

SUMMER 2020

CARES Act: Emergency Funds for Eligible Students

Who is eligible?

In order to be eligible to be considered to receive funds, KCC students:

- Must have been a degree or certificate seeking student enrolled in the Summer 2020 semester
- Must be eligible to receive Title IV aid
- Must have submitted a 2019-2020 FAFSA or be eligible to submit a 2019-20 FAFSA
- Must currently be meeting satisfactory academic progress (SAP) requirements for financial aid as of June 15, 2020
- Must not have been enrolled in a fully online program as of March 13, 2020 and taking online only courses up to that time
- Have incurred financial need or hardship due to COVID-19 related campus disruption

In accordance with Department of Education guidelines, KCC will distribute CARES Act emergency grant funding for eligible students in three ways:

- Direct awards of up to \$500 will be disbursed to students meeting the eligibility criteria outlined above. Awards are pro-rated based upon the student's enrollment level as of June 15, 2020. Students in this group do not need to request or apply for these funds. Notifications of awards will be sent to students via their KCC email account beginning the week of July 13th.
- Limited CARES Act funds are available for eligible students enrolled in Summer 2020 who have not filed a FAFSA form to access through a self-certification process. Students in this group must be eligible to file a FAFSA to be considered for funding. Notifications of eligibility will be sent to students via their KCC email account the week of July 13th with instructions on how to access and submit the self-certification application within the Bruin Portal. Students in this category will be eligible to receive up to \$400. Awards will be pro-rated based upon the student's enrollment level as of June 15, 2020. Applications must be submitted by August 10 to be considered.
- KCC will make available a Hardship Grant application through the Bruin Portal in mid-July for students who experienced COVID-19 campus-disruption related expenses that were not met through the two options above. Funding will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis and available until our remaining grant funds are exhausted. Applications will be open to all students meeting the eligibility criteria and must be submitted by August 10. Factors such as job loss, childcare or medical expenses, housing or food insecurity, an inability to pay for educational supplies, technology, or expenses will be considered.
- All grant funds will be processed through student accounts and will transferred via direct deposit or, if the student does not have banking information on file, via paper check and mailed to the student.