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Auditor of State Rob Sand today released the University of Northern Iowa's Single Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2022. The report covers the expenditure of federal funds by the University and includes a review of internal controls and compliance with federal laws and regulations.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

The University of Northern Iowa expended approximately \$68.8 million of federal funds in fiscal year 2022, a decrease of approximately \$14.3 million, or 17.2% from the prior year.

Funding directly related to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) and American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) accounted for approximately \$13.6 million, a decrease of approximately \$9.0 million from the prior year. Expenditures directly related to the CARES and ARPA programs included \$11.9 million for the Educational Stabilization Fund and approximately \$1.5 million for the Shuttered Venue Operations Grant Program

Expenditures for the Student Financial Aid cluster totaled approximately \$50.1 million, a decrease of approximately \$5.3 million from the prior year. Expenditures included \$33.4 million for Federal Direct Student Loans and \$9.7 million for the Federal Pell Grant Program.

Expenditures for the TRIO cluster totaled approximately \$1.5 million, an increase of approximately \$44,000 over the prior year. Expenditures for AmeriCorps totaled approximately \$1.0 million, an increase of approximately \$60,000 over the prior year.

AUDIT FINDINGS:

The report disclosed no findings pertaining to the federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022.

A copy of the report is available for review on the Auditor of State's website at [Audit Reports – Auditor of State](#).

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**UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA
SINGLE AUDIT REPORT**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

JUNE 30, 2022

**ENTITY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
EIN-42-6004333**

University of Northern Iowa

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June 20, 2023

To the Members of the Board of Regents, State of Iowa:

We are pleased to submit the Single Audit Report for the University of Northern Iowa for the year ended June 30, 2022. The audit of compliance was conducted in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and Title 2, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance).

The Single Audit Report reflects federal expenditures of approximately \$68.8 million. There were no instances of noncompliance or material weaknesses in internal control relating to major programs. The Single Audit Report includes an unmodified opinion on the University's compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major federal programs.

The University of Northern Iowa's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2022 has been issued separately by the University. In addition, in accordance with Government Auditing Standards, our report on the University of Northern Iowa's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters was issued under separate cover. Copies of these reports are available for review on the Auditor of State's web site at [Audit Reports – Auditor of State](#).

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by the staff of the University during the course of our audit of compliance. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Sand".

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Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance
for Each Major Federal Program, Report on Internal Control over Compliance
and Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
Required by the Uniform Guidance

To the Members of the Board of Regents, State of Iowa:

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the University of Northern Iowa's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the University's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022. The University of Northern Iowa's major federal programs are identified in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, the University of Northern Iowa complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the audit requirements of Title 2, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the University of Northern Iowa and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the University's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the University's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the University's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence judgement made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the University's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the University's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing other such procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the University's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the University's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

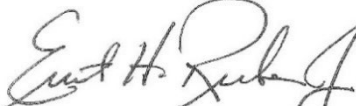
A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Report on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities, and the fiduciary activities of University of Northern Iowa as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the University's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated December 20, 2022, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our report includes emphasis of matters relating to restatements of opening net position for the implementation of GASB 87, Leases. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the University of Northern Iowa Foundation. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of compliance for each major federal program and internal control over compliance. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the University's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.


Ernest H. Ruben, Jr., CPA
Deputy Auditor of State

June 20, 2023, except for our report on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, for which the date is December 20, 2022

University of Northern Iowa

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

University of Northern Iowa
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
By Federal Department
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

AL Number	Federal Department / Program Name	Federal Expenditures/ Disbursements/ Issuances	Total by AL Number/Cluster
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>			
10.069	Conservation Reserve Program	\$ 102,836 **	102,836
10.170	Specialty Crop Block Grant Program - Farm Bill (Passed through Iowa Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship; SCBG142812)	3,146	3,146
10.215	Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education	37,123	37,123
10.310	Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI)(Passed through Iowa State University; 020893A)	8,995 **	8,995
10.351	Rural Business Development Grant	37,350	37,350
10.558	Child and Adult Care Food Program (Passed through Iowa Department of Education; 079997)	9,938	9,938
10.575	Farm to School Grant Program	11,175	11,175
10.762	Solid Waste Management Grants	75,988	75,988
	Total U.S. Department of Agriculture	286,551	286,551
<u>U.S. Department of Commerce</u>			
11.303	Economic Development Technical Assistance	128,105	128,105
11.307	Economic Adjustment Assistance	154,606	154,606
	Total U.S. Department of Commerce	282,711	282,711
<u>U.S. Department of Defense</u>			
12.RD	Unknown Title	201	201
12.556	Competitive Grants: Promoting K-12 Student Achievement at Military-Connected Schools	181,684	181,684
	Total U.S. Department of Defense	181,885	181,885
<u>U.S. Department of Interior</u>			
15.634	State Wildlife Grants (Passed through Iowa Department of Natural Resources; 22CRDWBKINK0001)	17,927 **	17,927
15.808	U.S. Geological Survey Research and Data Collection	26,322 **	26,322
	Total U.S. Department of Interior	44,249	44,249
<u>U.S. Department of Justice</u>			
16.839	STOP School Violence (Passed through Iowa Department of Education; FY22)	79,178	79,178
	Total U.S. Department of Justice	79,178	79,178
<u>U.S. Department of Transportation</u>			
20.205	Highway Planning and Construction(Passed through Iowa Department of Transportation; TAPR000T1128T00, 19TAP101A)	576,788	576,788
	Total U.S. Department of Transportation	576,788	576,788
<u>U.S. Department of Treasury</u>			
21.019	COVID-19, Coronavirus Relief Fund (Passed through Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs; 20221011465)	10,000	10,000
21.027	COVID-19, Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Passed through Iowa Workforce Development; FY22)	50,572	50,572
	Total U.S. Department of Treasury	60,572	60,572

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AL Number	Federal Department / Program Name	Federal Expenditures/ Disbursements/ Issuances	Total by AL Number/Cluster
<u>National Aeronautics and Space Administration</u>			
43.008	Office of Stem Engagement (OSTEM) (Passed through Iowa State University; 02240700701, 02240700702, 021068B)	87,933 **	
43.008	Office of Stem Engagement (OSTEM) (Passed through Iowa State University; 02240700703)	57	87,990
	Total National Aeronautics and Space Administration	<u>87,990</u>	<u>87,990</u>
<u>National Endowment for the Arts and the Humanities</u>			
45.025	COVID-19, Promotion of the Arts Partnership Agreements (Passed through Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs; 20221011307)	9,324	9,324
45.129	Promotion of the Humanities Federal/State Partnership	5,053	5,053
45.149	Promotion of the Humanities Division of Preservation and Access(Passed through Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs; 20221111486)	1,403	1,403
45.162	Promotion of the Humanities Teaching and Learning Resources and Curriculum Development	8,782	8,782
	Total National Endowment for the Arts and the Humanities	<u>24,562</u>	<u>24,562</u>
<u>National Science Foundation</u>			
47.049	Mathematical and Physical Sciences	53,006 **	53,006
47.050	Geosciences (\$3,633 provided to subrecipients)	204,242 **	
47.050	Geosciences	5,006	
47.050	Geosciences (Passed through Iowa State University; 021810B)	101,589 **	310,837
47.074	Biological Sciences	20,559 **	20,559
47.075	Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences	13,364 **	13,364
47.076	Education and Human Resources	3,122 **	
47.076	Education and Human Resources	2,816	
47.076	Education and Human Resources (Passed through Iowa State University; 4201809M)	43,009	48,947
47.078	Polar Programs	50,631 **	
47.078	Polar Programs	29,961	80,592
47.083	Integrative Activities	69,122 **	69,122
	Total National Science Foundation	<u>596,427</u>	<u>596,427</u>
<u>U.S. Small Business Administration</u>			
59.037	Small Business Development Centers (Passed through Iowa State Universities; 023992L)	90,767	90,767
59.075	COVID-19, Shuttered Venue Operations Grant Program	1,467,509	1,467,509
	Total U.S. Small Business Administration	<u>1,558,276</u>	<u>1,558,276</u>
<u>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</u>			
66.951	Environmental Education Grants	2,480	2,480
	Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	<u>2,480</u>	<u>2,480</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Energy</u>			
81.041	State Energy Program (Passed through Iowa Economic Development Authority; 19ARRA005, 19ARRA009, 21ARRA001)	229,234	229,234
81.049	Office of Science Financial Assistance Program	90,354 **	90,354
	Total U.S. Department of Energy	<u>319,588</u>	<u>319,588</u>

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By Federal Department
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

AL Number	Federal Department / Program Name	Federal Expenditures/ Disbursements/ Issuances	Total by AL Number/Cluster
<u>U.S. Department of Education</u>			
84.004	Civil Rights Training and Advisory Services (also known as Equity Assistance Centers)	27,780	27,780
84.007	Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants	644,443 *	644,443
84.033	Federal Work-Study Programs	365,071 *	365,071
84.038	Federal Perkins Loan Programs_Federal Capital Contributions	4,661,902 *	4,661,902
84.063	Federal Pell Grant Program	9,653,687 *	9,653,687
84.268	Federal Direct Student Loans	33,353,995 *	33,353,995
84.379	Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grants (TEACH Grants)	1,391,336 *	1,391,336
84.425C	COVID-19, Education Stabilization Fund (Passed through Iowa Department of Education; 1563430001)	123,031	123,031
84.425E	COVID-19, Education Stabilization Fund	10,759,830	10,759,830
84.425F	COVID-19, Education Stabilization Fund	1,000,000	1,000,000
<u>Trio Cluster:</u>			
84.044	TRIO Talent Search	695,963	
84.047	TRIO Upward Bound	414,414	
84.066	TRIO Educational Opportunity Centers	386,886	1,497,263
	Total U.S. Department of Education	63,478,338	63,478,338
<u>Corporation for National and Community Services</u>			
94.006	AmeriCorps (Passed through Iowa Economic Development Authority; 20AC05, 20FX01)	1,009,293	1,009,293
94.013	Volunteers in Service to America	40,267	40,267
	Total Corporation for National and Community Services	1,049,560	1,049,560
<u>U.S. Department of Homeland Security</u>			
97.036	COVID-19, Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)(Passed through Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management; 4483)	212,245	212,245
	Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security	212,245	212,245
	Total Federal Financial Assistance	<u>\$ 68,841,400</u>	<u>\$ 68,841,400</u>
*	Total for Student Financial Assistance Cluster \$50,070,434		
**	Total for Research and Development Cluster \$850,002		

University of Northern Iowa

Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

(1) Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The reporting entity includes all University of Northern Iowa departments and other entities included in the University's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, except for the University of Northern Iowa Foundation which is a discretely presented component unit.

B. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the University of Northern Iowa under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2022. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Programs listed in the Assistance Listing (AL) are so identified.

Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the University of Northern Iowa, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the University of Northern Iowa.

Type A programs, as defined by Uniform Guidance, are those programs for the University of Northern Iowa which exceeded \$750,000 in federal awards expended during the year ended June 30, 2022.

C. Basis of Accounting

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

D. Indirect Cost Rate

The University of Northern Iowa uses a federally negotiated indirect cost rate.

E. Grantees

Assistance received directly from the federal government is shown by the grantee receiving the funds. Assistance received from other entities is so noted.

(2) Federally Funded Loan Programs

Loan balances, including American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) related balances, of federally funded loan programs at June 30, 2022 were as follows:

AL No.	June 30, 2022	Outstanding Loans
84.038	Perkins Loan Program Federal Capital Contributions	\$ 3,011,890

University of Northern Iowa
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Part I: Summary of the Independent Auditor's Results:

- (a) Unmodified opinions were issued on the financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
 - (b) The audit of the financial statements did not disclose any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting.
 - (c) The audit did not disclose any non-compliance which is material to the financial statements.
 - (d) No material weaknesses in internal control over the major program were noted.
 - (e) An unmodified opinion was issued on compliance with requirements applicable to each major program.
 - (f) The audit did not disclose audit findings which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, Section 200.516.
 - (g) The major programs were as follows:
 - Assistance Listing Number 59.075 – COVID–19, Shuttered Venue Operators Grant Program
 - Assistance Listing Number 84.425 – COVID–19, Education Stabilization Fund
 - Assistance Listing Number 94.006 – AmeriCorps
- Clustered Programs:
- Student Financial Aid:
- See * on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
- TRIO:
- Assistance Listing Number 84.044 – TRIO – Talent Search
 - Assistance Listing Number 84.047 – TRIO – Upward Bound
 - Assistance Listing Number 84.066 – TRIO – Educational Opportunity Centers
- Research and Development Cluster:
- See ** on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
- (h) The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs was \$750,000.
 - (i) The University of Northern Iowa did not qualify as a low-risk auditee.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Part II: Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

Reported under separate cover.

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

University of Northern Iowa
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Part III: Findings and Questioned Costs For Federal Awards:

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

No material weaknesses in internal control over the major programs were noted.

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