



CARES Act

Sheridan Technical College

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Sheridan Technical College has received funds from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The CARES Act established and funded the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) to provide emergency financial aid grants intended to assist college students with expenses incurred due to the disruption of campus operations. These funds will be disbursed to students to assist with food, housing, course materials, technology, healthcare, and childcare costs associated with significant changes to the delivery of instruction due to the coronavirus.

In accordance with the federal CARES Act, Sheridan Technical College's total HEERF allocation is \$1,063,091 of which \$531,546 will be awarded to students as emergency financial aid grants in the amount of \$500 each.

Following guidelines from the US Department of Education, Sheridan Technical College will disburse these financial aid grants to students whose learning was disrupted as a result of campus closures which resulted in instruction being delivered remotely. Please review this document in its entirety. **The CARES application must be submitted by June 15, 2020.**

CARES Act Qualification Checklist

Students may be eligible for the grant if they meet all the criteria below:

- Continuously enrolled in an **on-campus and/or hybrid/blended** Career and Technical Education (CTE) certificate program as of March 16, 2020, with the exception of students who have subsequently completed their CTE program at Sheridan Technical College at the time of grant application. **Please note, students who were enrolled exclusively in an online program prior to the declared emergency are not eligible for these financial aid grants.**
- Completed the 2019-2020 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and met all eligibility requirements for Title IV financial aid OR are **eligible to complete** a FAFSA application. Refer to the "[How to Apply for Financial Aid](#)" section on the next page for instructions.
- Have been financially impacted due to disruption of campus operations caused by COVID-19.
- Possess a high school diploma or a high school equivalency diploma issued from an accredited school. Please note, if your high school/ GED transcript is not on file, you will be required to provide a copy in order to process the CARES application.
- Be a U.S. citizen or national, permanent resident, or other eligible noncitizen.
- Have a Social Security Number verified through the FAFSA process.
- Have Selective Service registration verified if between the age of 18-25.
- Be making satisfactory academic progress.
- Not owe an overpayment on Title IV grants or loans.
- Not be in default on a Title IV loan.
- Have returned fraudulently obtained Title IV funds if convicted of or pled guilty or no contest to charges.
- Not have fraudulently received Title IV loans in excess of annual or aggregate limits.
- Have repaid Title IV loan amounts in excess of annual or aggregate limits if obtained inadvertently.
- Not have a federal or state conviction for drug possession or sale, with certain time limitations.

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CARES Act Process for Sheridan Technical College

Step 1: If you have not already done so, please complete the 2019-20 FAFSA. Refer to the “[How to Apply for Financial Aid](#)” section below for instructions. Then move to step 2.

Step 2: Complete the CARES application via your Focus Student Portal at www.browardfocus.com by June 15, 2020. Once logged in, look for the CARES application in the Forms menu.

Focus User ID: 10 digit student #

Password: “P” plus slashes and DOB in the following format: (PMM/DD/YYYY). The password may be different if you changed it from this initial format. If you are unable to log-in and need to reset your password, contact your instructor.

Step 3: Await email notification of approval or denial from the Office of Financial Aid. Notification of your application status may take up to 10 school days. Please note, it takes 5-7 days for STC to have access to your FAFSA once it has been submitted. If approved, a check will be mailed within 30 days of approval to the address provided on your application.

Reasons for Denial

- You were not continuously enrolled in an **on-campus and/or hybrid/blended** Career and Technical Education (CTE) certificate program as of March 16, 2020.
- You were enrolled exclusively in an online Career and Technical Education (CTE) program prior to March 16, 2020 and are not eligible for these funds as set forth by the United States Department of Education.
- You have not met all the eligibility requirements in Title IV of the Higher Education Act as required by the U.S. Department of Education. Refer to the “[CARES Act Qualification Checklist](#)” section on the previous page for details.

How to Apply for Financial Aid

1. Create an FSA ID

The FSA ID allows users to electronically access personal information on Federal Student Aid websites as well as electronically sign a FAFSA. If you are a parent of a dependent student, you will need your own FSA ID if you want to sign your child's FAFSA electronically. Please go to fsaid.ed.gov to create an FSA ID. For assistance with your FSA ID, please contact 1.800.557.7394. Do not give your FSA ID to anyone—not even to someone helping you fill out the FAFSA.

2. Complete and Submit the FAFSA Application

Complete and submit the 2019-20 FAFSA application online at fafsa.ed.gov. STC’s school code is 009902. For assistance contact USDOE’s Help Desk at 1.800.433.3243. We encourage you to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool. Your 2017 tax return will be directly transferred to your FAFSA application. This results in fewer errors and quicker processing times. Please note, it takes 5-7 days for STC to have access to your FAFSA once it has been submitted.

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