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Subject: Chancellor's Computer Replacement Fund Application

Dear Chancellor's Computer Replacement Fund applicant:

Under the MSP contract, the University provides various funds to support the professional activities of faculty and librarians including the Chancellor's Computer Replacement Fund (CCRF). Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the University and the MSP have agreed to postpone distribution of spring CCRF funds until the Fall of 2020. The current year's CCRF funds have been re-budgeted to establish an emergency relief fund to provide financial assistance to bargaining unit members who have incurred technology or unexpected childcare costs associated with moving to remote course delivery and other remote work during the COVID-19 virus.

All MSP Bargaining unit members, including those who previously applied for Spring CCRF funds, are invited to apply for emergency relief funds through the University's [Academic Personnel Workflow System \(APWS\)](#).

Unlike the computer reimbursements under the CCRF program, successful applicants to the MSP Emergency Relief Fund will receive a taxable subsidy in their paycheck for the full or partial amount of the equipment purchased. Moreover, individuals will personally own the equipment with no restrictions as to use.

Your application for CCRF funds will be reviewed in the Fall with no need to reapply, however if you receive funds through the MSP Emergency Relief Fund for a similar purchase, your potential CCRF award may be offset accordingly. The normal procedures and criteria for Fall CCRF funds will still apply. Questions regarding either program can be directed to academic.personnel@umass.edu.

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