



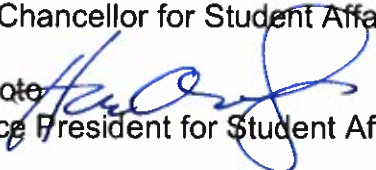
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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Addressing COVID-19 disruptions to the University of Hawai'i RAPS
Scholarship

The purpose of this memo is to address common questions posed from Regents and Presidential Scholars regarding COVID-19 related disruptions. Please see the common questions and answers below. This information will be communicated directly to the current RAPS Scholars and subsequently posted on the Office of Student Affairs websites.

1. Will the Manoa Freshman Regent Scholars living in dorms still eligible for their scholarships if they decide to move out of the dorms during this time?

During this time of uncertainty with COVID-19, we understand that students may choose to leave the dorms to practice safe social distancing. Under these circumstances, this decision will not impact the Regents Scholars future scholarship eligibility. Students should notify their RAPS advisor if they have chosen to do so.

2. If RAPS students were enrolled in study abroad during spring 2020, can they still maintain their eligibility for an additional semester?

We understand that decisions made to combat COVID-19 have disrupted many academic plans. RAPS students who were planning to be enrolled in a study abroad program in Spring 2020 and their study plans disrupted, will be afforded



one additional semester to complete their academic program; as it is too late to be enrolled at UH for Spring 2020. The additional semester can include summer. Students should notify their academic and RAPS advisor regarding any changes.

3. If a RAPS graduating senior was planning to utilize their travel grant in Spring 2020 can the travel grant still be requested?

To receive the travel grant, scholars must be still a student. Unfortunately, travel grants cannot be awarded to students who have graduated.

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