

## **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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020