



STATE OF ILLINOIS
**OFFICE OF THE
 AUDITOR GENERAL**

Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

CHICAGO STATE UNIVERSITY

Single Audit
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Release Date: March 28, 2024

FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 6	AGING SCHEDULE OF REPEATED FINDINGS						
	New	Repeat	Total	Repeated Since	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Category 1:	1	0	1	2022		23-05	
Category 2:	2	3	5	2020		23-01, 23-02	
Category 3:	0	0	0				
TOTAL	3	3	6				
FINDINGS LAST AUDIT: 6							

INTRODUCTION

This digest covers the Chicago State University’s (University) Single Audit for the year ended June 30, 2023. A separate digest covering the University’s Financial Audit was separately released on February 22, 2024. A separate digest covering the Compliance Examination will be released at a later date. In total, this digest contains six findings, three of which were reported in the financial audit.

SYNOPSIS

- (23-05) The University did not notify the students and parents upon disbursement of grant funds and loans.

Category 1: Findings that are **material weaknesses** in internal control and/or a **qualification** on compliance with State laws and regulations (material noncompliance).
Category 2: Findings that are **significant deficiencies** in internal control and **noncompliance** with State laws and regulations.
Category 3: Findings that have **no internal control issues but are in noncompliance** with State laws and regulations.

**FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND
RECOMMENDATIONS**

**FAILURE TO NOTIFY STUDENTS AND PARENTS
UPON DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS**

The Chicago State University (University) did not notify the students and parents upon disbursement of grant funds and loans.

TEACH grant recipients were not notified

During testing of five students, who received Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grants (TEACH) totaling \$14,145, we noted five (100%) students were not notified by the University indicating the funds were credited to the students' accounts. The sample methods used in performing this testing were not statistically valid.

Federal Direct Loan recipients were not notified

In addition, during testing of 40 students, who received Federal Direct Student Loans totaling \$700,656, we noted 38 (95%) students with grant disbursements totaling \$695,212 were not notified by the University indicating the funds were credited to the students' accounts. The sample methods used in performing this testing were not statistically valid. (Finding 5, pages 22-23)

University agreed with the auditors

We recommended the University strengthen controls to ensure timely notification is sent to students and parents upon disbursement of grant funds and loans.

The University agreed with the recommendation and stated the University immediately implemented the corrective action plan.

OTHER FINDINGS

The remaining findings pertain to inadequate internal controls over census data, weaknesses over computer security, inadequate controls to ensure compliance with the Illinois Pension Code, failure to provide uniform resource locator to the Department of Education, and failure to comply with established procurement procedures. We will review the University's progress towards the implementation of our recommendations in our next Single Audit.

AUDITOR'S OPINIONS

The financial audit report was issued separately. The auditors stated the financial statements of the University as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, are fairly stated in all material respects.

The auditors also conducted a Single Audit of the University as required by the Uniform Guidance. The auditors stated the University complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the University's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

This Single Audit was conducted by Roth & Company, LLP.

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