University of North Dakota CRRSAA and ARP Acts Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Quarter 1 - Ending March, 31, 2021 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 as of March 31, 2021: **\$2,267,100**

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: **13,057**

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: **2,838**

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.

- Low-income Undergraduate students eligible for the Federal Pell Grant (with FAFSA with EFC under \$5,712). Amount is based on one-month average cost room and board expenses. Students with 10 or more credits will award \$1100 and 9 or less credits will award \$550. Block grant will be sent directly to students and will bypass University Student Account. No additional application needed.
- 2) 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 \$5,712 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 (defined by zero EFC) graduate/professional students using FAFSA and financial aid data
- Students with outstanding balances

Amount is \$550 and is based on one-month average cost room expenses. Students will 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:

This Federal Emergency Grant is funded through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II), a part of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020. The purpose of this grant is to provide additional financial support to UND students experiencing financial hardship due to the pandemic.

Eligibility Requirements

All students who are U.S. citizens or Permanent Residents (i.e., possess a green card) may apply for this emergency grant. International students are not eligible for Federal Emergency Grant funds.

Students may **not** receive this emergency grant more than once per semester or academic year. Spring and summer 2021 semesters are both part of the 2020-21 academic year.

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 in the amount of \$----- for the Spring 2021 term. You have qualified for this grant based on information from your 2020-2021 FAFSA. This is a monetary gift which does **not** have to be repaid.

The Federal Emergency Grant will not pay any outstanding charges you may owe on your account. This award will be paid directly to you through the refund delivery preference you have selected in Campus Connection within three business days.

If you have not selected an electronic refund preference, please do so <u>as soon as possible</u> to prevent any delay in payment to you.

- 1. Sign into 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.

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Please contact our office with any questions.

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 2021 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

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