⓘ NON-PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <i>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</i>	Number 15
Enrollment intensity ⓘ PART-TIME <i>For students who had multiple enrollment intensities, classify as full-time</i>	Number 25
Enrollment intensity ⓘ FULL-TIME <i>For students who had multiple enrollment intensities, classify as full-time</i>	Number 30

Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⓘ PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <i>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</i>	Number 20
Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⓘ NON-PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <i>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</i>	Number 15
Enrollment intensity ⓘ PART-TIME <i>For students who had multiple enrollment intensities, classify as full-time</i>	Number 25
Enrollment intensity ⓘ FULL-TIME <i>For students who had multiple enrollment intensities, classify as full-time</i>	Number 30

HEERF-186 Example 2: Comparing Counts by Race/Ethnicity

Comparing counts by race/ethnicity, gender, and age all involve one-to-one comparisons. Race/ethnicity counts are found on **Pages 10 and 15**.

Page 10 - Emergency Grants - Race/Ethnicity

8) What percentage of students received emergency grants and how much did students receive?
 Note: In early 2022, for the second annual report covering January 1, 2021-December 31, 2021, institutions have the option to report questions marked with a clock symbol ⌚ in early 2022 as part of the second annual report (in alignment with the reporting schedule).

d) ⌚ What number of students were enrolled, what number received emergency grants, and how much did students receive?

Race/Ethnicity (IPEDS categories)	Enrolled student count (unduplicated)
American Indian or Alaska Native	Count 20
Asian	Count 20
Black or African American	Count 20

Page 15 - Enrollment - Race

10) Provide the unduplicated count of students who were enrolled at least once as a degree/certificate seeking student during the reporting period. The three statuses (completed, withdrawn, and still enrolled) need to add up to the total number of students who were enrolled at least once as a degree/certificate seeking student during the reporting period.

Calendar year 2021: Enrollment status for all degree/certificate seeking students

a) Complete the following table for the applicable reporting period

Race/ethnicity (IPEDS categories)	Number of degree/certificate seeking students
AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE	Number 15
ASIAN	Number 20
BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN	Number 25

AI/AN: 15 deg/cert seeking < 20 enrolled: Good!
 Asian: 20 deg/cert seeking = 20 enrolled: Good!

Black or African American: 25 deg/cert seeking > 20 enrolled: Error!

HEERF-186 Example 3: Comparing Counts by Gender

Note that the order that genders are listed is different on **Page 11** than **Page 16**.

Page 11 - Emergency Grants - Gender and Age

8) What percentage of students received emergency grants and how much did students receive?
 Note: In early 2022, for the second annual report covering January 1, 2021-December 31, 2021, institutions have the option to report questions marked with a clock symbol ⌚ in early 2022 as part of the second annual report (in alignment with the reporting schedule).

e) ⌚ What number of students were enrolled, what number received emergency grants, and how much did students receive?

Gender/Age (IPEDS categories)	Enrolled student count (unduplicated)
Men	Count 10
Women	Count 10

Page 16 - Enrollment - Gender/Age

10) Provide the unduplicated count of students who were enrolled at least once as a degree/certificate seeking student during the reporting period. The three statuses (completed, withdrawn, and still enrolled) need to add up to the total number of students who were enrolled at least once as a degree/certificate seeking student during the reporting period.

Calendar year 2021: Enrollment status for all degree/certificate seeking students

a) Complete the following table for the applicable reporting period

Gender (IPEDS categories)	Number of degree/certificate seeking students
WOMEN	Number 9
MEN	Number 11

Women:
 9 deg/cert seeking < 10 enrolled
 Good!

Men:
 11 deg/cert seeking > 10 enrolled
 Error!

HEERF-188

Definition: The sum of students by enrollment status for Calendar Year 2020 does not equal the number of degree-/certificate-seeking students for one or more categories.

Portal Pages: 14 (Degree-/Certificate-Seeking Students by Academic Level)

15 (Degree-/Certificate-Seeking Students by Race)

16 (Degree-/Certificate-Seeking Students by Gender/Age)

* HEERF-188 only looks at the 2020 data on these pages

Resolution: Pages 14, 15, and 16 each contain a table regarding 2020 degree-seeking students. Within each row of these tables, the grantee enters a total number in column 1. Columns 2, 3, and 4 break that total out into different statuses: Completed program, still enrolled, withdrew.

This business rule checks *each row* individually in the three tables for accurate data. The rule ensures that the sum of the subcategories in columns 2, 3, and 4 equals the total in column 1.

Below is an example from the Academic Level table on Page 14. You should also check the Race table on Page 15 and the Gender/Age table on Page 16 for the same logic.

Calendar year 2020: Enrollment status for all degree/certificate seeking students ⓘ

	Total Count	Broken Out by Status			
	Number of degree/certificate seeking students enrolled during the calendar year	Number of degree/certificate seeking students who completed a program at your institution during the calendar year	Number of degree/certificate seeking students who did not complete calendar year but were still enrolled at your institution (i.e., last enrollment record at the end of the calendar year is not a withdraw record)	Number of degree/certificate seeking students who did not complete calendar year and withdrew from your institution (i.e., no completion record and the last enrollment record at the end of the calendar year is a withdraw record)	
Academic level ⓘ UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS <small>For students in both undergraduate and graduate categories, classify as a graduate student</small>	Number 10 =	Number 5 +	Number 4 +	Number 1	Good!
Academic level ⓘ GRADUATE STUDENTS <small>For students in both undergraduate and graduate categories, classify as a graduate student</small>	Number 6	Number 2	Number 2	Number 2	
Pell grant status (undergraduates only) ⓘ PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <small>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any time within the applicable reporting period</small>	Number 3 ≠	Number 2 +	Number 2 +	Number 7	Error!



This business rule functions exactly the same as HEERF-185, except that it checks values in the 2020 tables.

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HEERF-190

Definition: The sum of students by enrollment status for Calendar Year 2019 does not equal the number of degree-/certificate-seeking students for one or more categories.

Portal Pages: 14 (Degree-/Certificate-Seeking Students by Academic Level)

15 (Degree-/Certificate-Seeking Students by Race)

16 (Degree-/Certificate-Seeking Students by Gender/Age)

* HEERF-190 only looks at the [2019](#) data on these pages

Resolution: Pages 14, 15, and 16 each contain a table regarding 2019 degree-seeking students. Within each row of these tables, the grantee enters a total number in column 1. Columns 2, 3, and 4 break that total out into different statuses: Completed program, still enrolled, withdrew.

This business rule checks *each row* individually in the three tables for accurate data. The rule ensures that the sum of the subcategories in columns 2, 3, and 4 equals the total in column 1.

Below is an example from the [Academic Level](#) table on Page 14. You should also check the [Race](#) table on Page 15 and the [Gender/Age](#) table on Page 16 for the same logic.

Calendar year 2019: Enrollment status for all degree/certificate seeking students

Complete the following table
This table provides a historical comparison point for the current reporting period and since it is historical information it does not have to be updated on an annual basis. Institutions should submit responses in the early 2022 data collection process. However, if institutions need more time, they can submit responses in the early 2023 data collection process.

	Total Count	Broken Out by Status			
	Number of degree/certificate seeking students enrolled during the calendar year	Number of degree/certificate seeking students who completed a program at your institution during the calendar year	Number of degree/certificate seeking students who did not complete calendar year but were still enrolled at your institution (i.e., last enrollment record at the end of the calendar year is not a withdraw record)	Number of degree/certificate seeking students who did not complete calendar year and withdrew from your institution (i.e., no completion record and the last enrollment record at the end of the calendar year is a withdraw record)	
Academic level UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS <small>For students in both undergraduate and graduate categories, classify as a graduate student</small>	Number 9 =	Number 3 +	Number 3 +	Number 3	Good!
Academic level GRADUATE STUDENTS <small>For students in both undergraduate and graduate categories, classify as a graduate student</small>	Number 4	Number 2	Number 1	Number 1	
Pell grant status (undergraduates only) PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS <small>Designate the student as a Pell grant recipient if the student was a Pell grant recipient at any</small>	Number 30 ≠	Number 10 +	Number 10 +	Number 15	Error!



This business rule functions exactly the same as HEERF-185 and HEERF-188, except that it checks values in the [2019](#) tables.

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