

Dear Students:

Franklin Pierce University is in the process of securing limited funds through the Federal Government's 2020 CARES Act in order to assist students with expenses related to the disruption of academic programming related to the COVID-19 global pandemic.

Eligible examples incurred after May 13, 2020 for potential assistance with CARES Act funding include: Housing (lease extension, rental agreement); travel (plane tickets, bus tickets); technology needed for online coursework (laptop, computer, tablet); health care expenses; child care expenses; food; course materials.

If you incurred expenses after March 13, 2020 relative to COVID-19, please complete the application for grant assistance at the following link:

<https://franklinpierce.edu/admissions/finaid/FINAL%20Application%20for%20CARES%20Act%20Funding.pdf>

Please note that all requests for grant funding must be documented with proof of expense (e.g. receipt, rental agreement, plane/bus ticket copy)

While we cannot guarantee that all applications or full funding requests will be approved, our goal is to assist as many applicants as possible with these limited funds.

Please submit your completed application and any relevant documentation **no later than June 1, 2020** to osfs@franklinpierce.edu for consideration. To expedite the review process, please send all materials together in one e-mail. Review of applications will begin immediately with award notifications taking place by June 30, 2020.

IMPORTANT: Per Federal guidelines, CARES Act funding cannot be used to pay for expenses billed directly to the student by the University (tuition, fees, room, board). This application is not intended for students and families who have experienced a loss of income, job loss, or untimely loss as a result of COVID-19. **For families who have experienced a loss of income, please contact the Student Financial Services Office at osfs@franklinpierce.edu in order to work on an appeal for financial assistance for the 2020/21 academic year.**

Additionally, CARES ACT funding can only be awarded to students eligible to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) during the 2019/20 academic year.

We hope this message finds you and your family safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Student Financial Services
Franklin Pierce University