

CARES Act Emergency Grant for Students Q&A

- 1. What can I spend the CARES Act Grant on?** Funds must be used toward expenses that you incurred related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus. Examples include, but are not limited to food, housing, course materials, technology and health care.
- 2. Do I have to submit receipts to the University?** No, receipts are not required to be submitted.
- 3. How did the University decide who would receive funding and the amounts received?** The University allocated the funding that it received among the College of Arts, Sciences & Engineering (AS&E), Eastman School of Music, and School of Medicine and Dentistry each developing awarding policies to meet the needs of their own student populations within the guidelines outlined by the U.S. Department of Education. Detailed information about eligibility will be provided on the University's website along with other required consumer disclosures at <https://enrollment.rochester.edu/financial-aid/consumer-information/>.
- 4. Will I have to pay taxes on the amount received?** No. Emergency financial aid grants under the CARES Act for unexpected expenses, unmet financial need, or expenses related to the disruption of campus operations on account of the COVID-19 pandemic, such as unexpected expenses for food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, or childcare, are qualified disaster relief payments under section 139 of the Internal Revenue Code. This grant is not includible in your gross income.
- 5. Will this affect the amount of financial aid I am receiving?** No, these emergency grants will not affect your financial aid received or your eligibility for future financial aid.
- 6. Who can I contact for questions about this grant?**

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