

## Title Application for Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) Grant is Now Available

### Body

The federal government has provided higher education institutions with Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) through three legislative acts related to COVID-19. A portion of the funds provided through HEERF includes student grant funding, which is available to students who had emergency costs arise due to coronavirus.

Columbia College is awarding HEERF Grant funding to students via:

1. A Block HEERF Grant (also see [CougarTrack announcement from June 16](#))
  - Awarded to eligible students the week of June 7
  - Award amount was fixed and predetermined
  - Students not awarded were not eligible
  - Requires an attestation form
  - Attestation form is open until September 1, 2021, or until funds run out
  
2. An Application for HEERF Funding Request
  - Grant Application is now open
  - Grant Application will be open until funds run out
  - Details below

The application for requests for HEERF funding is now available. To be considered eligible for HEERF funding via the grant application students must:

- Have experienced or are experiencing emergency costs because of the coronavirus
- Have been enrolled and attended anytime during the 2020-2021 academic year
- Submit a HEERF Grant Application requesting funds

The HEERF Application can be accessed via direct link [here](#) or in Cougartrack under CC Links > Financial Aid Forms > 2021-22 Forms > Other Forms

Application review can take 2-3 weeks, any communication regarding application review will be sent to student's Cougarmail address. Funds are subject to availability and submission of an application does not guarantee receipt of funding.

If you have questions about our HEERF process, please email [Financialaid@ccis.edu](mailto:Financialaid@ccis.edu) or contact [ESC](#) by phone at (573) 875-7252

Thank you,  
The Financial Aid Office