The US government has expanded on the emergency funds available to students through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSA Act). The available funds are also known as Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II funds (HEERF II).

UBTech has been authorized to disburse funds to students for any component of the students’ Cost of Attendance. This includes food, housing, health care (including mental health), childcare, or education expenses. CRRSA Act funds may be used for tuition and fees with the express written consent of the student. UBTech will accept an email from a student designating the funds be applied to their student account.

Currently the US Department of Education does not interpret undocumented students; Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) students; and international students to be eligible for CRRSA Act funding. All students must complete a FAFSA to determine if they meet citizenship/registered non-citizen status.

Adult students enrolled in COE approved programs may receive CRRSA Act funding. It is the intent of UBTech to administer CRRSA Act funds to students who demonstrate exceptional financial need, such as students who receive Federal Pell Grant funds. Students who are not eligible to receive Federal Pell Grant funds may still be eligible for the CRRSA Act funds depending upon the student population.

UBTech Student Services in conjunction with the Office of the President has established the following procedure for the distribution of these funds:

**FUNDING MECHANISMS:**

Eligibility will be determined by verifying enrollment as of March 1, 2021, utilizing the student information system Northstar. A FAFSA will be used to verify citizenship status. Awards will be made once eligibility is determined. Additional funding may be made available for students at a later time.

The minimum allocation to be awarded for emergency financial aid grants to UBTech students is: **$83,683**
The initial allocation to UBTech students is: **TBD**
The initial allocation to UBTech students whose EFC is less than: $10,000 is: **TBD**

The reporting of real-time award take will be updated on the CRRSA Act information page of the UBTech website.

The breakdown of the 166 students who may qualify for funding at UBTech is as follows:

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**PROCEDURE:**

1- The Data Specialist will generate a list of eligible students for emergency grant funding via Northstar (SIS).
2- PELL eligible students will receive priority communication for consideration for the award via SalesForce from a Student Success Officer to determine if the student is eligible for federal funds and would like to accept or deny funds.
3- Once PELL eligible students have been contacted, the Financial Aid Office in conjunction with Student Success Officers will contact remaining students in eligible programs via SalesForce to complete a FAFSA, to determine if the student is eligible for federal aid and would like to accept or deny the aid.
4- The Financial Aid Office in conjunction with the Finance Office will utilize the address of record or preferred address for each student and mail financial aid grant checks to those who qualify and accept.
5- A record of those who accept and reject financial aid grants will be maintained.