

## Franciscan School of Theology

Section 18004(e) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act” or the “Act”), Pub. L. No. 116-136, 134 Stat. 281 (March 27, 2020), directs institutions receiving funds under Section 18004 of the Act to submit (in a time and manner required by the Secretary) a report to the Secretary describing the use of funds distributed from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (“HEERF”). On April 9, 2020, the Department published documents related to the Emergency Financial Aid Grants, including a [letter](#) from Secretary Betsy DeVos, a form [Certification and Agreement](#) for signing and returning by institutions to access the funds, and a list of [institutional allocations under 18004\(a\)\(1\)](#).

The Certification and Agreement directs each institution applying for HEERF funds to comply with Section 18004(e) of the CARES Act and submit an initial report (the “30-day Fund Report”) to the Secretary thirty (30) days from the date of the institution’s Certification and Agreement to the Department. The Department will provide instructions for providing the required information to the Secretary in the near future. In the meantime, each HEERF participating institution is required to post the following information to comply with the initial report requirements.

The Franciscan School of Theology acknowledges that it signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

- The total amount of funds allocated to the Franciscan School of Theology pursuant to the institution’s Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students was \$3,928.
- The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants awarded to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of May 15, 2020 (30-day reporting requirement and updated each 45 days thereafter) was \$3,570.48.
- The estimated total number of students eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act was 35.
- The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act was less than 10.
- An application and student certification form were used by the school to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

Distribution was based on the students request for assistance and if their requests meet the directive of the grants purpose. See application and certification form below.

**Student Emergency Financial Aid Grant  
Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES ACT)**

**Exclusive purpose of Emergency student Financial Aid grant:**

*Grants are for students who have incurred new expenses related to the disruption of campus operations (transition to distant learning) due to the coronavirus, such as course materials, technology, health care and childcare expenses.*

**Eligibility of students to receive grants funds are as follows, but not limited to:**

- US Citizenship or eligible noncitizen
- Valid Social Security Number
- High School Diploma or GED

**Students must meet the Title IV Higher Education Act of 1965 section 484 eligibility requirements.**

- If the student has filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) then the student has demonstrated eligibility.
- If the student meet the eligibility requirements then the student should complete and submit a FAFSA.

**To Request funds:**

- Be eligible based on criteria noted above
- Complete and submit form by **May 15, 2020** (Forms received after this date jeopardize available funds being depleted)
- Sign certification that requests fund meet the purpose of the grant.

**Student Emergency Financial Aid Grant  
Student Certification**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Please mark one of the boxes below:**

- I have submitted a FAFSA for last semester 2019-2020
- I have submitted a FAFSA as of \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount of Funds requested \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of requested funds:**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that I meet the requirements of the receipt of these funds. My requested funds are for the intended emergency financial aid need and I have incurred the costs due to the disruption of campus operations and my transition to remote learning due to the Coronavirus.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date