



Dear,

Our records indicate that you did not successfully complete the fall semester (term 202040). You either withdrew from the courses in which you were enrolled and/or you did not earn a passing grade in any of the courses. Your financial aid package for that semester included federal student loans, parent PLUS loans and/or federal Pell Grant funds.

Financial aid is disbursed at the beginning of the semester with the expectation that the student will successfully complete their courses and earn the financial aid paid on their behalf. When students do not successfully complete the semester, the financial aid office must determine how much financial aid the student earned. Unearned financial aid must be returned to the U.S. Department of Education.

In response to the ongoing national health emergency, the U.S. Department of Education has issued guidance that allows federal student and parent PLUS loan amounts borrowed for the semesters covered to be forgiven under certain circumstances. In addition, if the student received a federal Pell Grant during this same semester, the amount will be excluded from the student's lifetime limit. Please review your financial aid tab and/or account billing records for the aid provided during the affected semester.

Please complete the enclosed form immediately. When considering the circumstances of your withdrawal/failure, interpret your situation broadly in terms of social, mental, and physical health responses to the emergency and changes in campus environment due to the restrictions put in place under CDC guidance. Once you have completed and signed the enclosed form, go to <https://rowan.verifymyfafsa.com> using your mobile device so that you can upload a picture of it. You will need to log in with your Rowan network credentials. Do not include any other notes or documentation.

What happens next?

- If you indicated that the withdrawal was related to the COVID-19 emergency, we will initiate the forgiveness of your loans and restoration of Pell Grant lifetime usage eligibility. You will receive emails from Federal Student Aid once the process is complete. You will also be able to see the changes when you log in at www.studentaid.gov.
- If you indicated that it was not related, we will calculate if any of your financial aid must be returned to the US Department of Education. This may create a balance due to the University. If so, you will receive a bill for the balance due.

Best Wishes,

Heidi Kovalick, FAAC
Director, Financial Aid

PS. If more than one semester was withdrawn or failed, we will send a form for each semester where aid was impacted.



Student Withdrawal Attestation

Section 3508 of the CARES Act directs the U.S. Department of Education to waive the statutory requirement for institutions to return Title IV funds as the result of student withdrawals related to a qualifying emergency.

BACKGROUND: "Upon receipt of information from an institution indicating that a covered student has withdrawn, the Department will cancel the entire amount of any disbursement of a Direct Loan borrowed by the student or his or her parent for the payment period or period of enrollment. Additionally, under Sections 3506 and 3507 of the CARES Act, the Department will exclude from a student's Subsidized Loan usage and Pell Grant lifetime eligibility used (LEU) any payment period that the student does not complete due to a qualifying emergency. Additionally, the Department will cancel disbursements of TEACH Grants received by a covered student for the payment period or period of enrollment from which the student withdrew and restore grant eligibility for that amount." *Office of Postsecondary Education, Electronic Announcement, published May 15, 2020, updated June 16, 2020.*

A student is considered to have withdrawn from an enrollment term if they follow the school's prescribed process to withdraw from all of the courses in that term; or they fail to earn any academic credit during the term - either all F's, W's, NC, or a combination of these.

Name: _____
(Please Print)

Rowan Student ID#: _____

I did not complete the Fall 2020/40 semester at Rowan University.

Check one box

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| | <p>The withdrawal was the result of the COVID-19 emergency. <i>Allowable circumstances include, <u>but are not limited to</u>, illness (mental or physical) of the student or family member, need to become a caregiver or first responder, loss of childcare, economic hardship, inability to access Wi-Fi or due to closed facilities, or an increase in work hours as a result of the COVID-19 emergency.</i></p> |
| | <p>The withdrawal was NOT the result of the COVID-19 emergency. <i>The reason I withdrew from the semester was not related to any hardships experienced by myself or family as a result of the national emergency. I withdrew for other reasons.</i></p> |

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Upload the completed form at: <https://rowan.verifymyfafs.com> using your mobile device. When you click the UPLOAD button, your camera will open to snap a picture of the form. Continue through the process until you click the green FINISH button.