

# International Student Hardship Application



The purpose of the Ara Hardship Grant is to assist fully enrolled International students whose continued study would be threatened by **unanticipated** financial circumstances due to COVID-19.

## Do you meet the criteria?

I have exhausted all other means of obtaining assistance before applying (i.e. embassy/consulate, savings, overdraft, family etc).

Yes No

I have attended my course for a minimum of **four (4) weeks** before applying. (your attendance will be checked and it must be regular to be eligible for assistance.)

Yes No

My application will not be considered if received within **seven (7) days of the course end date**.

Yes No

### **Note: There is a maximum amount of \$1000 assistance per student.**

Please see Student Support at your campus or email: [studentsupport@ara.ac.nz](mailto:studentsupport@ara.ac.nz), phone 0800 24 24 76.

- 1 Submit the completed application form to Student Support or email.
  - 2 Please make sure you email or bring the following with you:
    - full bank statement on all your accounts showing the last 30 days' activity, including your credit card account and any joint accounts (an ATM printout will not be sufficient)
    - a completed Budget form (attached)
- Yes No
- Yes No

Where possible you will be contacted within two working days.

## Your name and details

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Student ID number

Programme/course

Surname or family name

Given name(s)

Address

Telephone Home

Mobile

Email

Date of Birth

Nationality

Marital status          Single          Married          De Facto

Dependent children          No          Yes    If yes, list their ages

Do you live alone?          No          Yes

Do you have support from family in NZ?

## Financial situation

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Have you received an Ara Hardship Grant so far this year?          Yes          No

Have you applied for emergency assistance from your embassy or consulate?          Yes          No\*

Do you have a student banking package with an overdraft facility?          Yes          No\*

Do you currently have regular paid employment?          Yes          No

Considering your course commitments and visa requirements, do you intend looking for work?          Yes          No

*\*For applications to be considered, you must have exhausted all other means of assistance.*

What financial support are you able to obtain from your parents or relatives?

What amount are you seeking from the International Ara Hardship Grant?

Tell us what has changed in your circumstances that has put you into temporary hardship?  
What are your needs right now?

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Are you attending classes regularly and are your assessments up to date?

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**I hereby declare that the information that I have given is true and correct; no information which could have a material bearing on my application has been withheld. I understand the making of a false declaration is an offence under the Crimes Act 1961.**

**The personal information you provide on this application is protected by the Privacy Act 1993.**

It will not be used for any purpose other than assessing your eligibility for an Ara Hardship Grant and for compiling statistics.

Signed

Date

# Budget Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**When you are completing this budget form, please include all income sources, eg including your partner/spouse if applicable, and list the total expenses.**

How many adults/children does this budget cover?

Adults \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_

## HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Wages/salary  
Income Support payments  
Other income  
**Total income**

	Monthly	Weekly
Wages/salary		
Income Support payments		
Other income		
<b>Total income</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

## TRAVEL COSTS

Fares (eg bus, train)  
Petrol/fuel  
Car insurance  
Car registration  
Car warrent of fitness  
Car maintenance/repairs  
**Total travel costs**

	Monthly	Weekly
Fares (eg bus, train)		
Petrol/fuel		
Car insurance		
Car registration		
Car warrent of fitness		
Car maintenance/repairs		
<b>Total travel costs</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

## GENERAL COSTS

Alcohol/cigarettes  
Entertainment  
Childcare  
Hire purchase/s  
Bank fees  
Club fees/subscriptions  
Donations  
Fines  
Court required payments  
Other (please specify)  
**Total general costs**

	Monthly	Weekly
Alcohol/cigarettes		
Entertainment		
Childcare		
Hire purchase/s		
Bank fees		
Club fees/subscriptions		
Donations		
Fines		
Court required payments		
Other (please specify)		
<b>Total general costs</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

## HOUSEHOLD COSTS

Rent/board  
Mortgage  
Groceries  
Power  
Gas  
Phone (landline/mobile/internet)  
Rental of goods  
Rates  
House maintenance  
Household goods  
Insurance (house/contents)  
**Total household costs**

	Monthly	Weekly
Rent/board		
Mortgage		
Groceries		
Power		
Gas		
Phone (landline/mobile/internet)		
Rental of goods		
Rates		
House maintenance		
Household goods		
Insurance (house/contents)		
<b>Total household costs</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

## FAMILY COSTS

Child support payments  
School fees/donations  
School uniforms  
Medical costs  
Dental costs  
Prescription costs  
Pet registration  
Veterinary fees  
Clothes and shoes  
Holidays  
Gifts  
Life insurance/superannuation  
**Total family costs**

	Monthly	Weekly
Child support payments		
School fees/donations		
School uniforms		
Medical costs		
Dental costs		
Prescription costs		
Pet registration		
Veterinary fees		
Clothes and shoes		
Holidays		
Gifts		
Life insurance/superannuation		
<b>Total family costs</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

	Monthly	Weekly
Total household income		
Total household costs		
Total travel costs		
Total general costs		
Total family costs		
<b>Total household surplus/shortfall</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

Note: Figures on the budget advice form have been supplied by the student. Ara takes no responsibility for their accuracy.