

Financial Aid: What's Next

WHERE YOU SHOULD BE

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

Let's get to know myWSU!



IMPORTANT TERMS



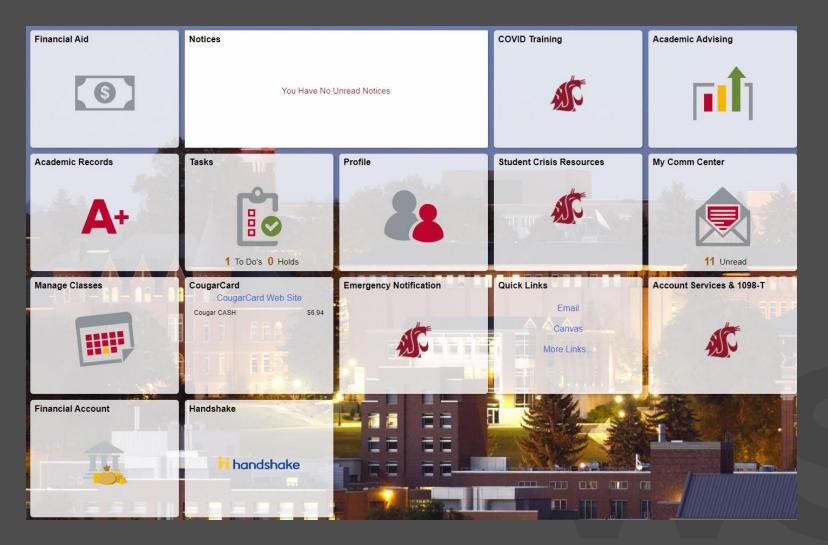
COA: Estimated cost of attending a specific university

EFC: Expected Family
Contribution number
determined by Dept. of Ed
based on FAFSA or WASFA. An
eligibility index used to award
financial aid

Need-based aid:

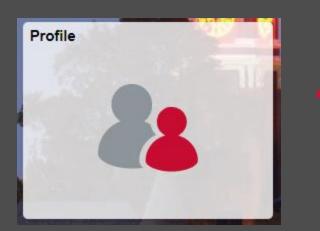
- Scholarships
- Grants
- Subsidized Loans

myWSU HOMEPAGE my.wsu.edu



THIRD PARTY ACCESS

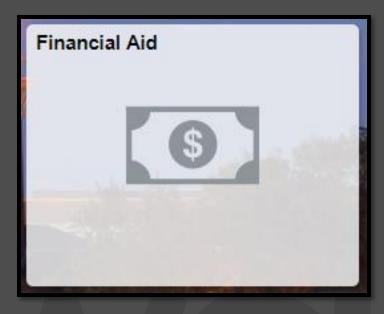
- This is something you set up for your parent(s) in your **PROFILE** tile.
- Parent gets their own myWSU account, but they see YOUR charges, financial aid, etc.
- Allows parent to apply for the parent plus loan.
- Make sure to give them a code to speak to WSU via phone.





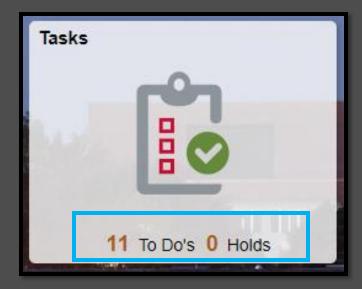
FINANCIAL AID

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



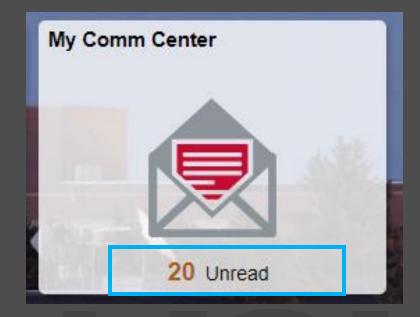
TASK

- 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.



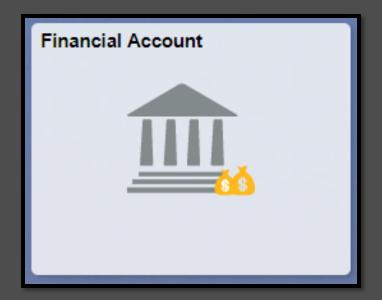
MY COMM CENTER

- 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 change to your account.



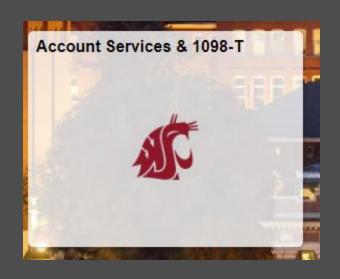
FINANCIAL ACCOUNT

- 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.
- Sign your Master Promissory Note (MPN).
- Complete the one-time Entrance Counseling.
- All loans have a small loan fee that is applied.

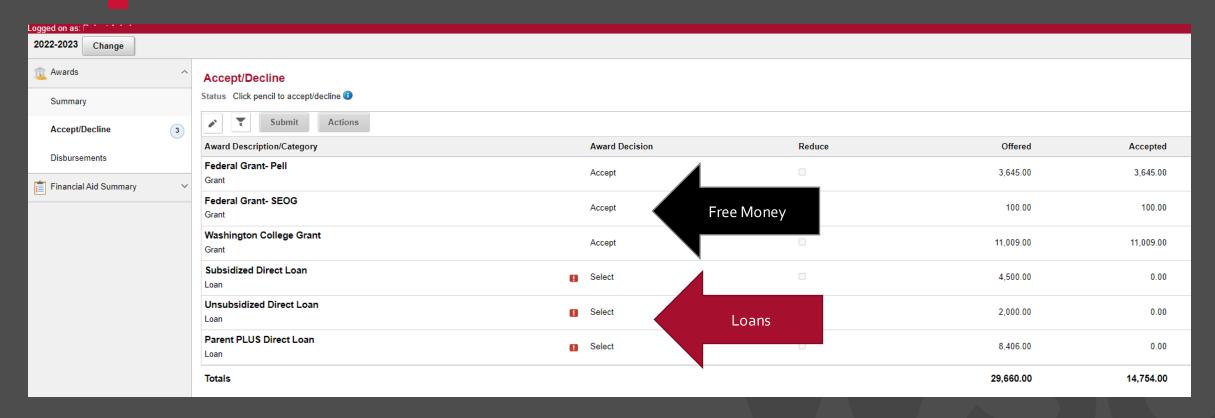
ACCEPTING YOUR LOANS

Grants and scholarships are ALWAYS accepted on your behalf!

https://financialaid.wsu.edu/accepting-your-loans/

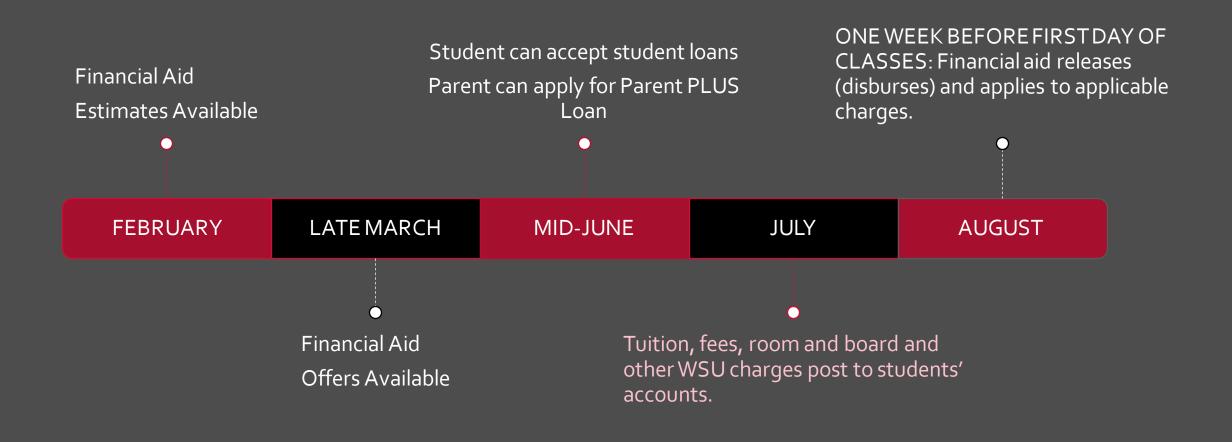
Steps:

- 1. Log into myWSU
- 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.



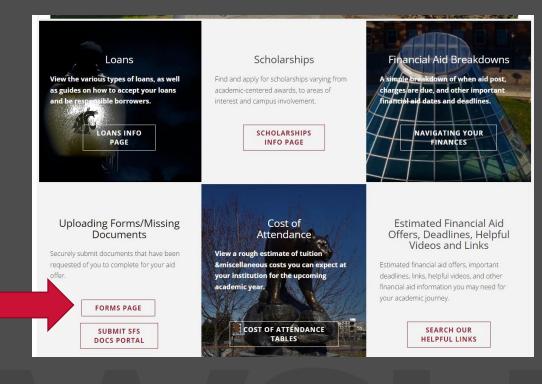
Loans that are declined or removed via rolling loan cancellation can be re-offered via Loan Action Request form

FINANCIAL AID TIMELINE Students starting Fall 2023



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.



https://financialaid.wsu.edu/special-circumstances/

COUGAR MONEY MATTERS

WSU's FREE financial literacy program

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

https://cmm.wsu.edu





- FAFSA opens **December 2023**
 - complete every year to get aid
 - This is an exception for 2024-2025 and usually opens October 1st
- WASFA will open at the same time as FAFSA
- Priority Deadlines:
 - February 15th, 2024 File your FAFSA/WASFA
 - April 15th, 2024 Submit verification documents (if selected)
- WSU General Scholarship Application Opens September 2023
 - Deadline: January 31, 2024 ← THIS IS A HARD DEADLINE!



STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

- Grants
- Scholarships
- Loans
- Work-study
- FAFSA/WASFA help
- 509-335-9711
- financialaid@wsu.edu

BURSAR'S OFFICE

- Paying your bill
- Refunds
- Student charges
- 529 Plans & GET accounts
- 509-335-9711 <u>option 9</u>
- bursar.office@wsu.edu

HOUSING & DINING

• On campus housing

hd.finance@wsu.edu

- RDA accounts
- Cougar Cash

REGISTRAR

- Residency changes
- Enrollment verification
- GI Bill
- Veteran's waivers & benefits

VETERAN

AFFAIRS

- 509-335-8625 509-335-5346
 - registrar@wsu.edu
- 509-335-1234
- veterans@wsu.edu



Student Financial Services



Visit our office:

Lighty Student Services Building, Room 380



https://financialaid.wsu.edu/

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT: in person or virtual/ video appointments available!



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UPCOMING EVENTS