



DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (ED)

FOR FY 2026, THE U OF I SYSTEM ENCOURAGES CONGRESS TO SUPPORT THE SUMS NECESSARY TO REACH THE **MAXIMUM PELL GRANT AWARD OF \$7,595, TRIO AT \$1.2 BILLION, INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AT \$91 MILLION & THE INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION SCIENCES AT \$853 MILLION.**

MAX. PELL GRANT AWARD

(includes mandatory/discretionary)

FY2025 = \$7,395

FY2024 = \$7,395

FY2023 = \$7,395

TRIO

FY2025 = \$1.191B

FY2024 = \$1.191B

FY2023 = \$1.191B

INTL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

FY2025 = \$85.7M

FY2024 = \$85.7M

FY2023 = \$85.7M

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FY2025 = \$793.1M

FY2024 = \$793.1M

FY2023 = \$807.6M

Appropriations Bill: Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies

Agency: U.S. Department of Education

PELL GRANTS

Federal student aid expands access for the 97,700 students attending the U of I System. Along with the Direct Loan program, the most important piece of federal aid is the Pell Grant, which provides critical financial aid to low-income students. The U of I System is also doing its part to make attendance more affordable. As part of that commitment, we provided \$298M in undergraduate aid for the current year, an increase of 5.2 percent over previous year, and a figure that has grown by \$104M over the past 10 years.

Pell Disbursements, Recipients (AY2023 - 2024)

Campus	Pell Amount Disbursed	Number of Pell Recipients
Urbana-Champaign	\$49.8M	8,504
Chicago	\$61.6M	11,321
Springfield	\$4.9M	1,003
U of I System	\$116.3M	20,828

TRIO

The U of I System proudly educates many low-income, first-generation students and fully supports ED's TRIO programs, which motivate and support students from disadvantaged backgrounds in their pursuit of a college degree. The system has six TRIO-funded programs that serve approximately 1,116 students.

underwritten by ED, and support graduate and undergraduate language study in combination with area and global studies, as well as related professional studies.

The Fulbright-Hays program supports international education, research, outreach, and foreign language studies, especially in the less commonly taught languages of U.S. strategic interest.

TITLE VI INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

ED funds important international and foreign language teaching, research, and outreach through the Title VI International and Foreign Language Education programs. UIUC operates six National Resource Centers (NRC): Center for African Studies; Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies; Center for Middle Eastern Studies; Center for Global Studies; European Union Center; and Russian, East European and Eurasian Center. These centers, which have more than 600 faculty affiliates, provide students with specialized language skills, support area/international studies teaching and research, and provide professional and curriculum development for K-14, graduate, and postsecondary educators. Our NRCs also administer Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships, which are

TITLE III (INSTITUTIONAL AID)/TITLE V (DEVELOPING INSTITUTIONS)

UIC is designated by ED as an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI). Since 2010, UIC has received four grants totalling approximately \$7.1M that make up its [AANAPISI Initiative](#), which supports the recruitment, retention, and graduation of first-generation, low-income AAPI students at UIC.

OFFICE OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

In 2020, educators at UIC [received](#) a five-year, \$2.5M grant from ED to develop a program that will prepare individuals with intellectual disabilities for competitive employment.