



Economic Hardship Grant Application 2024-2025

Please TYPE Responses

Student Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Student ID: _____

Personal Email: _____

Grade Level: ___ FR ___ SO ___ JR ___ SR

Semester: ___ Fall 2024 ___ Spring 2025

NAU created the Economic Hardship Grant to help eligible undergraduate students with exceptional financial need continue their education. If you have recently experienced a **documentable** financial hardship that affects your ability to pay for your educational expenses, you are encouraged to apply. This need-based grant is intended to help students pay for their tuition and fees and is **not** meant to pay for personal expenses, such as rent, car note/repairs, medical bills, utilities, etc. All applications must include the following requirements:

- **PERSONAL STATEMENT** – type a **detailed** personal statement in the box below that describes you and/or your family’s financial hardship and how these grant funds will help. Attach a separate typed statement if additional space is needed.
- **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION** – **attach** documentation that supports the details described in your personal statement (i.e., medical bills, unemployment records, eviction notice, etc.). Supporting documentation does **not** include school records (i.e., grades, account balance/statement, etc.) as this information is already available to the committee. All supporting documentation must be translated into English, and all monetary amounts must be converted to U.S. dollars.

Upload the completed form AND required supporting documents to your [Financial Aid Student Portal](#) for review by the deadline. **Applications received without supporting documentation or after the deadline will not be accepted or reviewed.** The NAU Grant & Scholarship Committee will meet **bi-weekly** to review applications after the semester begins. Students will be notified of the committee's decision via school email and awarded (if eligible) within **two (2) business days** of the bi-weekly meeting. **The committee’s decision is final. Requests for re-consideration will not be accepted.**

Grant Amount Requested: \$ _____

Signing this form certifies that all information provided is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I have read the important information listed on page 2 of this application and I understand that submission of this form does not guarantee approval. Award amounts vary and funding is limited to availability. Incomplete submissions will not be accepted.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

DEADLINE

- All applications and supporting documentation must be received by the semester deadline listed below. Late submissions will **not** be accepted:

Fall 2024 Application – October 11, 2024

Spring 2025 Application – February 28, 2025

U.S. RESIDENT STUDENTS

- Resident students may apply after attending at least **one** (1) semester at NAU.
- Resident students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and have a valid student aid index (**SAI**) on file with demonstrated **financial need** (as determined by the FAFSA) to apply.
- Students with remaining Federal Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized loans available to borrow will not be considered.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

- International students may apply after attending at least **two** (2) semesters at NAU.
- International students are limited to receiving a combined total of \$22,000 in institutional grants and scholarships per academic year (up to \$11,000 per semester). Applications for students who have reached the annual maximum will not be accepted.

GRANT FUNDING LIMITS

- Students may receive an Economic Hardship Grant up to a maximum total of **two** (2) times throughout their undergraduate program. Additional applications received beyond the maximum limit will **not** be considered.
- The second application must be for a different economic hardship reason/event than the previously approved application.
- The approved grant amount cannot result in a refund. Awards may be reduced or cancelled for changes in the student's account statement or financial aid eligibility.
- Grant funds are limited and are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Once funding is exhausted, no further grants will be offered.