

CARES Act email with instruction on applying for supplemental grant

Dear Student,

We are writing to let you know that you are not eligible for an automatic grant through the CARES Act student grant program.

Eligibility for any automatic CARES Act grant is based on two criteria, following the U.S. Department of Education's (DOE) guidelines to institutions:

- Qualification for Title IV federal financial aid program through filing of a 2019-2020 FAFSA aid application; and
- At least a portion of a student's financial aid award for the 2019-2020 academic year was based solely on demonstrated financial need (grant aid beyond that awarded for academic achievement, talent, citizenship, or personal achievements).

Please know that you are still able to apply for funding!

On a limited basis, the college is offering [emergency grants by application for COVID-19-related expenses](#). These grants are funded through donations from alumni and friends of the college, college resources, Student Government Association designations, and CARES Act funds. Related expenses include:

- Purchase of technology services or equipment, including hardware and internet access;
- Purchase of course related materials;
- Need to pay a portion of rent/mortgage and utilities at a residence to which you relocated after March 13, 2020 (the last day of on-campus instruction for the Spring 2020 semester);
- Buy groceries or prepared food in place of meals you would have eaten under a college meal plan;
- Unexpected travel and/or storage expenses resulting from the closing of on-campus housing or a change in your off-campus residence as a result of Muhlenberg's move to remote learning; and/or
- Health care or family care costs related to the Coronavirus crisis.

If you need help with these expenses and they have caused a disruption to your ability to successfully complete your coursework, please [complete the emergency grant application](#). Applications are considered on a first-come, first-served basis and funding

is prioritized for students who have suffered the greatest educational disruption and who are in the most urgent need of support.

Please accept our best wishes for a safe and enjoyable summer.

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