RFU COVID-19 Student Impact Award Criteria

Covid-19 Emergency Funding is available to students who are unable to meet immediate, essential expenses due to temporary hardship related to a COVID-19 emergency. Applications will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to determine if the student has experienced a disruption in their educational experience, or an emergency related to COVID-19. COVID-19 Student Impact Awards consist of a combination of CARES Act and RFUMS Institutional funds.

Award Amounts and Scoring Rubric
Award amounts have been determined based on a point scale. The scale included separate academic and financial reviews that scored students between 1 and 3. These scores were then combined by adding them together to establish a cumulative score. Based on these, students with the highest indication of disruption received lower scores, and students with lower indications of disruption a higher score. The following rubric has been established to determine award amounts:

2 = $1,500
3 = $1,250
4 = $1,000
5 = $750
6 = $500

How to Apply for COVID-19 Emergency Fund Assistance
- RFU RFU COVID-19 Student Impact Request Form (Google Docs)

Supporting Documentation (optional)
- Supporting documentation is optional but advised.

Who is eligible:
- All Title IV eligible students currently enrolled in on-campus coursework. This stipulation does exclude eligibility for online, international, and undocumented students based on Federal guidelines for CARES Act fund usage.
- Students who are ineligible for CARES Act funds will be considered on a case-by-case basis for institutional Student Impact Awards.
- Internal funds will be utilized to meet need for ineligible students

Expenses Generally Covered (on a case by case basis)
- Emergency housing expenses due to loss of income related to COVID-19
- Emergency temporary lodging (if you find yourself homeless or in an unsafe situation)
- Essential utilities (E.g. electric, gas, water)
- Temporary food insecurity
- Emergency medical costs not covered by insurance
- Financial needs arising from emergency travel home
- Expenses associated with cancelled clinical rotations
- Other needs related to transitioning to online learning, (internet, learning materials, accessories)
- Other expenses specifically related to COVID-19

**Expenses Generally NOT Covered**
- Tuition and student fees
- Non-essential utilities such as cable,
- Non-emergency travel
- Outstanding debt to the university
- Credit card expenses prior to March 1st, 2020