

Dear Student:

As part of the federal government's Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, the University of New England has been approved for a one-time, limited allocation of funds designed to assist degree-seeking students in need as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and its disruption of campus operations. At this time, we would like to share with you the process for applying for relief funding.

Who is eligible?

Degree-seeking students enrolled in spring 2020 affected by the COVID-19 pandemic who have successfully completed a 2019-20 FAFSA (or are eligible to file a FAFSA) are eligible for CARES Act Funds. Students pursuing a degree through one of our on-line programs are not eligible for CARES Act Funding per the Department of Education.

How much funding is available?

Award amounts range from \$250 to \$3,000, depending on each student's financial situation and circumstances.

What types of expenses does the CARES Act emergency funding cover?

CARES Act funding will assist with expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus (including eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, or health care).

How to apply for CARES Act funding?

To be considered for CARES Act funds, students must complete the Student Request for Temporary Aid Form below:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=IcWYFJq0h02TDFCO83sfxonEvAUrs-BApcl Si8WuX2JUQTIGTThSSkVRSUVJMzBFN1A1S1ZVREI5NSQlQCN0PWcu.

Funds will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, please review FAQs in COVID-19 updates.

CARES Act FAQ

What is the CARES Act/Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund?

The CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-IHE/Student Aid provides funding to institutions to provide emergency financial aid grants to students whose lives have been disrupted, many of whom are facing financial challenges and struggling to make ends meet.

Who is eligible to receive temporary aid?

Any matriculated CAS, WCHP, COM, CDM, or COP student, who has completed a FAFSA (or are eligible to file a FAFSA) and is faced with hardship (see below) as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, may apply for temporary aid. A review of the information provided by way of the Student Request for Temporary Aid Form will be used to determine eligibility and award amounts.

The U.S. Department of Education stipulates that funds may not be disbursed to international students or those enrolled in an on-line program through College of Graduate and Professional Studies.

What are examples of expenses covered by the CARES Act/Higher Education Emergency Fund?

- Emergency medical and dental expenses
- Technology/equipment needed to ensure continuity of online learning
- Travel expenses
- Homelessness or sudden loss of housing
- Overdue utility bills reaching a turn-off notice
- Loss of childcare
- Health insurance
- Other financial needs arising from individual and/or special circumstances to be determined on a case-by-case basis

Are there expenses not covered by the CARES Act/Higher Education Emergency Fund?

- Anticipated expenses beyond spring 2020 semester
- Legal fines or expenses
- Non-essential personal bills
- Parking tickets, library fines, or other expenses mistakenly incurred
- Funds for the replacement of lost or stolen items

How do I apply for temporary aid?

Eligible students may apply for temporary aid by completing the Student Request for Temporary Funds Form below:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=IcWYFJq0h02TDFCO83sfxonEvAUrs-BApcl Si8WuX2JUQTIGTThSSkVRSUVJMzBFN1A1S1ZVREI5NSQlQCN0PWcu

Is there a deadline to apply?

There is no deadline however, disbursements will be made on a first-come, first-served basis and until funding is depleted.

If I am approved to receive temporary aid, when and how will I receive funds?

Application decisions will be made on a first-come, first-serve basis. Recipients of CARES Act funds will receive funds directly by either a direct deposit or check within 5-10 days from approval. Students not enrolled in direct deposit are encouraged to set this up as it will expedite recipient of funds. If you wish to sign up for institutional direct deposit, you may do so through U-online. For step by step instructions to complete the electronic direct deposit process, please review the attached instructions on pages 4–5 of this document.

Do I have to repay any of the temporary aid funds?

Temporary aid funds do not need to be repaid.

Is this funding taxable or will it be included in my gross income?

No. The IRS has announced that grants under the CARES act will be nontaxable and will not be included in your net income.

Will this funding reduce my financial aid package?

No. Temporary aid distributed under the CARES Act will not affect your financial aid award or eligibility for financial aid in a future year 2020/2021. These funds are emergency based and not considered Title IV financial aid.

Why didn't I receive temporary aid?

The rules established by the U.S. Department of Education state that students who are ineligible for federal financial aid programs may not be the recipients of temporary aid under the CARES Act/ Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund. The CARES Act funding allocation UNE received is very limited. The University will provide CARES Act funds to as many students as possible until the funds are exhausted.

If you do not receive CARES Act funding and are experiencing a financial hardship related to COVID-19 or any financial difficulties, please contact the Office of Student Financial Services at **sfs@une.edu** or **(207) 602-2342** for assistance.



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