

Subject: Important Instruction and Student Services Updates and Questions Answered – June 2, 2021
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Greetings.

We know the pandemic has resulted in unexpected financial burdens for many of you. We also know you may have questions about additional federal funding that can be used to help cover these expenses. We appreciate your patience as the College actively works on reviewing federal guidance and distributing the funds.

As a reminder, HACC received a grant through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) that was authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. This was signed into law March 27, 2020, and provided emergency financial aid grants to students. The College distributed all of those monies to students. Details about those distributions are available at hacc.edu/CARESact.

Additionally, the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) was signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020. The act includes a portion of funding dedicated to students for emergency financial aid grants (similar to the 2020 CARES Act).

The U.S. Department of Education released guidance for CRRSAA on May 14, 2021. The College is committed to following the terms of the grant and the guidance provided by the U.S. Department of Education.

At this time, the College is still determining the following related to CRRSAA funds for eligible students:

- The methodology that will be used to allocate the funds
- The amount of emergency financial aid grants
- The method by which funds will be disbursed
- The timeframe for when funds will be disbursed

Additional updates will be communicated via email and posted on hacc.edu/CARESact.

Again, thank you for your patience.

As you have come to expect, following are the commonly asked questions and our responses to them. Please note that some of these responses are tentative and subject to change.

If you have additional questions and you do not see the answers on the [website](#), please submit the online form located on the website. Please see the webpage section called “Information for Students.”

We will continue to update you regularly via email and the aforementioned website.

Thank you!

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1. Our campus grounds are now open to the public. What does that mean?

The general public may:

- Park on campus
- Walk the campus grounds

We will also allow outside events (but not inside events) to be held on our campuses. An example of this is the Dauphin County and UPMC COVID-19 vaccination clinic on HACC’s Harrisburg Campus.

Additionally, tenants are authorized to come back on campus.

This information is *tentative and subject to change*.

Please:

- Note that our *buildings* will *not* be accessible to the public.
- Continue self-screening each day. Although HACC is no longer providing wellness screening for you, it is important to evaluate how you feel. If you are feeling any symptoms of COVID-19 or have had a fever over 100.4 degrees within 48 hours prior to coming to campus, please DO NOT come to campus. Please notify the College by emailing corona@hacc.edu. Describe whether you tested positive, have symptoms or have been in contact with someone who has tested positive. Contact is defined as within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more.

Your safety will continue to be our top priority! Although we cannot control COVID-19 and how it spreads, we will continue to do our part to help maintain student, employee and building safety by following protocols, as per governor’s orders and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations.

2. I heard that PSECU is hosting a free webinar on shopping for a credit card.

Could you please provide more information so that I can tune in?

With a variety of credit cards available, it is important to choose the right one. On June 8 at noon, PSECU is hosting, “Wallet Works – How to Shop for a Credit Card Webinar” to provide tips for choosing a credit card and more!

By June 7, please use [this link](#) to register for the webinar.

Please note that attendance is open to all – even those who are not PSECU members.

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