

University of the District of Columbia  
**FIREBIRD SUCCESS GRANT APPLICATION-Spring 2018**

UDC undergraduate students who have experienced an unexpected short-term hardship are able to apply for a **ONE-TIME** FIREBIRD Success grant. This program is being administered by the Division of Student Development and Success in accordance with applicable University rules and policies. The fund itself is limited and, therefore, the following criteria have been established.

1. Applicants must be full-time degree-seeking undergraduate students with 30 hours or more at UDC at the time of request for the hardship.
2. Applicants must be registered for a minimum of twelve (12) semester hours for the term in which the hardship occurred. The student must also apply for the funds in the term in which the hardship occurred although applicants may submit their application into the next term if the timing of the event that caused the hardship necessitates such action. (*current semester*)
3. Award decisions will be made based on the applicant's individual situation, but amounts awarded are subject to limitations and the applicant may not receive the total amount requested. Grants will generally be no more than **\$1,250.00** due to limited funds available; however, when completing the application please indicate the total amount needed even if it exceeds the set amount of **\$1,250.00**. The approved amount will **not** be greater than the documented expense. It is not within the scope of this grant to fund expected expenses.
4. International students are ineligible to apply.
5. The Firebird Success Grant application must be filled out completely before submission to the Division of Student Development and Success and include a signed explanation of the reasons you believe your situation warrants the grant and supporting documentation.
6. Grants awarded under this program are not subject to repayment and the amount of any awarded grant will be reported to the student's tax form 1098-T. All funds will be applied directly to the students account after all financial aid options have been exhausted. (***No refunds from the grant will be issued***).
7. The grant may be considered taxable income. Individuals should contact their tax professional to make a determination on whether or not this grant is taxable.
8. Students awarded a **ONE-TIME** Firebird Success Grant during the course of their degree(s):
  - a. Must provide a valid and active student ID at the time of request.
  - b. Must complete and sign an application with supporting documents.
9. Completed application forms should be submitted to the Division of Student Development and Success, Building 38-A09. Questions related to the success grant program should be directed [nadiath.saibou@udc.edu](mailto:nadiath.saibou@udc.edu)

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Applicants must be a full-time degree-seeking undergraduate student registered for **a minimum of twelve (12) hours**, for the term in which the grant is being requested. The grant is not subject to repayment. The amount of any awarded grant will be reported on tax form 1098-T. The grant may be considered taxable income and students are encouraged to contact a tax professional to make a determination on whether or not this grant is taxable. Students will be awarded a **ONE-TIME** Firebird Success Grant during the course of their degree(s). Applications, including all supporting materials, should be submitted in one package to the Division of Student Development and Success, 38-A Level-A09.

1. Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ N#: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Last) (First) (Middle)*
2. Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Academic semester are you are requesting grant assistance: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Total hours of registration for term requesting grant (must be minimum of 12hours): \_\_\_\_\_
7. Amount of grant requested: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
8. Have you received student loans for this term? No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_
9. Have you maximized or utilized all financial aid available to you? No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_
10. Have you met with financial aid to examine and review all other options available you?  
No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor Signature	Financial Aid Signature

**Specify below (or attach a signed explanation) the reasons you believe your situation warrants the award of this grant. Attach supporting documentation.**

**Signature of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Application Received Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Application Review Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Enrollment Management Review Date: \_\_\_\_\_ By whom: \_\_\_\_\_

**Committee Decision:**

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Denied: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_