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# USM Offers \$1,000 Scholarships For First Responders, Essential Workers

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In recognition of the risks first responders and front-line essential service providers take every day in service to their communities during the pandemic, the University of Southern Maine has announced a new scholarship worth up to \$1,000 for eligible students.

The new scholarship is available to 50 students enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs at USM's campuses in Portland, Gorham and Lewiston-Auburn.

USM President Glenn Cummings said the scholarship is an expression of thanks on behalf of the university community and an acknowledgment of the roles first responders and front-line critical service providers are playing in keeping Maine citizens safe, healthy and fed during the pandemic.

"During this period of unprecedented challenges, we have come to understand just how essential these people are to keeping us going — as individuals and as a society," explained President Cummings. "It's only fitting that we recognize the importance of the work they are doing and the risks they are taking by helping to make their college education more affordable."

To acknowledge and support a wide range of students, USM has broadly defined eligible first responders and front-line essential service providers as including, but not limited to, health care professionals, firefighters, police officers, paramedics, grocery store employees, delivery services workers and transportation providers.

New and returning USM students seeking the First Responder-Essential Worker Scholarship must complete and submit an application by 4:30 p.m., June 30, 2020.

New and returning USM students can learn more and apply for the Essential Workers' Scholarship at [usm.maine.edu/scholarships/usm-first-responders-essential-workers-scholarship](http://usm.maine.edu/scholarships/usm-first-responders-essential-workers-scholarship).

