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Dear MCNY Students,

We know that the last two months have been extraordinarily difficult and challenging for you and your loved ones. And we know that many of you are working on the front lines as essential workers in human services, public administration, emergency management and business positions. **We want you to know that the MCNY community stands with you, and we salute your hard work and your resilience during the COVID-19 crisis.**

In order to help you manage through the COVID-19 crisis while staying on track with your studies, we are pleased to announce that **emergency cash grants of \$350** are being made available to students this semester thanks to the provisions of the federal CARES Act. The students who are eligible for these grants are those who were enrolled in the spring 2020 semester as of April 22; are eligible to apply for federal Title IV funding; and who were not enrolled exclusively online prior to March 13, 2020. These emergency funds are designed to help students cover expenses related to the cost of attendance—such as food, housing, course materials, healthcare, childcare, and technology— that emerged out of the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19.

To apply for these funds, you must indicate the nature of your emergency need on [this brief form](#). Once you apply for these funds, you will be notified within a week if you have been approved for a grant. If you do not have urgent needs right now, please do not apply. The College expects to offer additional emergency grants to enrolled students in the summer and fall 2020 semesters. The tax status of these funds is not yet clear; we will communicate to you when we have confirmed that information. The deadline for submitting your application is May 1, 2020.

As always, every member of the MCNY community is here to support you, not only through the next few months but all the way through to your degree. Please don't hesitate to contact your faculty members, your advisors, Library or E-Learning staff, and the mentors and tutors in the Learning Enhancement Center if you need additional assistance with your classes or with other needs. Faculty and staff will continue to do their very best to assist you.

The strength of the MCNY community sustains all of us. We are, and will remain, stronger TOGETHER.

Sincerely,

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