

CARES ACT: HIGHER EDUCATION EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND III - OPEN MAY 2, 2022 – MAY 15, 2022

In response to the global COVID-19 Pandemic, the U.S. Government has provided HEERF III grants which can only be used for expenses from any component of a student's cost of attendance and/or emergency costs that arise due to the coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care incurred. Note: A student may elect to apply for their HEERF III grant directly to their student account by consenting to the application. If an eligible student can substantiate costs associated with the disruption from COVID-19, the student is encouraged to submit a request for funds through this application. The student must attest to the need for additional grant funds for the purposes permitted by law in the box below and sign as indicated.

Because the amount of the CARES Act funding is limited, the College does not guarantee additional funding to any student, but each application received will be considered until the funds are exhausted or the application closes. The College reserves the right to use its discretion in evaluating the applications and determining the amount of each award which may include establishing a maximum amount. You may have your funds applied directly to your balance or provided to you via check. Please make sure that you document how you request the funds to be dispersed. Please be sure your address and phone number is correct on the portal to ensure timely delivery.

Step by step application instructions:

1. Sign on the Student portal
2. Click the FINANCIAL tab at top of the page
3. On the left-hand side click FINANCIAL SERVICES-STUDENT ACCOUNTS
4. On the left-hand side click CARES ACT
5. Read the page and at the bottom click CONTINUE NEXT PAGE
6. Fill out the application, sign, and submit.

For any questions regarding the CARES Act funding, please email EmergencyFund@lackawanna.edu or review the FAQ's below.

HEERF III FAQ

How do I know if I'm eligible for HEERF III Funds?

Please follow this link to FAQs provided with the changes to requirements for HEERF III funds. On May 2, 2022, the HEERF III application will open again to ALL current students. The funds for this round are on a first come first serve basis.

What is the maximum amount for which I may apply?

The maximum amount for which a student may apply is \$500. Please note that if you have an exceptional need due to a loss of a job or other changes in financial circumstances, please contact Financial Services at financialservices@lackawanna.edu to discuss financial aid and additional grant options. Additional funds may be available upon review specifically for educational supplies.

How will I receive the grant?

You can have the grant applied right to your account to assist with your balance. You can also have the check mailed to you or you may pick up the check-in at the Student Financial Service Office. If you are having it mailed, please be sure that your address is correct on the portal. You could also choose to pick up the check-in Angeli Hall, Suite 114 at the Scranton Campus.

How will I know if my application has been accepted?

It will usually take 2-3 weeks for the application to be processed. You will be notified via email if your application has been accepted. Note; these funds are prioritized based on financial need as well as on a first come first serve basis.

How long will the application be open?

The application will be open until May 15, 2022, or until funds are exhausted. At that time, the funds will be assessed and there will be a determination if the application will remain open.

Who can I contact if I have questions regarding HEERF II funds?

You can email any questions to emergencyfund@lackawanna.edu