

On 4/26/2020, Chapman University signed and returned to the Department of Education a certification and agreement to receive CARES Grant funding under Section 18004(a)(1) in the amount of \$5,505,229 with \$2,752,615 dedicated to Emergency Financial Aid Grants directly to students.

As of July 13, 2020, Chapman has distributed \$2,269,056 directly to 3056 students to assist with eligible non-tuition expenses.

The university employed two methods to distribute funds directly to students. First, several groups of students were identified as having immediate expenses as a result of the disruption of campus operations as a result of the coronavirus pandemic. These students were automatically awarded funds:

- Students who were in campus housing and who moved out of housing on or before April 17, 2020 received \$600 to assist with moving expenses.
- Students who were in campus housing and who moved out of housing on or before April 17, 2020 but whose personal items remained in housing received \$300 to assist with moving expenses.
- Graduate students who were scheduled to graduate May-August 2020 and had clinical rotations that were cancelled or shortened; or have the required certification of completion verification of degree delayed; were awarded \$3,000 to assist with additional living costs, replacement rotation expenses and transportation expenses.
- Graduate MS or PhD Pharmacy students who had significant disruption of research projects were awarded \$3,000 to assist with increased research costs.
- Graduate students who were scheduled to graduate December 2020 and had clinical rotations that were cancelled or cut short; were awarded \$1,000 to assist with replacement rotations costs and transportation expenses.
- Graduate DPT students enrolled in summer 2020 were awarded \$500 to purchase supplies required for demonstration and practice which are normally available on campus.

Students who were not identified in the above groups, or who were but had additional expenses, were encouraged to complete an application for funding. Students submitting an application were instructed to include documentation and receipts for any expenses. The following specific instructions were included on the application:

- Documentation must include the specific date the expense was incurred as well as a brief statement indicating how the expense is related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19. Documentation might include receipts, invoices, etc. If the student is unable to provide documentation, we will be unable to offer emergency funding through this program.
- If your request is approved, you will be able to see an award added to your account via the my.chapman.edu student portal. The fastest way for us to disburse these funds to

you is thru your student account. If your request is approved, the funds will be applied to your student account and automatically sent to you via direct deposit or paper check depending on the previous arrangements you have made with Student Business Services.

- CARES Act Emergency Grant Assistance will NOT be applied to past due, current or future charges at the University.
- Submitting this form is not a guarantee that your request will be funded or funded fully.
- You are encouraged to check with a tax professional to determine the taxability of these funds.

Based on guidance from the Department of Education, to identify if a student was initially eligible for funding, the student must have a valid, complete 2019-20 FAFSA on file in the financial aid office and be meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress standards.

Identified eligible students were sent notices to their campus email about the availability of funding under the CARES Act. In addition, a notice was provided to be posted in the Dean of Student's weekly email to all students as well as Parent Engagement's weekly email to all parents. This post included the following text:

"Chapman University has received emergency grants for students funded by the federal government's Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. These funds are available to students with expenses directly related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic. Some students have already received funding related to the closure of campus housing and other known expenses.

Based on the guidance from the Department of Education and our legal counsel, only students who have a valid FAFSA are eligible for these grants. Eligible students can find the [undergraduate application for funding here](#) and the [graduate application for funding here](#).

As we receive further guidance, we will update affected students. You can contact [fa\\_cares@chapman.edu](mailto:fa_cares@chapman.edu) with any questions about CARES Act funding."