

# Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund

The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) provides emergency funding to institutions of higher education to assist students in need during the coronavirus pandemic. Grantham University signed and returned ED's Certification Agreement and agreed to use the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. Grantham University has received \$202,705 in HEERF II funds to award to our students.

Per guidance from the federal government, these grants will be distributed to students with exceptional need, which may be determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). GU has received HEERF II funding and will be distributing grants in the amount of \$750 to eligible students to help cover expenses related to the cost of attendance (e.g., food, housing and utilities, health insurance, including mental health care, transportation, or childcare) or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus.

- Funds from the HEERF II CRRSAA Emergency Relief Fund are not considered financial aid and do not affect a student's current or future financial aid eligibility.

## Eligibility and Awarding

Eligible students will meet the following requirements:

- Students must have been enrolled, or currently be enrolled at Grantham University on or after March 13, 2020 (the date that the National emergency began).
- Students must demonstrate exceptional need, which is typically measured by the FAFSA. Students may also provide additional documentation to support their case for exceptional need.
- Students must complete the HEERF Request Form at <https://granthamuniversity.force.com/Forms/s/heerf>

**\*Due to the overwhelming response we are no longer accepting requests for HEERF funds. We apologize for any inconvenience.**

- **Students can use HEERF funds to pay existing charges on their student account (incurred on or after 3/13/20) with written permission only.** Permission may be given at the time the student completes the HEERF Request Form.

If students choose not to grant permission to apply their HEERF funds toward existing charges, they will receive their grant funds via a paper check.