# University of North Dakota CRRSAA and ARP Acts Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Quarter 1 - Ending March 31, 2022 Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

The University of North Dakota signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) and American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARP). The university has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

The total amount of funds that the University has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs: \$10,953,344.

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs during the 1<sup>th</sup> Quarter, ending March 31, 2022: **\$4,583,150** 

The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs: 13,226

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs during the  $1^{th}$  Quarter, ending March 31, 2022: **3,664** 

The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

- 1) Low-income Undergraduate students eligible for the Federal Pell Grant (with FAFSA with EFC under \$5,846). Amount is based on one-month average cost room and board expenses. Students with 10 or more credits awarded \$2000 and 9 or less credits awarded \$750. Students have option to request funds pay their University Student Account or bypass their University Student Account based on consent. No additional application needed.
- 2) Students, including Undergraduate, Graduate, Law, and Medical students, who complete the Special Circumstance form through Student Finance but have already been awarded the maximum amount of federal aid were awarded \$2000. Amount is based on one-month average cost room and board expenses. No additional application needed as students are asked information on the Special Circumstance form. Students have option to request funds pay their University Student Account or bypass their University Student Account based on consent.
- 3) Federal Emergency Grant application open to all enrolled students, with marketing targeted to priority student groups meeting criteria below:

## **Prioritized Student Groups:**

- Undergraduate students with an EFC between \$5,847 to \$10,000
- First generation students (not Pell eligible)
- Students using food pantry at UND
- Students who receive HUD payments for on-campus apartments (not Pell eligible)
- High need graduate/professional students using FAFSA and financial aid data

Amount is \$850 and is based on one-month average cost room expenses. Students have option to request funds pay their University Student Account or bypass their University Student Account based on consent.

Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

#### Website:

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSAA) Act and American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act were passed by Congress and signed into law to provide economic relief from COVID-19. One section of the CARES Act established the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) and sent money to schools to use for emergency financial aid grants to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations and to support students with exceptional financial need due to the pandemic.

## **Eligibility Requirements**

All students may apply for this emergency grant. Students may **not** receive this emergency grant more than once per semester.

Students must be enrolled at least half-time as of the last day to register for courses for the semester in which the grant is requested/applied. This date can be found by accessing the <u>Academic Calendars</u> for the correct semester and career level.

Funds for this grant are limited. Grant applications will be approved and awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. **Completing an application does not guarantee an award.** 

Due to the overwhelming response for funding, please allow up to 10 business days for processing before the grant, if approved, will show on your Campus Connection account. Please do **not** resubmit another application for the same semester as that will create a delay in processing.

#### Email to Pell-eligible Students:

The University of North Dakota is pleased to inform you that you have been awarded a Federal Emergency Grant for the Spring 22 term. You have qualified for this grant based on information from your 2021-2022 FAFSA. This is a monetary gift which does **not** have to be repaid. The amount of the grant will depend on your spring enrollment as of January 21, 2022.

Spring 2022 Enrollment	Federal Emergency Grant Award Amount
10+ Credits	\$2,000
1-9 Credits	\$750

You may elect to have this award pay directly to your charges in Campus Connection, or to have the award paid directly to you through the refund delivery preference you have selected in Campus Connection.

Please complete the form below by Jan 10, 2022 (the first day of class) to let us know how you would prefer this grant to be delivered.

**Federal Emergency Grant Delivery Preference Form** 

Additionally, if you have not done so already, it is important that you select a refund preference as soon as possible to prevent any delays in payment to you, regardless of how you elect to have this award paid.

- 1. Sign in to Campus Connection
- 2. Select the Financial Account tile
- 3. Select Direct Deposit, then choose UND
- 4. Follow the steps within BankMobile to set up your direct deposit option.

While this grant is money which can be used to help you pay your student charges, it will not be considered a part of your financial aid package and will not affect your eligibility to receive any other financial aid.

Please contact our office with any questions.

Sincerely,

**One-Stop Student Services** 

## Email to students prioritized for the grant application:

You have been identified as a UND student who may be eligible to receive financial assistance from the Federal Emergency Grant for the Spring 22 semester.

To be considered for this monetary gift, which does **not** have to be repaid, please complete the <u>Federal</u> <u>Emergency Grant Application</u> as soon as possible. These funds are limited and will be awarded in the order applications are received. Completing an application does not guarantee an award.

# **Federal Emergency Grant Application Form**

The Federal Emergency Grant is funded through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III), a part of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020.

Please email our office with any questions.

Sincerely,

**One-Stop Student Services**