UNMC was awarded funds through the CARES Act: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) I, CRRSA Act: HEERF II, and the ARP Act: HEERF III for distribution to students who have experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19.

The entire amount of student emergency grant funding from the CARES Act has been distributed to students, but funds are available from the HEERF II and HEERF III allocations of funding.

A portion of those funds is being made available for grants to UNMC students through an Emergency Assistance Application process. Emergency grants are expected to be used for eligible expenses under a student’s cost of attendance, which includes housing, food, course materials, technology, health care (including mental health), childcare, and travel/transportation.

**Eligibility for an Emergency Grant**

To be eligible to receive a grant from the available HEERF funds, UNMC students must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Must be currently enrolled at least half-time in an undergraduate, graduate, or professional program.
- Must be a degree-seeking student at UNMC.
- Must document a financial hardship directly related to COVID-19.

**Requesting Consideration for Funding from the HEERF Emergency Grants**

To apply for funding from the HEERF Emergency Grants for students, use your UNMC email address and submit the following information with a subject line noting “HEERF Funding Request” to finaid@unmc.edu for review by the committee:

- Description of the financial hardship you have experienced directly related to COVID-19, including specific dollar amounts for which you are seeking assistance.
- Necessary documentation of the expense(s) should be attached separately to your email.

Funding is limited and will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are granted funds, you will receive an email to your UNMC email address. In the meantime, please be sure to sign up for direct deposit in MyRecords as that will be the quickest way to receive any grant funds awarded. If you have questions about the HEERF Emergency Grant process, please contact finaid@unmc.edu.