Doctor of Medicine

Green Family Student Emergency Fund

The Green Family Student Emergency fund is designated to provide temporary, short-term financial assistance to students enrolled in the Doctor of Medicine program at Duke University School of Medicine who are confronted with unanticipated or emergency financial situations.

Unlike a loan, students are not expected to repay awards from the Green Family Student Emergency Fund. Please be aware that this fund is limited and not all requests can be met with financial assistance. The Duke University School of Medicine works to maintain privacy; however, information may be shared internally on a <u>need-to-know basis only</u>.

Possible reasons to apply for the Green Family Student Emergency Fund

- Support for temporary housing, and/or other essential needs such as food, due to displacement by fire, safety concerns, or other unforeseen event
- Travel costs associated with a personal or family emergency, crisis, or death
- Unforeseen or unusually high medical expenses

This list above is not exhaustive for all situations for which a student may seek financial assistance. However, the following situations are not eligible:

- Tuition, fees and living expenses as outlined in Doctor of Medicine program cost of attendance
- Expenses related to conference/professional development
- Non-essential expenses (e.g. library fines, gym membership)

Application

To apply for emergency funding, please click <u>here</u>. Supporting documents should be attached prior to submitting the application.

Food and/or Housing Insecurity

Students who feel they may be experiencing food and/or housing insecurity are encouraged to apply to this fund. Please be aware that funds are limited, but every effort will be made to work with students on also identifying other resources to support those needs.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must:

- Be currently enrolled in the Doctor of Medicine Program at Duke University School of Medicine
- Have demonstrated financial need
- Show documentation as needed of the financial hardship due to emergency, illness, or other unforeseen event
- Complete the application and provide supporting documentation

All efforts will be made to review requests in a timely fashion. Applicants will be contacted by the Financial Aid Office to set up a phone appointment. You will be contacted via email with a final decision on funding. <u>THE MAXIMUM AWARD IS \$500.00</u>. A student is eligible to receive one award per academic year.

Approval Process

Each request is reviewed individually considering the following factors:

- The specific and immediate impacts the emergency may be having on the student's well-being and academic progress
- The nature and urgency of the emergency and the totality of the students hardships
- Other resources or support that the student may have available to them
- Other information provided at the students request, such as advocates or advisors that may help to illuminate and clarify the students situation

Approval will be based on financial need. Students with unused loan funds will also be provided with borrowing options.

Applicants may be asked to provide feedback on the impact of the fund.