

**Forgivable Education Loans for Service
Annual Report for 2019-2020
State Education Assistance Authority
October 1, 2020**

The North Carolina General Assembly created the Forgivable Education Loans for Service (FELS) program in 2011 to provide financial assistance in the form of forgivable loans to qualified students who are committed to working in North Carolina in order to respond to critical employment shortages.

The annual appropriation for the 2019-20 year was \$16,594,166. A total of \$18,570,249 was loaned to 1,919 students under the FELS program.

2019-20 Student Count and Funds by Category

<u>Field</u>	<u>Students</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Allied Health	732	\$7,497,750
Medical	428	\$5,928,999
Nursing	611	\$4,162,250
Education	148	\$981,250
Total	1,919	\$18,570,249

2019-20 Student Count and Funds by Field of Study

Field	Students	Amount
Allied Health-Chiropractic Care	3	\$42,000
Allied Health-Clinical Laboratory Sciences	9	\$54,250
Allied Health-Dental Hygiene	7	\$15,000
Allied Health-Emergency Medical Science	9	\$61,000
Allied Health-Imaging	3	\$14,000
Allied Health-Medical Technology	1	\$7,000
Allied Health-Occupational Therapy	43	\$387,500
Allied Health-Occupational Therapy Assistant	13	\$24,750
Allied Health-Optometry	46	\$637,000
Allied Health-Pharmacy	119	\$1,652,000
Allied Health-Physical Therapy	119	\$1,631,000
Allied Health-Physical Therapy Assistant	2	\$2,250
Allied Health-Physician Assistant	165	\$1,417,500
Allied Health-Radiography	8	\$18,000
Allied Health-Radiology Technician	3	\$16,500
Allied Health-Social Work	50	\$407,000
Allied Health-Sonography	0	\$0
Allied Health-Speech-Language Pathology	58	\$565,000
Counseling-Addiction (Substance Abuse) Counseling	5	\$35,000
Counseling-Clinical Mental Health Counseling	64	\$464,500
Counseling-Counseling	1	\$14,000
Counseling-Couple and Family Counseling	0	\$0
Counseling-Rehabilitation and Career Counseling	4	\$32,500
Counseling-School Counseling	0	\$0
Education (Teaching)-Biology	5	\$30,000
Education (Teaching)-Chemistry	0	\$0
Education (Teaching)-Comprehensive Science	3	\$9,750
Education (Teaching)-English as a Second Language	8	\$37,500
Education (Teaching)-Foreign Language	4	\$31,000
Education (Teaching)-Math	21	\$143,500
Education (Teaching)-Middle Grades	30	\$182,500
Education (Teaching)-Science	3	\$14,000
Education (Teaching)-Special Education	46	\$270,000
Education (Teaching)-School Psychology	28	\$263,000
Medical-Dentistry (DDS)	208	\$2,898,000
Medical-Dentistry (DMD)	53	\$734,999
Medical-Medical Doctor (MD)	142	\$1,946,000
Medical-Osteopathy (DO)	22	\$308,000
Medical-Podiatry (DPM)	1	\$14,000
Medical-Psychology (PhD)	1	\$14,000
Nursing-Clinical Nurse Specialist	10	\$79,000
Nursing-Nurse	266	\$964,250
Nursing-Nurse Anesthesia	61	\$721,000
Nursing-Nurse Education	74	\$448,500
Nursing-Nurse Practitioner	200	\$1,958,500
Nursing-Nurse Midwifery	1	\$5,000
Total	1,919	\$18,570,249