Emergency Retention Awards

Graduate students experiencing financial hardship due to the COVID-19 outbreak are encouraged to apply for an Emergency Retention Award through the Graduate College.

Our emergency fund is intended to provide student support when other financial resources have been exhausted and students have a documented need.

Emergency retention awards can be used for anything that helps you stay enrolled and progress in your program. Need software or a WiFi hotspot? Have unexpected health bills? Need short-term funds to help meet basic needs? We're here to help.

Please note that COVID-19-related requests will not count against the standard Emergency Retention Award policy of only one request per graduate student over the course of your graduate career.

We will review each applicant's circumstances on a case-by-case basis and help in any way possible.

Learn more: tinyurl.com/retentionawards