



Office of the President

NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY

Dear Lumberjacks,

I know the last few months have presented you with many challenges. We are very proud that through your efforts, and with the guidance of our faculty and staff, you have successfully concluded the semester. Given the disruption our communities have experienced since spring break as a result of the pandemic, I am especially gratified to let you know that you are eligible for some financial assistance.

NAU is proud to have applied for and have received an award from the U.S. Department of Education to secure funding in accordance with the recent passage of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. We are committed to working quickly and effectively to disburse the CARES funds to assist you in defraying costs you have incurred while pursuing your education during this unprecedented time of great health, safety, and financial uncertainty.

To become eligible for a Lumberjack CARES Act Grant and to determine your award amount, you need to file a 2020-2021 academic year Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or submit necessary documents to Financial Aid (in your LOUIE to-do list) by **June 1, 2020**. [You can complete the FAFSA online.](#)

Once you file your FAFSA and meet the Title IV, section 484 criteria, we will email you a simple form that asks you to verify your direct deposit information and mailing address in your LOUIE account, as well as one question that asks how your life on campus has been affected by the pandemic.

After you have verified your information and submitted your completed form, a deposit or check for \$400 if you are not Pell eligible or \$500 if you are Pell eligible will be issued to your account within 7-10 days. We will utilize an application process in the late summer/early fall for additional grant funds.

For detailed information regarding eligibility, how funds are distributed, and FAQs please visit the website at nau.edu/coronavirus/caresact. Please complete your FAFSA or submit your necessary documents to Financial Aid by **Monday, June 1, 2020** to determine your funding level.

We are pleased to share this news with you and my deepest thanks for the strength you have shown as a member of our Lumberjack family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rita".

Rita Hartung Cheng
President