

Dear UNCW Students:

The Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act includes the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF), which provides emergency funding to universities to assist students affected by disruptions to campus caused by COVID-19. The [application](#) for this funding is open through June 1, 2020.

UNCW has received HEERF funding and established the Federal CARES Act Emergency Grant Fund to distribute microgrants to eligible students who incurred unexpected expenses due to COVID-19-related campus disruptions. These funds may be used to pay for expenses such as housing, food, technology needs, childcare, medical and other costs resulting from disruptions.

Funding is limited, and these grants are *not* considered financial aid. Completing this form *does not guarantee* funding availability or that the requested amount will be awarded in full. Eligibility requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A valid 2019-20 or 2020-21 FAFSA on file
- Currently enrolled or on an approved leave of absence
- Currently enrolled in a program that is not exclusively distance education
- U.S. citizen or [eligible noncitizen](#)
- Meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress ([SAP](#))

Once the application window closes, the CARES Act Emergency Grant Fund committee will review and process the applications as quickly as possible. We expect all grant awards to be made and posted to applicable students' e-bill accounts by July 15, 2020.

Thank you,
UNCW Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid

* *Additional information pursuant to the program is available [here](#).*