UNC Wilmington has received HEERF funding and has established the **CARES Act Emergency Grant Fund** to distribute grants to eligible students who incurred unexpected expenses due to the disruption of campus operations caused by COVID-19. As a new student to UNCW (either Summer or Fall 2020) and based on your FAFSA need you have been identified as a potential recipient for a micro-CARES Grant. We understand that this grant may not meet your entire need, but we hope that it is helpful in assisting with expenses you have incurred by this disruption. These micro-grants (~$300 each) are intended to help pay or reimburse you for expenses related to the continued on-line instruction modality that began due to the campus disruption caused by the Covid-19 in March. Receipts **do not** need to be kept and/or provided to the University.

To start the process to receive the CARES Act Emergency Grant Refund you are required to sign into SeaNet and acknowledge that the funding provided by this award is to be used to cover expenses related to the disruption of campus operations caused by the coronavirus. Please complete the steps below no later than Friday, October 2, 2020 to have your refund processed.

**Steps to Acknowledge the CARES ACT funding:**

1. Click here to log into SeaNet  [https://seanet.uncw.edu](https://seanet.uncw.edu)
2. Click on the Student Services & Financial Aid Tab
3. Select Student Records
4. Click on COVID -19 Refund Acknowledgement
5. Read the Statement – if you agree click on the box and hit continue.

Refunds will begin being processed on Monday, October 5, 2020. Please update or set up a direct deposit into your checking account for your grant in order to expedite receiving your funds. To set-up or update the direct deposit, log on to E-Bill and choose the E-Refund tab at the top of the page. For students who do not sign up for direct deposit, a check will be mailed to the Home/Mailing address. Please note mailed checks will take up to 10 longer than a direct deposit. Students should ensure addresses are updated via SeaNet to avoid issues with checks being lost in the mail due to incorrect address. **Sign up for direct deposit or verify your address prior to or immediately after you acknowledge the CARES ACT funding noted above in to ensure proper grant distribution.**

Thank you,

The University of North Carolina at Wilmington