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# Financial Aid: What's Next

Student Financial Services

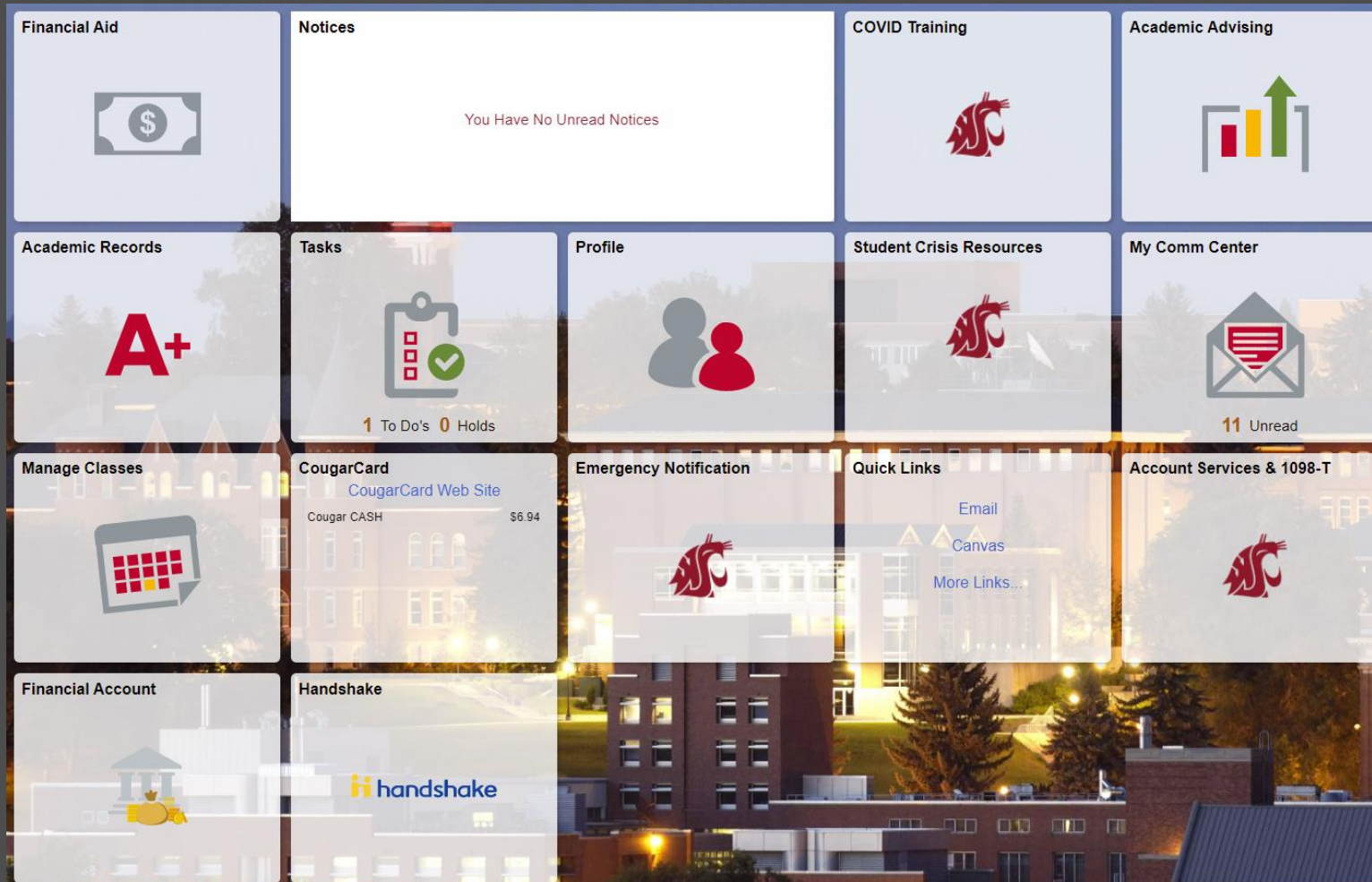
# WHERE YOU SHOULD BE

- Submitted FAFSA/WASFA.
- Completed WSU General Scholarship Application.
- Addressed any verification items we've requested.
- Familiarized yourself with myWSU.



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# myWSU HOMEPAGE



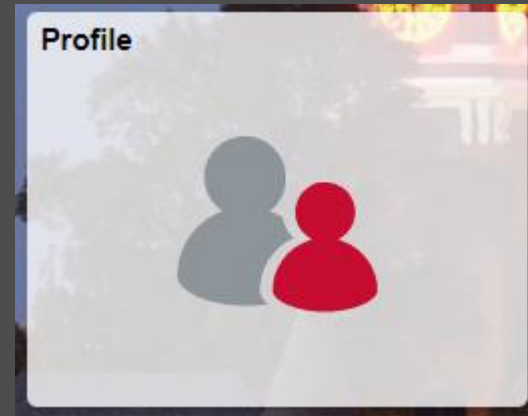
The dashboard is a grid of 16 tiles with a background image of a WSU building at night. The tiles are arranged as follows:

- Financial Aid:** Icon of a dollar bill.
- Notices:** Text: "You Have No Unread Notices".
- COVID Training:** WSU cougar head icon.
- Academic Advising:** Bar chart icon with an upward arrow.
- Academic Records:** Large "A+" grade icon.
- Tasks:** Clipboard icon with a checkmark. Text: "1 To Do's 0 Holds".
- Profile:** Two person icons (one grey, one red).
- Student Crisis Resources:** WSU cougar head icon.
- My Comm Center:** Envelope icon with a red letter. Text: "11 Unread".
- Manage Classes:** Calendar icon.
- CougarCard:** Text: "CougarCard Web Site", "Cougar CASH", "\$6.94".
- Emergency Notification:** WSU cougar head icon.
- Quick Links:** Text: "Email", "Canvas", "More Links...".
- Account Services & 1098-T:** WSU cougar head icon.
- Financial Account:** Icon of a building with gold coins.
- Handshake:** Handshake logo and text: "handshake".

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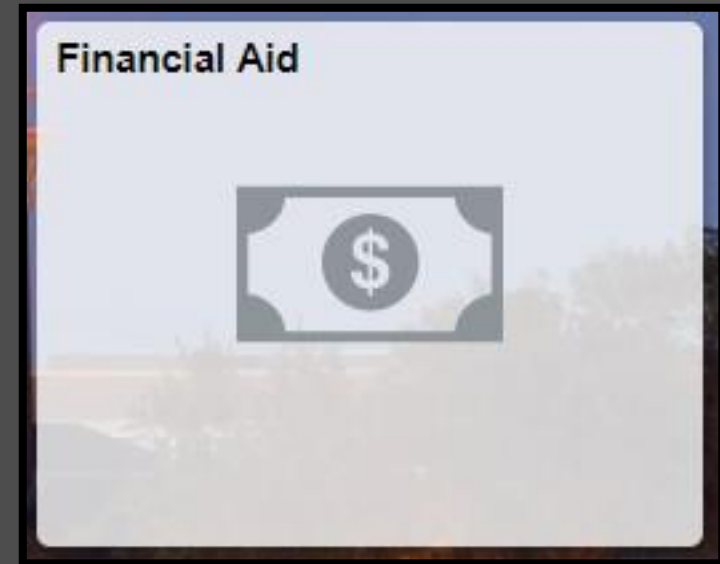
# THIRD PARTY ACCESS

- This is something you set up for your parent(s) in your **PROFILE** tile.
- Parent gets their own myWSU account, but they see YOUR charges, financial aid, etc.
- Allows parent to apply for the parent plus loan.
- Make sure to give them a code to speak to WSU via phone.



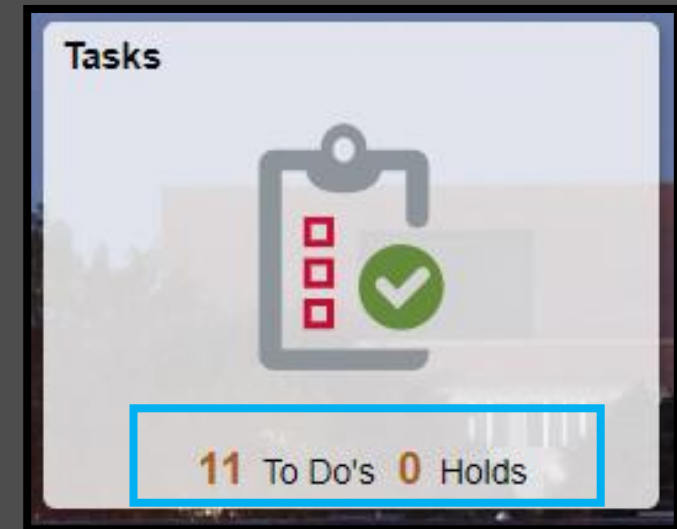
# FINANCIAL AID

- View your financial aid offer.
- Accept or decline your awards.
- Print your award letter.
- See the breakdown of your financial aid by semester.



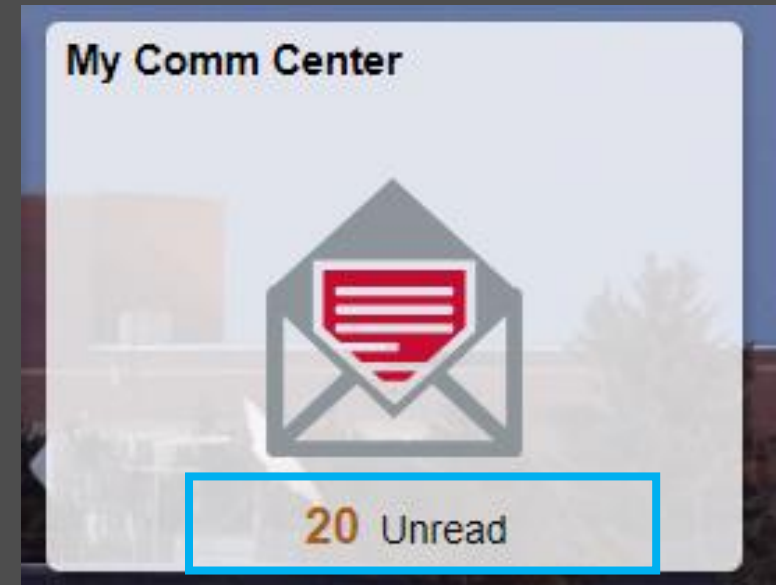
# TASK

- View outstanding to do items and see what documents WSU departments are requesting from you.
- View the links to submit requested documents.
- WSU holds and what is needed to remove hold.



# MY COMM CENTER

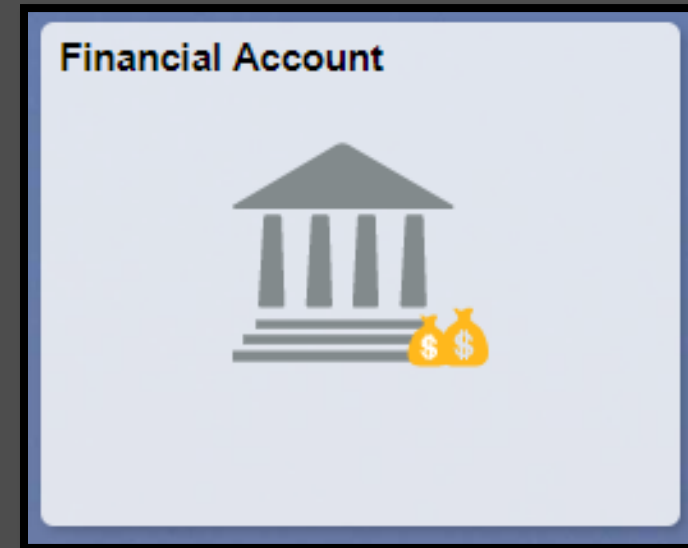
- View emails from various WSU offices.
- These will also be sent to your WSU email.
- Can view new or read emails.
- SFS uses to let you know if we need something from you, or if we've made a chance to your account.



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# FINANCIAL ACCOUNT

- Make a payment.
- Check your due charges.
- Check your account activity.





# ACCOUNT SERVICES & 1098 T

- Set up direct deposit.
- Authorize financial aid to apply to ALL charges.
- Download a copy of your 1098T (*for tax filing purposes*).



# UTILIZING STUDENT LOANS

- Accept your loans on myWSU (*available in July*).
- Sign your Master Promissory Note (MPN).
- Complete the one-time Entrance Counseling.
- Half your loan will disburse in fall, and half in spring.
- All loans have a small loan fee that is applied.



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# ACCEPTING YOUR LOANS

Logged on as: Lexie Curcio

2020-2021 [Change](#)

Awards

Summary

**Accept/Decline**

Disbursements

Financial Aid Summary

### Accept/Decline

Status: Click pencil to accept/decline

Submit Actions

Award Description/Category	Award Decision	Reduce	Offered	Accepted
<b>Fed Emerg Relief Grant</b> Grant	Accept	<input type="checkbox"/>	1,000.00	1,000.00
<b>COVID CCG EGA WSU Match</b> Scholarship	Accept	<input type="checkbox"/>	1,000.00	1,000.00
<b>Washington College Grant</b> Grant	Accept	<input type="checkbox"/>	1,074.00	1,074.00
<b>Institutional Grant</b> Grant	Accept	<input type="checkbox"/>	2,500.00	2,500.00
<b>Federal Work Study</b> Work/Study	Accept	<input type="checkbox"/>	5,000.00	5,000.00
<b>Totals</b>			<b>10,574.00</b>	<b>10,574.00</b>

Currency used is US Dollar

To accept or decline awards, use the pencil icon. You may accept or decline any or all of the awards that are currently available. Remember to "Submit" your changes if you make further adjustments. Otherwise, check back periodically for updates to your financial aid package.

## Steps:

1. Log into myWSU
2. Select the Financial Aid Tile
3. Click on Awards
4. Choose Accept/Decline
5. By selecting the pencil icon, you can accept or decline your loans.

Grants and scholarships are ALWAYS accepted on your behalf!

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# FINANCIAL AID TIMELINE

Student can accept student loans

Parent can apply for Parent PLUS loan

Tuition, fees, room and board and other WSU charges post to students' accounts.

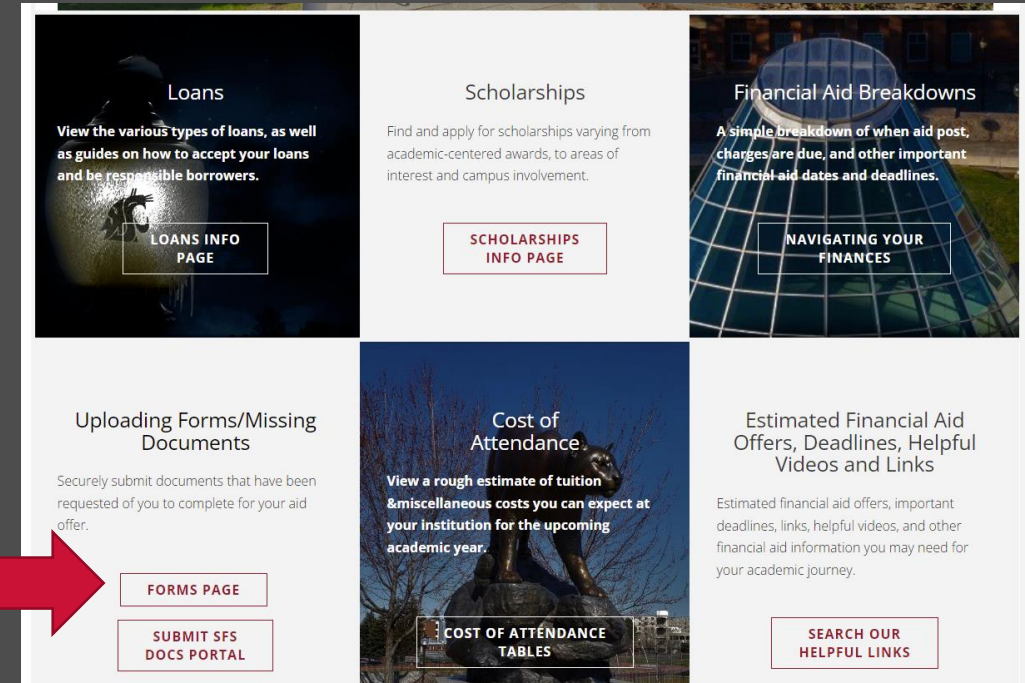
JULY

AUGUST

ONE WEEK BEFORE FIRST DAY OF CLASS: Financial aid releases (disburses) and applies to charges.

# HAS SOMETHING CHANGED

- FAFSA/WASFA are a snapshot of income and family situation from two years prior, which may not reflect your current situation.
- **Special Circumstance Appeal** - if your family's income or family size has changed. We update your FAFSA/WASFA, and aid package.
- **Revision Request** – if your actual COSTS are higher than we budget for. We update your cost of attendance and aid package.



Questions? Email our team:  
[specialcircumstances@wsu.edu](mailto:specialcircumstances@wsu.edu)



# COUGAR MONEY MATTERS

- WSU's FREE financial literacy program
  - [cmm.wsu.edu](http://cmm.wsu.edu)
- Online resources for topics such as:
  - Banking, student loan repayment, debt management, credit
- Cash Course
  - Online classes, self-study or instructor led
  - Customizable budget worksheets and calculators
  - Debt trackers



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# REMINDERS FOR NEXT YEAR!

FAFSA/WASFA Opens **October 1, 2022**  
*complete every year to get aid*

FAFSA/WASFA **Priority** deadline: **November 30, 2022**  
Verification **Priority** Date: **February 15, 2023**

WSU General Scholarship Application Opens **September 2022**  
**Deadline: January 31, 2023 ← THIS IS A HARD DEADLINE!**

# WSU CONTACTS

## HOUSING & DINING

- **Handles:** RDA accounts, Coug Cash, on campus housing

509-335-8625

hd.finance@wsu.edu

## REGISTRAR

- **Handles:** residency changes, enrollment verifications

509-335-5346

registrar@wsu.edu

## BURSAR'S OFFICE

- **Handles:** GET accounts, paying your bill, refunds, student charges.

509-335-9711 option 9

bursar.office@wsu.edu

## VETERAN AFFAIRS

- **Handles:** GI Bill processing, veteran waivers & benefits

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# WSU RESOURCES



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# CONTACT OUR TEAM

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We have in-person appointments available!

For handouts and presentations:

