

Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant FAQs

1. I completed the Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant survey. When will notifications and funding occur?

Answer: Final funding decisions and disbursements are likely to occur the week of June 1.

2. I received a \$200 award from the UCLA CARES Universal Impact Grant. How was it determined?

Answer: The \$200 awarded was a “flat amount” for all eligible students overseen by the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office. For more details, visit: <https://financialaid.ucla.edu/cares-act-faq>

3. I am an UCLA international/undocumented student. Am I eligible for funding? Where is the funding from?

Answer: You are eligible for funding. Funding for international/undocumented students comes from non-governmental sources.

4. I received an email regarding my eligibility to receive the Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant. I previously received an e-mail regarding UCLA CARES Universal Impact Grant. Are these two grants the same?

Answer: No, these are two separate funding programs. The Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant funding program is for graduate and professional students only.

5. I filled out the survey. What happens next?

Answer: Your survey responses are forwarded to your home academic department. They will make a need determination and provide a recommendation to the Graduate Division. The Graduate Division will make a final review and if awarded, will process funding.

6. Can I make changes to my survey responses after submitting?

Answer: No. Please review all of your responses carefully prior to acknowledging and submitting the survey.

7. What is the criteria that Graduate Division will be using to consider the release of this need-based grant?

Answer: The Graduate Division will rely on departments to measure the need for each student. Data will then be consolidated to identify those who are neediest.

8. I filled out the application for the UCLA CARES Universal Impact Grant via MyUCLA. Will this funding affect the Graduate COVID-19 Impact fund amount I will potentially receive?

Answer: No. They are two separate COVID-19 related funding programs.

9. I received an email asking me to complete an application for the Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant. How do I know if I am eligible?

Answer: You are eligible for consideration if you received an email invitation and completed the survey by May 22. Notifications and funding will begin the week of June 1.

10. I received \$200 from the UCLA CARES Universal Impact Grant. Will it impact my eligibility for the Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant?

Answer: The \$200 you received does not impact your eligibility for the Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant.

11. I completed the Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant Fund survey and subsequently received \$200 prior to June 1. Is this the funding from the survey?

Answer: No. The \$200 is from the UCLA CARES Universal Impact Grant.

12. I completed the survey and later received a confirmation message from the Graduate Division, which included a link to request the UCLA CARES Universal Impact Grant. However, I already made a request through MyUCLA and received the message: *Thank you for your interest in the Universal CARES Grant. Our records show you have already submitted a Universal CARES Grant request and have been awarded.* Does this account for the \$200 that I received from the CARES grant?

Answer. Yes

13. If I receive funding from the Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant, when and how long will it take for me to receive the funding?

Answer: If enrolled in Bruin Direct, you can expect to receive the award in 1-3 business days (depending on your financial institution) after funding recommendation has been made by your home academic department. Awards will start disbursing beginning the week of June 1.

14. I applied to receive the Graduate Division COVID-19 Impact Grant. However, I am no longer in need of the grant and I would prefer that the funds are directed to someone who is currently struggling to meet their financial needs. Can I rescind my application?

Answer: Yes. Contact your home department and inform them that you want to rescind your application and no longer considered.

15. If awarded, how will I receive the COVID-19 Impact Grant funding?

Answer: If you are enrolled in Bruin Direct for fellowship payments, funding will be deposited to your designated bank account. If you are not enrolled in Bruin Direct, a paper check will be mailed to the local mailing address on file.

16. I did not receive the amount I requested in the survey. Is there an appeals process?

Answer: No. Funding is limited and it is utilized to provide funding to as many eligible graduate and professional students as possible.

17. I already submitted my responses to the survey but later received an email from Graduate Division regarding supplemental requirements. Do you need more information?

Answer: No further information is required if you already completed both the UCLA CARES Universal Impact Grant and the Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant surveys.

18. Are there enrollment requirements in order to receive Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant funding?

Answer: Yes. You must be registered for Spring 2020 and enrolled at least halftime (4 units graduate/professional students) to be considered for a Graduate COVID-19 Impact Grant.