



September 23, 2020

Dear Gillings International Students,

I hope you are doing well. This is an update to a previous email sent regarding funding resources for financial support related to the COVID-19 pandemic. We wanted to be sure you were aware of what you are eligible to apply for as an international student and how to apply.

While international students are not eligible for CARES Act funding, the Office of Scholarships and Student Aid does have a mechanism for international students to apply for University COVID-related emergency funds. [Please complete this form to request assistance](#) if you are experiencing hardship due to COVID-19 to see if they can help in any way. Please keep in mind that the amount is limited to \$2,500 for the fall semester. It is not meant to cover direct University charges like tuition/fees, and should be limited to immediate needs like food, shelter, childcare, etc.

The Office of Scholarships and Student Aid is providing an Internet Supplement for students who are taking all courses remotely in Fall 2020, not in an established, fully online degree program, and not living in on-campus housing. If you need better internet connectivity to successfully complete your coursework, you can apply for the \$200 supplement. As an international student, merely indicate that you are a non-US national and cannot file a FAFSA. For this supplement, you do not have to provide additional financial information. [Please complete this form to request the supplement](#). Contact the Office of Scholarships and Student Aid if you have questions about university funding.

In addition to the University funds, the Gillings School of Global Public Health Student Emergency Relief Fund is available to assist students who have been affected by unexpected expenses and circumstances. **Please apply for university funds before requesting Gillings funds.** Review our [emergency funding policy](#) and [complete an application](#) to be considered for our Gillings School of Global Public Health Student Emergency Relief funds. As with university funds, requests for Gillings emergency funds should be limited to immediate, emergency expenses.

Please know, for any of the funding resources above, you must have a US bank account and your direct deposit information on file with the [UNC Cashier's Office](#), otherwise the funds cannot be disbursed. Please remember to contact your service providers for additional relief options. Continue to monitor the university coronavirus [website](#), Office of Scholarships and Student Aid [website](#), Graduate School's COVID-19 [updates](#), Gillings [Coronavirus Information Portal](#), and our Awards and Funding [website](#) for additional resources and information.

Best,  
Jenna Keith



**Jenna Keith**, M.Ed  
Student Funding and Awards Coordinator  
UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health  
264 Rosenau Hall | CB 7400  
(919) 843-2644  
[jmkeith@email.unc.edu](mailto:jmkeith@email.unc.edu)