

BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY STUDENT EMERGENCY FUND

A. DESCRIPTION

The Binghamton University Student Emergency Fund (Fund) is a source of financial assistance for currently enrolled Binghamton University students experiencing unusual and unforeseen financial demands which immediately threaten matriculation, and for which there is no other source of reasonable remedy. Funds are awarded as a grant, and unlike a loan, do not need to be repaid.

B. ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

Student will need to be a currently matriculated student at Binghamton University and taking classes on site. Nature of emergency will be detailed on application and in conversation with Dean of Students (DOS) staff.

The following two broad categories are acceptable reasons for possible support from the Fund:

1.) Medical emergency, including acute psychological crisis and short-term disability, necessitating immediate intervention. Monies would assist in continued matriculation, improved living circumstance, or to cover an expense not covered by insurance or other funding.

2.) An unforeseen crisis in the immediate family or care-giving unit. Unexpected costs such as travel home, communication expenses or other need for which the student is financially unprepared. Crisis may occur due to or a natural or man-made disaster such as a fire or flood.

3.) The Fund should not be used to cover the costs of penalties (internal or external), e.g., laboratory breakage fees, lost ID or meal cards, library fines, legal fees or jail bond. Meal charges, including board during school breaks or winter term cannot be covered by these funds.

The Fund should not be used for normal and anticipated academic expenses (books, tuition, student fees), which are standard considerations for financial assistance through the Office of Financial Aid. (Funds may be used for these purposes in extreme cases). The Fund Administrator should consult with the Vice President for Student Affairs or designee and the Office of Financial Aid prior to making a decision. Submit completed forms to the Dean of Students Office In person: U UW-205 | E-mail: dos@binghamton.edu | Fax: 607-777-6486

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST FORM
BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY STUDENT EMERGENCY FUND**

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Today's date:

First name:

Last name:

Check class: ___ Freshman ___ Sophomore ___ Junior ___ Senior ___ Grad Student

Local Address:

B-Number:

Phone #:

E-mail:

Amount requested:

Date needed:

How will you use funds?

Please indicate other sources you have used/approached for assistance in this regard:

Student's signature:

Approved by: _____ Date: _____

Comments:

All students receiving assistance from this fund must submit receipts within 10 days. Failure to do so could prohibit use of this fund in the future. Contact the Dean of Students at dos@binghamton.edu or (607) 777-2804.